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Story 1: Industry News Galaxy May IPO Plans

- Galaxy Digital announces Nasdaq listing on May 16, 2025, transitioning from Toronto Stock Exchange to access U.S. markets.
- IPO reflects growing institutional confidence in crypto under pro-crypto U.S. administration.
- Move aims to expand blockchain services, signaling crypto's integration with traditional finance.

Story 2: Congress News Senate & Stablecoin Bill Challenges

- Nine Senate Democrats withdrew support for the GENIUS Act on May 3, citing inadequate consumer protections.
- The bipartisan bill lacks the seven
 Democratic votes needed despite Republican backing aligned with Trump's agenda.
- Democrats remain open to revisions, but time constraints threaten progress on stablecoin regulation.

Story 3: State News Arizona Gov Blocks BTC Reserve Bill

- Governor Katie Hobbs vetoed Senate Bill 1025 on May 2, blocking Arizona's potential state Bitcoin reserve.
- Veto cited risks to Bitcoin & crypto as "untested investments" for state funds, drawing criticism from pro-crypto advocates like Senator Rogers.
- Decision highlights ongoing skepticism about crypto volatility in public finance.

Story 4: International News UK Drafts US-aligned Crypto Laws

- UK released draft crypto laws on April 29 regulating exchanges and stablecoins under FCA oversight.
- Finance Minister Rachel Reeves announced regulatory alignment with the U.S. for a coordinated approach.
- Rules ban consumer borrowing for crypto and mandate transparency, balancing growth with consumer protection.

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