HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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Substitute for Original House Bill No. 386 by Representative Crews as proposed by the House Committee on Commerce

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To amend and reenact R.S. 6:341(A), relative to gold and silver as legal tender; to provide

for a gold-linked debit instrument; to provide for applicable regulations; and to

provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 6:341(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§341. Tender and acceptance of United States government gold and silver

A.(1) Any gold or silver coin, specie, or bullion issued by any state or the United States government as legal tender <u>or any gold-linked debit instrument that can</u> <u>convert gold in a depository to fiat currency</u> shall be recognized as legal tender in the state of Louisiana.

(2) Individuals or entities may transact, transmit, or exchange such gold or silver coin, specie, bullion, or gold-linked debit instrument by physical delivery, electronic means, or written instruction, subject to applicable Louisiana state money transmitter regulations.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to gold and silver currency.

<u>Present law</u> provides that any gold or silver coin, specie, or bullion issued by any state or the U.S. government as legal tender shall be recognized as legal tender in this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that any gold-backed debit card that can convert gold in a depository to fiat currency shall be recognized as legal tender in this state.

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that individuals or entities shall be authorized to transact, transmit, or exchange such gold or silver coin, specie, bullion, or gold-linked debit instrument by physical delivery, electronic means, or written instruction, subject to applicable La. state money transmitter regulations.

(Amends R.S. 6:341(A))