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To require the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network to issue guidance on digital assets, and for other purposes.

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Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. GRAHAM) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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## A BILL

To require the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network to issue guidance on digital assets, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Digital Asset Anti-  
5 Money Laundering Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 (1) ANONYMITY ENHANCED  
8 CRYPTOCURRENCY.—The term “anonymity enhanced  
9 cryptocurrency” means a digital asset containing  
10 any feature that—

1 (A) prevents tracing through distributed  
2 ledgers; or

3 (B) conceals or obfuscates the origin, des-  
4 tination, and counterparties of digital asset  
5 transactions.

6 (2) DIGITAL ASSETS.—The term “digital asset”  
7 means an asset that is issued or transferred using  
8 a cryptographically secured distributed ledger,  
9 blockchain technology, or any other similar tech-  
10 nology.

11 (3) DIGITAL ASSETS KIOSK.—The term “digital  
12 assets kiosk” means a digital assets automated teller  
13 machine that facilitates the buying, selling, and ex-  
14 change of digital assets.

15 (4) DIGITAL ASSETS MIXER.—The term “digital  
16 assets mixer” means a website, software, or other  
17 service with features that conceal or obfuscate the  
18 origin, destination, or counterparties of digital asset  
19 transactions.

20 (5) FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term “fi-  
21 nancial institution” has the meaning given the term  
22 in section 5312(a) of title 31, United States Code.

23 (6) MONEY SERVICES BUSINESS.—The term  
24 “money services business” has the meaning given

1 the term in section 1010.100 of title 31, Code of  
2 Federal Regulations.

3 (7) UNHOSTED WALLET.—The term “unhosted  
4 wallet” means software or hardware that facilitates  
5 the storage of public and private keys used to  
6 digitally sign and securely transact digital assets,  
7 such that the stored value is the property of the wal-  
8 let owner and the wallet owner has total independent  
9 control over the value.

10 (8) VALIDATOR.—The term “validator” means  
11 a person or entity that—

12 (A) processes and validates, approves, or  
13 verifies transactions, or produces blocks of dig-  
14 ital asset transactions to be recorded on a cryp-  
15 tographically secured distributed ledger or any  
16 similar technology, as specified by the Secretary  
17 of the Treasury; and

18 (B) may perform other such services that  
19 may secure a digital assets kiosk network.

20 **SEC. 3. DIGITAL ASSET REQUIREMENTS.**

21 (a) DIGITAL ASSETS PARTICIPANTS DESIGNATION.—

22 (1) DEFINITION OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 5312(a)(2) of  
24 title 31, United States Code, as amended by  
25 section 6110(a)(1) of the Anti-Money Laun-

1           dering Act of 2020 (division F of Public Law  
2           116–283), is amended—

3                   (i) in subparagraph (Z), by striking  
4                   “or” at the end;

5                   (ii) by redesignating subparagraph  
6                   (AA) as subparagraph (BB); and

7                   (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
8                   (Z) the following:

9                   “(AA) Unhosted wallet providers, digital  
10                   asset miners, validators, or other nodes that  
11                   may act to validate or secure third-party trans-  
12                   actions, independent network participants (in-  
13                   cluding maximal extractable value searchers),  
14                   miner extractable value searchers, other  
15                   validators or network participants with control  
16                   over network protocols, or any other person fa-  
17                   cilitating or providing services related to the ex-  
18                   change, sale, custody, or lending of digital as-  
19                   sets that the Secretary shall prescribe by regu-  
20                   lation.”.

21                   (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments  
22                   made by subparagraph (A) shall take effect on  
23                   the day after the effective date of the final rules  
24                   issued by the Secretary of the Treasury pursu-  
25                   ant to section 6110(b) of the Anti-Money Laun-

1           dering Act of 2020 (division F of Public Law  
2           116–283).

3           (2) REGULATIONS.—

4                   (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
5           days after the date of enactment of this Act,  
6           the Secretary of the Treasury, through the Di-  
7           rector of the Financial Crimes Enforcement  
8           Network, shall promulgate regulations imposing  
9           requirements under subchapter II of chapter 53  
10          of title 31, United States Code, on financial in-  
11          stitutions described in subparagraph (AA) of  
12          section 5312(a)(2) of title 31, United States  
13          Code, as added by paragraph (1)(A) of this  
14          subsection.

15                  (B) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of the  
16          Treasury, through the Director of the Financial  
17          Crimes Enforcement Network, should consider  
18          for exemption from the regulations issued under  
19          subparagraph (A) assets—

20                          (i) issued or transferred using a cryp-  
21                          tographically secured distributed ledger,  
22                          blockchain technology, or any other similar  
23                          technology used solely for internal business  
24                          applications;

1                   (ii) not offered for sale, traded, or  
2                   otherwise converted to fiat currency or an-  
3                   other digital asset; or

4                   (iii) otherwise deemed to pose little il-  
5                   licit finance risk.

6                   (C) PERIODIC REVIEWS.—The Secretary of  
7                   the Treasury, through the Director of the Fi-  
8                   nancial Crimes Enforcement Network, shall  
9                   periodic reviews of the classifications under  
10                  paragraph (2).

11               (b) REGISTRATION RULES.—The Financial Crimes  
12               Enforcement Network has the authority to subject the en-  
13               tities described in subsection (a) to the registration rules  
14               under section 5330 of title 31, United States Code, and  
15               the foreign registration rules under section  
16               1022.380(a)(2) of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations.

17               (c) IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSED RULE.—Not  
18               later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act,  
19               the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network shall finalize  
20               the proposed virtual currency rule (85 Fed. Reg. 83840;  
21               relating to requirements for certain transactions involving  
22               convertible virtual currency or digital assets).

23               (d) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 18  
24               months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Finan-  
25               cial Crimes Enforcement Network shall promulgate regu-

1 lations that require United States persons with greater  
2 than \$10,000 in digital assets in 1 or more accounts out-  
3 side of the United States to file a report described in sec-  
4 tion 1010.350 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations,  
5 using the form described in that section, in accordance  
6 with section 5314 of title 31, United States Code.

7 (e) TREASURY REGULATIONS.—Not later than 18  
8 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
9 retary of the Treasury shall promulgate regulations that  
10 require financial institutions to establish controls to miti-  
11 gate illicit finance risks associated with—

12 (1) handling, using, or transacting business  
13 with digital asset mixers, anonymity enhanced  
14 cryptocurrency, and other anonymity-enhancing  
15 technologies, as specified by the Secretary; and

16 (2) handling, using, or transacting business  
17 with digital assets that have been anonymized by the  
18 technologies described in paragraph (1).

19 **SEC. 4. EXAMINATION AND REVIEW PROCESS.**

20 (a) TREASURY.—Not later than 2 years after the  
21 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treas-  
22 ury, in consultation with the Conference of State Bank  
23 Supervisors, shall establish a risk-focused examination and  
24 review process for digital assets participants designated as

1 financial institutions and money services businesses to as-  
2 sess—

3 (1) the adequacy of antimoney-laundering and  
4 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism programs and  
5 reporting obligations under subsections (g) and (h)  
6 of section 5318 of title 31, United States Code; and

7 (2) compliance with antimoney laundering and  
8 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism requirements  
9 under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United  
10 States Code.

11 (b) SEC.—Not later than 2 years after the date of  
12 enactment of this Act, the Securities and Exchange Com-  
13 mission, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treas-  
14 ury, shall establish a dedicated risk-focused examination  
15 and review process for entities regulated by the Commis-  
16 sion to assess—

17 (1) the adequacy of antimoney laundering and  
18 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism programs and  
19 reporting obligations under subsections (g) and (h)  
20 of section 5318 of title 31, United States Code; and

21 (2) compliance with antimoney laundering and  
22 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism requirements  
23 under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United  
24 States Code.



1 (c) CFTC.—Not later than 2 years after the date of  
2 enactment of this Act, the Commodity Futures Trading  
3 Commission, in consultation with the Secretary of the  
4 Treasury, shall establish a dedicated risk-focused exam-  
5 ination and review process for entities regulated by the  
6 Commission to assess—

7 (1) the adequacy of antimoney laundering and  
8 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism programs and  
9 reporting obligations under subsections (g) and (h)  
10 of section 5318 of title 31, United States Code; and

11 (2) compliance with antimoney laundering and  
12 countering-the-financing-of-terrorism requirements  
13 under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United  
14 States Code.

15 **SEC. 5. DIGITAL ASSETS KIOSKS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after  
17 the date of enactment of this Act, the Financial Crimes  
18 Enforcement Network shall require digital asset kiosks  
19 owners and administrators to submit and update the phys-  
20 ical addresses of the kiosks owned or operated by the  
21 owner or administrator every 90 days, as applicable.

22 (b) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 18 months after  
23 the date of enactment of this Act, the Financial Crimes  
24 Enforcement Network shall promulgate regulations re-  
25 quiring digital asset kiosk owners and administrators to—

1           (1) verify the identity of each customer using a  
2           valid form of government-issued identification or  
3           other documentary method, as determined by the  
4           Secretary of the Treasury; and

5           (2) collect the name and physical address of  
6           each counterparty to the transaction.

7           (c) REPORTS.—

8           (1) FINCEN.—Not later than 180 days after  
9           the date of enactment of this Act, the Financial  
10          Crimes Enforcement Network shall issue a report on  
11          digital assets kiosk networks operating as money  
12          services businesses that have not registered with the  
13          Financial Crimes Enforcement Network in violation  
14          of section 1022.380 of title 31, Code of Federal  
15          Regulations, that includes—

16                 (A) estimates of the number and locations  
17                 of suspected unlicensed operators, as applicable;  
18                 and

19                 (B) an assessment of any additional re-  
20                 sources the Financial Crimes Enforcement Net-  
21                 work determines to be necessary to investigate  
22                 the unlicensed digital asset kiosk networks.

23          (2) DEA.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
24          of enactment of this Act, the Drug Enforcement Ad-  
25          ministration shall, in consultation with other agen-

1       cies as appropriate, issue a report identifying rec-  
2       ommendations to reduce drug trafficking and money  
3       laundering associated with digital assets kiosks.

4 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

5       There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
6       retary of the Treasury such sums as are necessary to carry  
7       out this Act.

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