

## Blockchain & Digital Assets Newsletter *05.12.2025 - 05.18.2025*

# Story 1: Industry News Coinbase Files Cyberattack Disclosure

- Coinbase reported an insider cyber breach compromising customer personal data.
- Attackers bribed external contractors/employees for unauthorized system access.
- Coinbase refused ransom demands, terminated involved personnel, and cooperated with authorities.

## Story 2: Agency News SEC Publishes FAQ's Response

- SEC staff answers the FAQs previously published to clarify crypto and distributed ledger regulatory guidelines.
- New guidance aims to help broker-dealers and transfer agents understand securities law obligations.
- FAQs represent SEC staff views, not formal Commission-approved regulations.

# Story 3: State News Michigan; Digital Asset Day & BTC Reserve

- Michigan officially declared May 13 as "Digital Asset Awareness Day." with the adoption of Michigan House Resolution 100.
- Initiative promotes public education on cryptocurrency and blockchain technology.
- Michigan is aiming to align with the 30+ additional states currently exploring state-managed Bitcoin reserve strategies.

# Story 4: International News Singapore Approves Retail Tokenization

- Franklin Templeton received approval for Singapore's first retail tokenized money market fund.
- Fund allows investments starting at \$20, enhancing investor accessibility.
- Blockchain-based systems aim to improve transparency, security, and operational efficiency.

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