

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5237



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. FOSTER, 57<sup>th</sup> Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING CRYPTOCURRENCY, PIG BUTCHERING SCAMS AND ASSET FORFEITURE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That titles 53a and 54 of the general statutes be amended to: (1) Define digital currency in the penal code as a monetary instrument in a manner that is consistent with banking definitions; (2) allow preconviction confiscation of digital wallets associated with theft in order to create a victims compensation fund; and (3) create a hearing process to allow due process that notices the alleged offender who is the holder of the digital wallet.

## Statement of Purpose:

To establish specific penal code and procedural provisions concerning crimes related to cryptocurrency and pig butchering scams.