

force the transferable record shall provide reasonable proof that the person is in control of the transferable record. Proof may include access to the authoritative copy of the transferable record and related business records sufficient to review the terms of the transferable record and to establish the identity of the person having control of the transferable record.

**(g) UCC references**

For purposes of this subsection, all references to the Uniform Commercial Code are to the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the jurisdiction the law of which governs the transferable record.

(Pub. L. 106-229, title II, § 201, June 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 473.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 106-229, title II, § 202, June 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 475, provided that: "This title [enacting this subchapter] shall be effective 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act [June 30, 2000]."

SUBCHAPTER III—PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

**§ 7031. Principles governing the use of electronic signatures in international transactions**

**(a) Promotion of electronic signatures**

**(1) Required actions**

The Secretary of Commerce shall promote the acceptance and use, on an international basis, of electronic signatures in accordance with the principles specified in paragraph (2) and in a manner consistent with section 7001 of this title. The Secretary of Commerce shall take all actions necessary in a manner consistent with such principles to eliminate or reduce, to the maximum extent possible, the impediments to commerce in electronic signatures, for the purpose of facilitating the development of interstate and foreign commerce.

**(2) Principles**

The principles specified in this paragraph are the following:

(A) Remove paper-based obstacles to electronic transactions by adopting relevant principles from the Model Law on Electronic Commerce adopted in 1996 by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law.

(B) Permit parties to a transaction to determine the appropriate authentication technologies and implementation models for their transactions, with assurance that those technologies and implementation models will be recognized and enforced.

(C) Permit parties to a transaction to have the opportunity to prove in court or other proceedings that their authentication approaches and their transactions are valid.

(D) Take a nondiscriminatory approach to electronic signatures and authentication methods from other jurisdictions.

**(b) Consultation**

In conducting the activities required by this section, the Secretary shall consult with users and providers of electronic signature products and services and other interested persons.

**(c) Definitions**

As used in this section, the terms "electronic record" and "electronic signature" have the same meanings provided in section 7006 of this title.

(Pub. L. 106-229, title III, § 301, June 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 475.)

**CHAPTER 97—WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT**

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CODIFICATION

This chapter is comprised of title IV of Pub. L. 100-533, as added by Pub. L. 103-403, title IV, § 413, Oct. 22, 1994, 108 Stat. 4193, and amended. Title IV of Pub. L. 100-533 was formerly set out as a note under section 631 of this title.

**§ 7101. Establishment of the Interagency Committee**

There is established an interagency committee to be known as the Interagency Committee on Women's Business Enterprise.

(Pub. L. 100-533, title IV, § 401, as added Pub. L. 103-403, title IV, § 413, Oct. 22, 1994, 108 Stat. 4193.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 401 of Pub. L. 100-533, title IV, Oct. 25, 1988, 102 Stat. 2694, related to the establishment of the National Women's Business Council, prior to the general amendment of title IV of Pub. L. 100-533 by Pub. L. 103-403. See section 7105 of this title.

SHORT TITLE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-554, § 1(a)(9) [title VII, § 701], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-701, provided that: "This title [amending sections 7107, 7109, and 7110 of this title and repealing former section 7109 of this title] may be cited as the 'National Women's Business Council Reauthorization Act of 2000'."

EX. ORD. NO. 12138. NATIONAL WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE POLICY AND NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Ex. Ord. No. 12138, May 18, 1979, 44 F.R. 29637, as amended by Ex. Ord. No. 12608, Sept. 9, 1987, 52 F.R. 34617, provided:

In response to the findings of the Interagency Task Force on Women Business Owners and congressional findings that recognize:

1. the significant role which small business and women entrepreneurs can play in promoting full employment and balanced growth in our economy;
2. the many obstacles facing women entrepreneurs; and
3. the need to aid and stimulate women's business enterprise;

By the authority vested in me as President of the United States of America, in order to create a National Women's Business Enterprise Policy and to prescribe arrangements for developing, coordinating and imple-