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House Bill 5161

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Committee on Artificial Intelligence then Technology
and Infrastructure]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §31D-1-132, relating to creating a digital wallet to collect and organize
 3 certifications and licensures on the Secretary of State's one-stop business portal; defining
 4 responsibilities for maintenance; and defining what types of information can be stored in
 5 the digital wallet.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Part III. Secretary of State.

§31D-1-132. Digital Wallet.

1 (a) The Secretary of State, through administration of the one-stop business portal, shall
 2 create the online infrastructure for a digital wallet in which an individual's certifications and
 3 licensures may be stored.

4 (b) While the online infrastructure shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of State to
 5 create and maintain, it shall be the responsibility of the individual whose certifications and
 6 licensures are stored there to organize the credentials and to ensure their accuracy. When used
 7 correctly, the digital wallet will serve as a repository of all licensures and certifications in one spot
 8 for easy reference.

9 (c) In addition to certifications and licensures, all state and federal identification documents
 10 may be stored in the digital wallet.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create a digital wallet for certifications and licensures.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.