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To streamline the regulation of depository institutions, to safeguard confidential banking and credit union supervisory information, and for other purposes.

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Mrs. ROUKEMA (for herself and Mr. VENTO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

A BILL

- To streamline the regulation of depository institutions, to safeguard confidential banking and credit union supervisory information, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Depository Institution Regulatory Streamlining Act of6 1998".
- 7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
- 8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—IMPROVING MONETARY POLICY

- Sec. 101. Payment of interest on reserve balances at Federal reserve banks.
- Sec. 102. Amendments relating to savings and demand deposit accounts at depository institutions.
- Sec. 103. Transfer of Federal reserve surpluses.
- Sec. 104. Study of reserve ratios for deposit insurance funds.

TITLE II—IMPROVING DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Subtitle A—National Banks

- Sec. 201. Authority to allow more than 25 directors.
- Sec. 202. Loans on or purchases by institutions of their own stock.
- Sec. 203. Expedited procedures for certain reorganizations.

Subtitle B—Savings Associations

- Sec. 211. Noncontrolling investments by savings association holding companies.
- Sec. 212. Streamlining thrift service company investment requirements.
- Sec. 213. Repeal of dividend notice requirement.
- Sec. 214. Updating of authority for community development investments.

Subtitle C—Other Institutions

Sec. 221. Prohibition on accrual to insiders of economic benefits from credit union conversions.

TITLE III—STREAMLINING FEDERAL BANKING AGENCY RE-QUIREMENTS AND ELIMINATION OF UNNECESSARY OR OUT-DATED REQUIREMENTS

- Sec. 301. "Plain English" requirement for Federal banking agency rules.
- Sec. 302. Call report simplification.
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- Sec. 305. Elimination of outdated statutory minimum capital requirements.
- Sec. 306. Elimination of individual branch capital requirements.
- Sec. 307. Amendment to shareholder notice provisions relating to consolidations and mergers.
- Sec. 308. Payment of interest in receiverships with surplus funds.
- Sec. 309. Repeal of deposit broker notification and recordkeeping requirement.
- Sec. 310. Allowances for certain extensions of credit to executive officers.
- Sec. 311. Federal Reserve Act lending limits.
- Sec. 312. Repeal of Bank Holding Company Act provision limiting savings bank life insurance.

TITLE IV—DISCLOSURE SIMPLIFICATION

- Sec. 401. Alternative disclosure for variable rate, open-ended home secured credit.
- Sec. 402. Alternative compliance methods for advertising credit terms.

TITLE V—BANK EXAMINATION REPORT PRIVILEGE ACT

Sec. 501. Amendment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

Sec. 502. Amendment to Federal Credit Union Act.

TITLE VI—TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Sec. 601. Technical correction relating to deposit insurance funds. Sec. 602. Rules for continuation of deposit insurance for member banks converting charters. Sec. 603. Waiver of citizenship requirement for national bank directors. Sec. 604. Technical amendment to prohibition on Comptroller interests in national banks. Sec. 605. Applicability of limitation to prior investments. TITLE I—IMPROVING MONETARY 1 POLICY 2 3 SEC. 101. PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON RESERVE BALANCES 4 AT FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS. 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 19(b) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 461(b)) is amended by adding at 6 7 the end the following new paragraph: 8 "(12) EARNINGS ON RESERVES.— 9 "(A) IN GENERAL.—Balances maintained 10 at a Federal reserve bank by or on behalf of a 11 depository institution may receive earnings to 12 be paid by the Federal reserve bank at least 13 once each calendar quarter at a rate or rates 14 not to exceed the general level of short-term in-15 terest rates. 16 "(B) REGULATIONS RELATING TO PAY-17 MENTS AND DISTRIBUTION.—The Board may prescribe regulations concerning— 18 "(i) the payment of earnings in ac-19 20 cordance with this paragraph;

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1	"(ii) the distribution of such earnings
2	to the depository institutions which main-
3	tain balances at such banks or on whose
4	behalf such balances are maintained; and
5	"(iii) the responsibilities of depository
6	institutions, Federal home loan banks, and
7	the National Credit Union Administration
8	Central Liquidity Facility with respect to
9	the crediting and distribution of earnings
10	attributable to balances maintained, in ac-
11	cordance with subsection $(c)(1)(B)$, in a
12	Federal reserve bank by any such entity on
13	behalf of depository institutions which are
14	not member banks.".
15	(b) Authorization for Pass Through Reserves
16	FOR MEMBER BANKS.—Section 19(c)(1)(B) of the Fed-
17	eral Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. $461(c)(1)(B)$) is amended by
18	striking "which is not a member bank".
19	(c) Technical and Conforming Amendments.—
20	Section 19 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 461)
21	is amended—
22	(1) in subsection (b)(4) (12 U.S.C. $461(b)(4)$),
23	by striking subparagraph (C) and redesignating sub-
24	paragraphs (D) and (E) as subparagraphs (C) and
25	(D), respectively; and

1 (2)in subsection (c)(1)(A)(12)U.S.C. 461(c)(1)(A)), by striking "subsection (b)(4)(C)" 2 3 and inserting "subsection (b)". 4 SEC. 102. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO SAVINGS AND DE-5 MAND DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS AT DEPOSITORY 6 INSTITUTIONS. 7 (a) IMMEDIATE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF 8 INTERACCOUNT TRANSFERS ALLOWED EACH MONTH.— 9 Section 2 of Public Law 93–100 (12 U.S.C. 1832) is amended-10 11 (1) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as 12 subsections (c) and (d), respectively; and 13 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the follow-14 ing: "(b) INTERACCOUNT TRANSFERS.— 15 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other 16 17 provision of law, any depository institution may per-18 mit the owner of any deposit or account on which in-19 terest or dividends are paid to make up to 24 trans-20 fers per month, for any purpose, to another account 21 of the owner in the same institution. 22 "(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in 23 this subsection shall be construed to prevent an ac-24 count offered pursuant to this subsection from being 25 considered a transaction account (as defined in sec-

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1 tion 19(b) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 2 461(b)) for purposes of such Act.". 3 (b) Now Accounts Authorized for All Busi-4 NESSES AFTER 2001.— 5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective on the date pro-6 vided in paragraph (3), section 2 of Public Law 93– 7 100 (12 U.S.C. 1832(a)(2)) (as amended by sub-8 section (a) of this section) is amended to read as fol-9 lows: 10 "SEC. 2. WITHDRAWALS BY NEGOTIABLE OR TRANSFER-11 ABLE INSTRUMENTS FOR TRANSFERS TO 12 THIRD PARTIES. 13 "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any depository institution (as defined in section 3 of the Federal 14 15 Deposit Insurance Act) may permit the owner of any deposit or account to make withdrawals from such deposit 16 or account by negotiable or transferable instruments for 17 18 the purpose of making payments to third parties.". 19 (2) Repeal of prohibition on payment of 20 INTEREST ON DEMAND DEPOSITS.— (A) FEDERAL RESERVE ACT.—Section 19 21 22 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 371a) is 23 amended by striking subsection (i). (B) HOME OWNERS' LOAN ACT.—The 1st 24 25 sentence of section 5(b)(1)(B) of the Home

1	Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1464(b)(1)(B)) is
2	amended by striking "savings association may
3	not—" and all that follows through "(ii) permit
4	any" and inserting "savings association may
5	not permit any".
6	(C) Federal deposit insurance act.—
7	Section 18 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
8	Act (12 U.S.C. 1828) is amended by striking
9	subsection (g).
10	(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
11	by this subsection shall take effect on October 1,
12	2001.
13	SEC. 103. TRANSFER OF FEDERAL RESERVE SURPLUSES.
14	(a) Payments From Dividends and Surplus of
15	FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS.—Section 7(a)(3) of the Fed-
16	eral Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 289(3)) is amended by strik-
17	ing "fiscal years 1997 and 1998" and inserting "fiscal
18	years 1998 through 2003".
19	(b) Additional Transfers for Fiscal Years
20	1999 Through 2003.—
21	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the amounts
22	required to be transferred from the surplus funds of
23	the Federal reserve banks pursuant to section
24	7(a)(3) of the Federal Reserve Act and section
25	3002(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act

1	of 1993, the Federal reserve banks shall transfer
2	from such surplus funds to the Board of Governors
3	of the Federal Reserve System for transfer to the
4	Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the general
5	fund of the Treasury, such sums as are necessary to
6	equal the net cost of section 101, as estimated by
7	the Office of Management and Budget.
8	(2) Allocation by Fed.—Of the total amount
9	required to be paid by the Federal reserve banks
10	under paragraph (1) for fiscal years 1999 through
11	2003, the Board of Governors of the Federal Re-
12	serve System shall determine the amount each such
13	bank shall pay in such fiscal year.
14	(3) Replenishment of surplus fund pro-
15	HIBITED.—No Federal reserve bank may replenish
16	such bank's surplus fund by the amount of any
17	transfer by such bank under paragraph (1) during
18	the fiscal year for which such transfer is made.
19	SEC. 104. STUDY OF RESERVE RATIOS FOR DEPOSIT INSUR-
20	ANCE FUNDS.
21	(a) REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION.—The Board of
22	Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
23	in consultation with the Board of Governors of the Federal
24	Reserve System and the Secretary of the Treasury, shall—

1	(1) conduct a study of the adequacy of the de-
2	posit insurance funds, taking into account—
3	(A) expected operating expenses, case reso-
4	lution expenditures and income, and the effect
5	of assessments on members' earnings and cap-
6	ital;
7	(B) historical failure rates and loss experi-
8	ence;
9	(C) recent changes in the law, including
10	statutory changes requiring prompt corrective
11	action, least-cost resolutions, and risk-based as-
12	sessment systems;
13	(D) the income of such funds from invest-
14	ments;
15	(E) the potential implication of the Year
16	2000 computer problem (as defined in section
17	2(b)(5) of the Examination Parity and Year
18	2000 Readiness for Financial Institutions Act)
19	and industry consolidation; and
20	(F) the historical experience of the Cor-
21	poration in providing rebates or credits from
22	any deposit insurance fund; and
23	(2) recommend to the Congress—
24	(A) an appropriate range of reserve ratios
25	between the net worth of any deposit insurance

1	fund and the aggregate amount of insured de-
2	posits insured by such fund; and
3	(B) an appropriate mechanism for rebating
4	or providing credit from any deposit insurance
5	fund when the balance of the fund exceeds any
6	applicable reserve ratio.
7	(b) Report Required.—The Board of Directors of
8	the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in consulta-
9	tion with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve
10	System and the Secretary of the Treasury, shall submit
11	a report to the Congress before June 30, 1999, contain-
12	ing—
13	(1) the findings and conclusions of the study re-
14	quired under subsection $(a)(1)$; and
15	(2) the recommendations required under sub-
16	section $(a)(2)$.
17	TITLE II—IMPROVING DEPOSI-
18	TORY INSTITUTION MANAGE-
19	MENT PRACTICES
20	Subtitle A—National Banks
21	SEC. 201. AUTHORITY TO ALLOW MORE THAN 25 DIREC-
22	TORS.
23	Section 31 of the Banking Act of 1933 (12 U.S.C.
24	71a) is amended in the first sentence, by inserting before
25	the period ", except that the Comptroller of the Currency

1 may, by regulation or order, exempt a national banking
2 association from the 25-member limit established by this
3 section".

4 SEC. 202. LOANS ON OR PURCHASES BY INSTITUTIONS OF 5 THEIR OWN STOCK.

6 (a) AMENDMENT TO REVISED STATUTES.—Section
7 5201 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (12
8 U.S.C. 83) is amended to read as follows:

9 "SEC. 5201. LOANS BY BANK ON ITS OWN STOCK.

10 "(a) GENERAL PROHIBITION.—No national banking
11 association shall make any loan or discount on the security
12 of the shares of its own capital stock.

13 "(b) EXCLUSION.—For purposes of this section, an 14 association shall not be deemed to be making a loan or 15 discount on the security of the shares of its own capital 16 stock if it acquires the stock to prevent loss upon a debt 17 contracted for in good faith.".

(b) AMENDMENT TO FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE
ACT.—Section 18 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
(12 U.S.C. 1828) is amended by adding at the end the
following new subsection:

22 "(t) LOANS BY INSURED INSTITUTIONS ON THEIR23 OWN STOCK.—

1 "(1) GENERAL PROHIBITION.—No insured de-2 pository institution shall make any loan or discount 3 on the security of the shares of its own capital stock. "(2) EXCLUSION.—For purposes of this sub-4 section, an insured depository institution shall not be 5 6 deemed to be making a loan or discount on the secu-7 rity of the shares of its own capital stock if it ac-8 quires the stock to prevent loss upon a debt con-9 tracted for in good faith.". SEC. 203. EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN REORGA-10 11 NIZATIONS. 12 The National Bank Consolidation and Merger Act (12 U.S.C. 215 et seq.) is amended— 13 14 (1) by redesignating section 5 as section 7; and 15 (2) by inserting after section 4 the following 16 new section: 17 "SEC. 5. EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN REORGA-18 NIZATIONS. 19 "(a) IN GENERAL.—A national bank may, with the 20approval of the Comptroller, pursuant to regulations pre-21 scribed by the Comptroller, and upon the affirmative vote 22 of the shareholders of such bank owning at least two-23 thirds of the outstanding capital stock of such bank, reor-

24 ganize so as to become a subsidiary of a bank holding com-

1	pany or a company that will, upon consummation of such
2	reorganization, become a bank holding company.
3	"(b) Reorganization Plan.—A reorganization au-
4	thorized under subsection (a) shall be carried out in ac-
5	cordance with a reorganization plan that—
6	"(1) specifies the manner in which the reorga-
7	nization shall be carried out;
8	"(2) is approved by a majority of the entire
9	board of directors of the bank;
10	"(3) specifies—
11	"(A) the amount of cash or securities of
12	the bank holding company, or both, or other
13	consideration, to be paid to the shareholders of
14	the reorganizing bank in exchange for their
15	shares of stock of the bank;
16	"(B) the date as of which the rights of
17	each shareholder to participate in such ex-
18	change will be determined; and
19	"(C) the manner in which the exchange
20	will be carried out; and
21	"(4) is submitted to the shareholders of the re-
22	organizing bank at a meeting to be held on the call
23	of the directors in accordance with the procedures
24	prescribed in connection with a merger of a national
25	bank under section 3.

"(c) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER CRITERIA.—In con sidering a reorganization plan under this section, the
 Comptroller shall—

4 "(1) require the national bank to provide notice
5 to the public in accordance with section 18(c)(3) of
6 the Federal Deposit Insurance Act; and

"(2) apply the same standards and the same
criteria as are applicable to a transaction under section 18(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act,
other than the requirements of paragraphs (4) and
(6) of such section.

"(d) RIGHTS OF DISSENTING SHAREHOLDERS.-If, 12 13 pursuant to this section, a reorganization plan has been approved by the shareholders and the Comptroller, any 14 15 shareholder of the national bank who has voted against the reorganization at the meeting referred to in subsection 16 (b)(4), or has given notice in writing at or before that 17 meeting to the presiding officer that the shareholder dis-18 sents from the reorganization plan, shall be entitled to re-19 ceive the value of the shares of the shareholder, as pro-20 21 vided by section 3 for the merger of a national bank.

"(e) EFFECT OF REORGANIZATION.—The corporate
existence of a national bank that reorganizes in accordance with this section shall not be deemed to have been
affected in any way by reason of such reorganization.

1 "(f) Approval Under the Bank Holding Com-PANY ACT OF 1956.—Notwithstanding the preceding pro-2 3 visions of this section, it shall be unlawful for any action 4 to be taken that causes any company to become a bank 5 holding company or any bank to become a subsidiary of a bank holding company, except with the prior approval 6 7 of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System 8 pursuant to section 3 of the Bank Holding Company Act 9 of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1842).". Subtitle B—Savings Associations 10 SEC. 211. NONCONTROLLING INVESTMENTS BY SAVINGS 11 12 ASSOCIATION HOLDING COMPANIES. 13 Section 10(e)(1)(A)(iii) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1467a(e)(1)(A)(iii) is amended— 14 (1) by inserting ", except with the prior written 15 approval of the Director," after "or to retain"; 16 17 (2) by striking "subsidiary, or in" and inserting 18 "subsidiary. In"; and 19 (3) by striking "to so acquire or retain" and in-20 serting "it shall be unlawful, and the Director may 21 not authorize such a company, to acquire or retain". 22 SEC. 212. STREAMLINING SAVINGS ASSOCIATION SERVICE 23 COMPANY INVESTMENT REQUIREMENTS. 24 Section 5(c)(4)(B) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1464(c)(4)(B)) is amended— 25

1	(1) in the subparagraph heading, by striking
2	"CORPORATIONS" and inserting "COMPANIES"; and
3	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "corpora-
4	tion organized" and all that follows through "such
5	State." and inserting "company organized under the
6	laws of any State, if such company's entire capital
7	stock is available for purchase only by savings asso-
8	ciations. For purposes of this subparagraph, the
9	term 'company' includes any corporation and any
10	limited liability company (as defined in section
11	1(b)(7) of the Bank Service Company Act).".
12	SEC. 213. REPEAL OF DIVIDEND NOTICE REQUIREMENT.
13	Section 10(f) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12
14	U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows:
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15	U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].".
15 16	U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows:"(f) [Repealed].".SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE-
15 16 17	 U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].". SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE- VELOPMENT INVESTMENTS.
15 16 17 18	 U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].". SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE- VELOPMENT INVESTMENTS. Section 5(c) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12)
15 16 17 18 19	 U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].". SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE- VELOPMENT INVESTMENTS. Section 5(c) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12) U.S.C. 1464(c)) is amended—
15 16 17 18 19 20	 U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].". SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE- VELOPMENT INVESTMENTS. Section 5(c) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1464(c)) is amended— (1) in paragraph (3), by striking subparagraph
 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	 U.S.C. 1467a(f)) is amended to read as follows: "(f) [Repealed].". SEC. 214. UPDATING OF AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY DE- VELOPMENT INVESTMENTS. Section 5(c) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1464(c)) is amended— (1) in paragraph (3), by striking subparagraph (A) and redesignating subparagraphs (B) and (C) as

1 "(7) Community development invest-2 ments.—

3 "(A) IN GENERAL.—Investments in real 4 property and obligations secured by liens on 5 real property for the primary purpose of pro-6 moting the public welfare, including the welfare 7 of low- and moderate-income communities or 8 families (including the provision of housing, 9 services, or jobs), are permitted, subject to sub-10 paragraph (B).

11 "(B) LIMITATIONS.—The aggregate 12 amount of investments of a savings association 13 under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed the 14 sum of 5 percent of the savings association's 15 capital stock actually paid in and unimpaired and 5 percent of the savings association's 16 17 unimpaired surplus fund, unless the Director 18 determines by order that a higher amount will 19 pose no significant risk to the affected deposit 20 insurance fund, and that the savings association 21 is adequately capitalized, in which case the ag-22 gregate amount of such investments shall not 23 exceed an amount equal to the sum of 10 per-24 cent of the savings association's capital stock 25 actually paid in and unimpaired and 10 percent

1 of the savings association's unimpaired surplus 2 fund.". Subtitle C—Other Institutions 3 SEC. 221. PROHIBITION ON ACCRUAL TO INSIDERS OF ECO-4 5 NOMIC BENEFITS FROM CREDIT UNION CON-6 VERSIONS. 7 Section 18 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 8 U.S.C. 1828) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection: 9 10 "(t) PROHIBITION ON ECONOMIC BENEFIT FROM CONVERSION FOR CREDIT UNION OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, 11 AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.— 12 13 "(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual who is or, at 14 any time during the 5-year period preceding any 15 conversion described in paragraph (2), was a direc-16 tor, committee member, or senior management offi-17 cial of an insured credit union described in subpara-18 graph (A) or (B) of such paragraph (in connection 19 with such conversion) may not receive any economic 20 benefit as a result of the conversion with regard to 21 the shares or interests of such director, member, or 22 officer in the former insured credit union or in any 23 resulting insured depository institution.

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1	"(2) Covered conversions.—The following
2	conversions are described in this paragraph for pur-
3	poses of paragraph (1):
4	"(A) The conversion of an insured credit
5	union into an insured depository institution.
6	"(B) The conversion from the mutual form
7	to the stock form of an insured depository insti-
8	tution which resulted from a prior conversion of
9	an insured credit union into such insured de-
10	pository institution.
11	"(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
12	section, the following definitions shall apply:
13	"(A) INSURED CREDIT UNION.—The term
14	'insured credit union' has the meaning given to
15	such term in section $101(7)$ of the Federal
16	Credit Union Act.
17	"(B) SENIOR MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL
18	The term 'senior management official' means a
19	chief executive officer, an assistant chief execu-
20	tive officer, a chief financial officer, and any
21	other senior executive officer (as defined by the
22	appropriate Federal banking agency pursuant
23	to section $32(f)$).".

1 TITLE III—STREAMLINING FED 2 ERAL BANKING AGENCY RE 3 QUIREMENTS AND ELIMI 4 NATION OF UNNECESSARY OR 5 OUTDATED REQUIREMENTS 6 SEC. 301. "PLAIN ENGLISH" REQUIREMENT FOR FEDERAL

BANKING AGENCY RULES.

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8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each Federal banking agency
9 shall use plain English in all proposed and final
10 rulemakings published by the agency in the Federal Reg11 ister after January 1, 1999.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than June 1, 2000, each
Federal banking agency shall submit to the Congress a
report that describes how the agency has complied with
subsection (a).

16 (c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section and 17 section 302, the terms "Federal banking agency" and 18 "State bank supervisor" have the meanings given such 19 terms in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

20 SEC. 302. CALL REPORT SIMPLIFICATION.

(a) MODERNIZATION OF CALL REPORT FILING AND
DISCLOSURE SYSTEM.—In order to reduce the administrative requirements pertaining to bank reports of condition, savings association financial reports, and bank holding company consolidated and parent-only financial state-

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1	ments, and to improve the timeliness of such reports and
2	statements, the Federal banking agencies (after consulting
3	with State bank supervisors) shall—
4	(1) work jointly to develop a system under
5	which—
6	(A) insured depository institutions and
7	their affiliates may file such reports and state-
8	ments electronically; and
9	(B) the Federal banking agencies may
10	make such reports and statements available to
11	the public electronically; and
12	(2) not later than July 1, 2000, report to the
13	Congress and make recommendations for legislation
14	that would enhance efficiency for filers and users of
15	such reports and statements.
16	(b) Uniform Reports and Simplification of In-
17	STRUCTIONS.—The Federal banking agencies (after con-
18	sulting with State bank supervisors) shall, consistent with
19	the principles of safety and soundness, work jointly—
20	(1) to adopt a single form for the filing of core
21	information required to be submitted under Federal
22	law to all such agencies in the reports and state-
23	ments referred to in subsection (a); and
24	(2) to simplify instructions accompanying such
25	reports and statements and to provide an index to

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1	the instructions that is adequate to meet the needs
2	of both filers and users.
3	(c) REVIEW OF CALL REPORT SCHEDULE.—Each
4	Federal banking agency (after consulting with State bank
5	supervisors) shall—
6	(1) review the information required by sched-
7	ules supplementing the core information referred to
8	in subsection (b); and
9	(2) eliminate requirements that are not war-
10	ranted for reasons of safety and soundness or other
11	public purposes.
12	SEC. 303. PURCHASED MORTGAGE SERVICE RIGHTS.
13	Section 475 of the Federal Depository Insurance Con
15	Section 475 of the Federal Depository Insurance Cor-
13	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note)
14	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note)
14 15	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended—
14 15 16	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended— (1) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting "(or such
14 15 16 17	<pre>poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended—</pre>
14 15 16 17 18	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended— (1) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting "(or such other percentage exceeding 90 percent but not ex- ceeding 100 percent, as may be determined under
14 15 16 17 18 19	<pre>poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended—</pre>
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended— (1) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting "(or such other percentage exceeding 90 percent but not ex- ceeding 100 percent, as may be determined under subsection (b))" after "90 percent"; and (2) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	 poration Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1828 note) is amended— (1) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting "(or such other percentage exceeding 90 percent but not exceeding 100 percent, as may be determined under subsection (b))" after "90 percent"; and (2) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively, and by insert-

1 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsection 2 (a)(1), the appropriate Federal banking agencies 3 may allow readily marketable purchased mortgage 4 servicing rights to be valued at more than 90 per-5 cent of their fair market value but at not more than 6 100 percent of such value, if such agencies jointly make a finding before the end of the 180-day period 7 8 beginning on the date of the enactment of the De-9 pository Institution Regulatory Streamlining Act of 10 1998 that such valuation would not have an adverse 11 affect on the deposit insurance funds or the safety 12 and soundness of insured depository institutions. 13 JOINT RULEMAKING.—Any regulations (2)14 prescribed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be pre-15 scribed jointly by the Federal banking agencies.". SEC. 304. JUDICIAL REVIEW OF RECEIVERSHIP APPOINT-16 17 MENTS. 18 (a) APPOINTMENT FOR NATIONAL BANK.—Section 2 19 of the National Bank Receivership Act (12 U.S.C. 191) 20 is amended— (1) by inserting "(a) APPOINTMENT OF RE-21 CEIVER.—" before "The Comptroller"; and 22 23 (2) by adding at the end the following new subsection: 24

1 "(b) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Within 30 days after the 2 appointment under subsection (a) of a receiver for a na-3 tional bank, the national bank may bring an action in the 4 United States district court for the judicial district in 5 which the home office of the bank is located, or in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, 6 7 for an order requiring the Comptroller to remove the re-8 ceiver, and the court shall, on the merits, dismiss the ac-9 tion or direct the Comptroller to remove the receiver.". (b) APPOINTMENT OF FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSUR-10 ANCE CORPORATION.—Section 11(c)(7) of the Federal 11 Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1811(c)(7)) is amended 12 13 to read as follows:

14 "(7) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Within 30 days after 15 the Corporation is appointed as conservator or re-16 ceiver for an insured depository institution under 17 paragraph (4), (9), or (10), the institution may 18 bring an action in the United States district court 19 for the judicial district in which the home office of 20 the institution is located, or in the United States 21 District Court for the District of Columbia, for an 22 order requiring the Corporation to be removed as 23 the conservator or receiver, and the court shall, on 24 the merits, dismiss the action or direct the Corpora-25 tion to be removed as the conservator or receiver.".

1	SEC. 305. ELIMINATION OF OUTDATED STATUTORY MINI-
2	MUM CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS.
3	Section 5138 of the Revised Statutes of the United
4	States (12 U.S.C. 51) is repealed.
5	SEC. 306. ELIMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL BRANCH CAPITAL
6	REQUIREMENTS.
7	Section 5155(c) of the Revised Statutes of the United
8	States (12 U.S.C. 36(c)) is amended—
9	(1) in the second sentence, by striking ", with-
10	out regard to the capital requirements of this sec-
11	tion,"; and
12	(2) by striking the third sentence.
13	SEC. 307. AMENDMENT TO SHAREHOLDER NOTICE PROVI-
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registered" each place it appears.

1	SEC. 308. PAYMENT OF INTEREST IN RECEIVERSHIPS WITH
2	SURPLUS FUNDS.
3	Section 11(d)(10) of the Federal Deposit Insurance
4	Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(d)(10)) is amended by adding at the
5	end the following new subparagraph:
6	"(C) RULEMAKING AUTHORITY OF COR-
7	PORATION.—The Corporation may prescribe
8	such rules, including definitions of terms, as it
9	deems appropriate to establish the interest rate
10	for or to make payments of postinsolvency in-
11	terest to creditors holding proven claims against
12	the receivership estates of insured Federal or
13	State depository institutions following satisfac-
14	tion by the receiver of the principal amount of
15	all creditor claims.".
16	SEC. 309. REPEAL OF DEPOSIT BROKER NOTIFICATION AND
17	RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENT.
18	Section 29A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
19	(12 U.S.C. 1831f–1) is repealed.
20	SEC. 310. ALLOWANCES FOR CERTAIN EXTENSIONS OF
21	CREDIT TO EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.
22	Section 22(g) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C.
23	375a) is amended—
24	(1) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through
25	(10) as paragraphs (8) through (12) , respectively;
26	and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the follow ing new paragraphs:

3 "(6) A member bank may extend to any execu-4 tive officer of the bank a home equity line of credit 5 which does not exceed \$100,000 and is secured by 6 a first lien on the primary residence of the executive 7 officer, to the extent that the aggregate amount of 8 such lien and all other outstanding extensions of 9 credit secured by liens on such primary residence 10 does not exceed the appraised value of such resi-11 dence.

12 "(7) A member bank may extend credit to any
13 executive officer of the bank in an amount not to ex14 ceed the greater of—

"(A) the amount which is the lesser of 2.5
percent of the aggregate amount of capital and
unimpaired surplus of the bank or \$100,000; or
"(B) \$25,000,

if, at the time the credit is extended, the extension
of credit is secured by readily marketable assets that
have a fair market value of not less than twice the
amount of credit extended.".

23 SEC. 311. FEDERAL RESERVE ACT LENDING LIMITS.

24 Section 11(m) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C.
25 248(m)) is amended to read as follows:

1 "(m) [Repealed].".

2 SEC. 312. REPEAL OF BANK HOLDING COMPANY ACT PRO-3 VISION LIMITING SAVINGS BANK LIFE INSUR-4 ANCE. 5 Section 3(f) of the Bank Holding Company Act of 6 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1842(f)) is amended to read as follows: 7 "(f) [Repealed].". TITLE IV—DISCLOSURE 8 SIMPLIFICATION 9 10 SEC. 401. ALTERNATIVE DISCLOSURE FOR VARIABLE RATE, 11 **OPEN-ENDED HOME SECURED CREDIT.** 12 Section 127A(a)(2)(G) of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1637a) is amended by inserting "or, at the 13 option of the creditor, a statement that periodic payments 14 15 may substantially increase or decrease" before the semi-16 colon. 17 SEC. 402. ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE METHODS FOR AD-18 VERTISING CREDIT TERMS. 19 (a) DOWNPAYMENT AMOUNTS.—Section 144(d) of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1664(d)) is amend-20 21 ed— 22 (1) by striking "or the number of installments 23 or the period of repayment, then"; and (2) by inserting "or" before "the dollar". 24

(b) ALTERNATIVE DISCLOSURES.—Chapter 3 of the
 Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1661 et seq.) is amended
 by adding at the end the following new section:

4 "SEC. 148. ALTERNATIVE DISCLOSURES.

5 "(a) IN GENERAL.—A radio or television advertise-6 ment to aid, promote, or assist, directly or indirectly, any 7 extension of consumer credit may satisfy the disclosure re-8 quirements in sections 143, 144(d), 147(a), or 147(e), by 9 complying with all of the requirements in subsections (b) 10 and (c) of this section.

11 "(b) INFORMATION TO BE DISCLOSED.—A radio or 12 television advertisement referred to in subsection (a) com-13 plies with this subsection if it clearly and conspicuously 14 sets forth, in such form and manner as the Board may 15 require—

"(1) the annual percentage rate of any finance
charge, and with respect to an open-end credit plan,
the simple interest rate or the periodic rate in addition to the annual percentage rate;

20 "(2) whether the interest rate may vary;

"(3) if the advertisement states an introductory
rate (or states with respect to a variable-rate plan
an initial rate that is not based on the index and
margin used to make later rate adjustments)—

1	"(A) with equal prominence, the annual
2	percentage rate that will be in effect after the
3	introductory or initial rate period expires (or
4	for a variable-rate plan, a reasonably current
5	annual percentage rate that would have been in
6	effect using the index and margin); and
7	"(B) the period during which the introduc-
8	tory or initial rate will remain in effect;
9	"(4) the amount of any annual fee for an open-
10	end credit plan;
11	"(5) a telephone number established in accord-
12	ance with subsection (c) that may be used by con-
13	sumers to obtain all of the information otherwise re-
14	quired to be disclosed pursuant to sections 143 and
15	144(d), and subsections (a) and (e) of section 147 ;
16	and
17	"(6) a statement that the consumer may use
18	the telephone number established in accordance with
19	subsection (c) to obtain further details about addi-
20	tional terms and costs associated with the offer of
21	credit.
22	"(c) Requirements for Telephone Numbers.—
23	In the case of an advertisement described in subsection
24	(b) that refers to a telephone number—

1	((1) the creditor shall establish the telephone
2	number for a broadcast area not later than the date
3	on which the advertisement is first broadcast in that
4	area;
5	((2) the required information shall be available
6	by telephone for a broadcast area for a period of not
7	less than 10 days following the date of the final
8	broadcast of the advertisement in that area;
9	"(3) the creditor shall provide all of the infor-
10	mation that is otherwise required pursuant to sec-
11	tions 143 and $144(d)$, and subsections (a) and (e)
12	of section 147 orally by telephone or, if requested by
13	the consumer, in written form; and
14	"(4) the consumer shall obtain the required in-
15	formation by telephone without incurring any long-
16	distance charges.".
17	TITLE V—BANK EXAMINATION
18	REPORT PRIVILEGE ACT
19	SEC. 501. AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSUR-
20	ANCE ACT.
21	The Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1811
22	et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following
23	new section:

1	"SEC. 45. BANK SUPERVISORY PRIVILEGE.
2	"(a) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the
3	following definitions shall apply:
4	"(1) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term 'de-
5	pository institution' includes—
6	"(A) any institution which is treated in the
7	same manner as an insured depository institu-
8	tion under paragraph (3) , (4) , (5) , or (9) of
9	section 8(b); and
10	"(B) any subsidiary or other affiliate of an
11	insured depository institution or an institution
12	described in subparagraph (A).
13	"(2) SUPERVISORY PROCESS.—The term 'su-
14	pervisory process' means any activity engaged in by
15	a Federal banking agency to carry out the official
16	responsibilities of the agency with regard to the reg-
17	ulation or supervision of depository institutions.
18	"(3) Confidential supervisory informa-
19	TION.—The term 'confidential supervisory informa-
20	tion' means any of the following information, or any
21	portion of any such information, which is treated as,
22	or considered to be, confidential information by a
23	Federal banking agency, regardless of the medium
24	in which the information is conveyed or stored:
25	"(A) Any report of examination, inspec-
26	tion, visitation, or investigation, and informa-

1	tion prepared or collected by a Federal banking
2	agency in connection with the supervisory proc-
3	ess, including any computer file, work paper, or
4	similar document.
5	"(B) Any correspondence of communica-
6	tion from a Federal banking agency to a deposi-
7	tory institution arising from or relating to an
8	examination, inspection, visitation, or investiga-
9	tion by a Federal banking agency.
10	"(C) Any correspondence, communication,
11	or document, including any compliance and
12	other reports, created by a depository institu-
13	tion in response to any request, inquiry, or di-
14	rective from a Federal banking agency in con-
15	nection with any examination, inspection, visita-
16	tion, or investigation and provided to a Federal
17	banking agency, other than any book or record
18	in the possession of the depository institution
19	routinely prepared by the depository institution
20	and maintained in the ordinary course of busi-
21	ness or any information required to be made
22	publicly available by any Federal law or regula-
23	tion.
24	"(D) Any record of a Federal banking

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1	rived from any report, correspondence, commu-
2	nication or other information described in sub-
3	paragraph (A), (B), or (C).
4	"(b) Bank Supervisory Privilege.—
5	"(1) Privilege established.—
6	"(A) IN GENERAL.—All confidential super-
7	visory information shall be the property of the
8	Federal banking agency that created or re-
9	quested the information and shall be privileged
10	from disclosure to any other person.
11	"(B) PROHIBITION ON UNAUTHORIZED
12	DISCLOSURES.—No person in possession of con-
13	fidential supervisory information may disclose
14	such information, in whole or in part, without
15	the prior authorization of the Federal banking
16	agency that created or requested the informa-
17	tion, except for a disclosure made in published
18	statistical material that does not disclose, either
19	directly or when used in conjunction with pub-
20	licly available information, the affairs of any
21	person.
22	"(C) AGENCY WAIVER.—The Federal
23	banking agency may waive, in whole or in part,
24	in the discretion of the agency, any privilege es-
25	tablished under this paragraph.

"(2) EXCEPTION.—No provision of paragraph
 (1) shall be construed as preventing access to con fidential supervisory information by duly authorized
 committees of the United States Congress or the
 Comptroller General of the United States.

6 "(c) TREATMENT OF STATE AND FOREIGN SUPER-7 VISORY INFORMATION.—In any proceeding before a court 8 of the United States, in which a person seeks to compel 9 production or disclosure by a State bank supervisor, for-10 eign bank regulatory or supervisory authority, Federal banking agency, or other person, of information or a docu-11 12 ment prepared or collected by a State bank supervisor or 13 foreign bank regulatory or supervisory authority that would, had they been prepared or collected by a Federal 14 15 banking agency, be confidential supervisory information for purposes of this section, the information or document 16 17 shall be privileged to the same extent that the information 18 and documents of Federal banking agencies are privileged under this Act. 19

"(d) OTHER PRIVILEGES NOT WAIVED BY DISCLOSURE TO BANKING AGENCY.—The submission by a depository institution of any information to a Federal banking
agency, a State bank supervisor, or a foreign banking authority for any purpose in the course of the supervisory
process of such agency or supervisor shall not be construed

as waiving, destroying, or otherwise affecting any privilege
 such institution may claim with respect to such informa tion under Federal or State law.

4 "(e) DISCOVERY AND DISCLOSURE OF INFORMA-5 TION.—

6 "(1) INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLY FROM
7 BANKING AGENCY.—

8 "(A) IN GENERAL.—A person seeking dis-9 covery or disclosure, in whole or in part, of con-10 fidential supervisory information may not seek 11 to obtain such information through subpoena, 12 discovery procedures, or other process from any 13 person, except that such information may be 14 sought in accordance with this section from the 15 Federal banking agency that created or re-16 quested the information.

17 "(B) Requests submitted to banking 18 AGENCY.—Any request for discovery or disclo-19 sure of confidential supervisory information 20 shall be made to the Federal banking agency 21 that created or requested the information, 22 which shall determine within a reasonable time 23 period whether to disclose such information 24 pursuant to procedures and criteria established 25 in regulations.

1 "(2) Exclusive federal court jurisdic-2 TION OVER DISPUTES.— "(A) IN GENERAL.—Federal courts shall 3 4 have exclusive jurisdiction over actions or pro-5 ceedings in which any party seeks to compel 6 disclosure of confidential supervisory informa-7 tion. "(B) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Judicial review 8 9 of the final action of a Federal banking agency 10 with regard to the disposition of a request for

confidential supervisory information shall be before a district court of the United States of
competent jurisdiction, subject to chapter 7 of
part I of title 5, United States Code.

15 "(C) RIGHT TO APPEAL.—Any court order
16 that compels production of confidential super17 visory information may be immediately appealed
18 by the Federal banking agency and the order
19 compelling production shall be automatically
20 stayed, pending the outcome of such appeal.

21 "(f) SUBPOENAS.—

"(1) AUTHORITY TO INTERVENE.—In the case
of any action or proceeding to compel compliance
with a subpoena, order, discovery request, or other
judicial or administrative process with respect to any

1	confidential supervisory information relating to any
2	depository institution, a Federal banking agency and
3	the depository institution may intervene in such ac-
4	tion or proceeding for the purpose of—
5	"(A) enforcing the limitations established
6	in paragraph (1) of subsections (b) and (e);
7	"(B) seeking the withdrawal of any com-
8	pulsory process with respect to such informa-
9	tion; and
10	"(C) registering appropriate objections
11	with respect to the action or proceeding to the
12	extent the action or proceeding relates to or in-
13	volves such information.
14	"(2) RIGHT TO APPEAL.—Any court order that
15	compels production of confidential supervisory infor-
16	mation may be immediately appealed by the Federal
17	banking agency and the order compelling production
18	shall be automatically stayed, pending the outcome
19	of such appeal.
20	"(g) Regulations.—
21	"(1) AUTHORITY TO PRESCRIBE.—Each Fed-
22	eral banking agency may prescribe such regulations
23	as the agency considers to be appropriate, after con-
24	sultation with the other Federal banking agencies

1	and the National Credit Union Administration
2	Board, to carry out the purposes of this section.
3	"(2) AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE NOTICE.—Any
4	regulations prescribed by a Federal banking agency
5	under paragraph (1) may require any person in pos-
6	session of confidential supervisory information to no-
7	tify the Federal banking agency whenever the person
8	is served with a subpoena, order, discovery request,
9	or other judicial or administrative process requiring
10	the personal attendance of such person as a witness
11	or requiring the production of such information in
12	any proceeding.
13	"(h) Access in Accordance With Regulations
14	AND ORDERS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
15	this section, the Federal banking agency may, without
16	waiving any privilege, authorize access to confidential su-
17	pervisory information for any appropriate governmental,
18	law enforcement, or public purpose in accordance with

19 agency regulations or orders.".

20SEC. 502. AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION21ACT.

Title II of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C.
1781 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

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1 "SEC. 215. CREDIT UNION SUPERVISORY PRIVILEGE.

2 "(a) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the3 following definitions shall apply:

4 "(1) SUPERVISORY PROCESS.—The term 'su5 pervisory process' means any activity engaged in by
6 the Administration to carry out the official respon7 sibilities of the Administration with regard to the
8 regulation or supervision of credit unions.

9 "(2) CONFIDENTIAL SUPERVISORY INFORMA-10 TION.—The term 'confidential supervisory informa-11 tion' means any of the following information, or any 12 portion of any such information, which is treated as, 13 or considered to be, confidential information by the 14 Administration, regardless of the medium in which 15 the information is conveyed or stored:

"(A) Any report of examination, inspection, visitation, or investigation, and information prepared or collected by the Administration
in connection with the supervisory process, including any computer file, work paper, or similar document.

"(B) Any correspondence or communication from the Administration to a credit union
arising from or relating to an examination, inspection, visitation, or investigation by the Administration.

"(C) Any correspondence, communication, 1 2 or document, including any compliance and 3 other reports, created by a credit union in re-4 sponse to any request, inquiry, or directive from 5 the Administration in connection with any ex-6 amination, inspection, visitation, or investiga-7 tion and provided to the Administration, other 8 than any book or record in the possession of the 9 credit union routinely prepared by the credit 10 union and maintained in the ordinary course of business or any information required to be 11 12 made publicly available by any Federal law or regulation. 13 14 "(D) Any record of the Administration to 15 the extent it contains information derived from

17 other information described in subparagraph
18 (A), (B), or (C).

any report, correspondence, communication or

19 "(b) Credit Union Supervisory Privilege.—

20 "(1) Privilege established.—

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"(A) IN GENERAL.—All confidential supervisory information shall be the property of the Administration and shall be privileged from disclosure to any other person. 1 "(B) PROHIBITION ON UNAUTHORIZED 2 DISCLOSURES.—No person in possession of con-3 fidential supervisory information may disclose 4 such information, in whole or in part, without 5 the prior authorization of the Administration, 6 except for a disclosure made in published statis-7 tical material that does not disclose, either di-8 rectly or when used in conjunction with publicly 9 available information, the affairs of any person.

10 "(C) AGENCY WAIVERS.—The Board may
11 waive, in whole or in part, in the discretion of
12 the Board, any privilege established under this
13 paragraph.

14 "(2) EXCEPTION.—No provision of paragraph
15 (1) shall be construed as preventing access to con16 fidential supervisory information by duly authorized
17 committees of the United States Congress or the
18 Comptroller General of the United States.

19 "(c) OTHER PRIVILEGES NOT WAIVED BY DISCLO-20 SURE TO ADMINISTRATION.—The submission by a credit 21 union of any information to the Administration or a State 22 credit union supervisor for any purpose in the course of 23 the supervisory process of the Administration or such su-24 pervisor shall not be construed as waiving, destroying, or 25 otherwise affecting any privilege such institution may claim with respect to such information under Federal or
 State law.

3 "(d) DISCOVERY AND DISCLOSURE OF INFORMA-4 TION.—

5 "(1) INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLY FROM AD6 MINISTRATION.—

7 "(A) IN GENERAL.—A person seeking dis-8 covery or disclosure, in whole or in part, of con-9 fidential supervisory information may not seek 10 to obtain such information through subpoena, 11 discovery procedures, or other process from any 12 person, except that such information may be sought in accordance with this section from the 13 14 Administration.

15 "(B) Request submitted to adminis-16 TRATION.—Any request for discovery or disclo-17 sure of confidential supervisory information 18 shall be made in the Administration, which 19 shall determine within a reasonable time period 20 whether to disclose such information pursuant 21 to procedures and criteria established in regula-22 tions.

23 "(2) EXCLUSIVE FEDERAL COURT JURISDIC24 TION OVER DISPUTES.—

1	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Federal courts shall
2	have exclusive jurisdiction over actions or pro-
3	ceedings in which any party seeks to compel
4	disclosure of confidential supervisory informa-
5	tion.
6	"(B) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Judicial review
7	of the final action of the Administration with
8	regard to the disposition of a request for con-
9	fidential supervisory information shall be before
10	a district court of the United States of com-
11	petent jurisdiction, subject to chapter 7 of part
12	I of title 5, United States Code.
13	"(C) RIGHT TO APPEAL.—Any court order
14	that compels production of confidential super-
15	visory information may be immediately appealed
16	by the Administration and the order compelling
17	production shall be automatically stayed, pend-
18	ing the outcome of such appeal.
19	"(e) SUBPOENAS.—
20	"(1) AUTHORITY TO INTERVENE.—In the case
21	of any action or proceeding to compel compliance
22	with a subpoena, order, discover request, or other ju-
23	dicial or administrative process with respect to any
24	confidential supervisory information relating to any
25	credit union, the Administration and the credit

1	union may intervene in such action or proceeding for
2	the purpose of—
3	"(A) enforcing the limitations established
4	in paragraph (1) of subsections (b) and (d);
5	"(B) seeking the withdrawal of any com-
6	pulsory process with respect to such informa-
7	tion; and
8	"(C) registering appropriate objections
9	with respect to the action or proceeding to the
10	extent the action or proceeding relates to or in-
11	volves such information.
12	"(2) RIGHT TO APPEAL.—Any court order that
13	compels production of confidential supervisory infor-
14	mation may be immediately appealed by the Admin-
15	istration and the order compelling production shall
16	be automatically stayed, pending the outcome of
17	such appeal.
18	"(f) REGULATIONS.—
19	"(1) AUTHORITY TO PRESCRIBE.—The Board
20	may prescribe such regulations as the Board consid-
21	ers to be appropriate, after consultation with the
22	Federal banking agencies (as defined in section 3 of
23	the Federal Deposit Insurance Act), to carry out the
24	purposes of this section.

1 "(2) AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE NOTICE.—Any 2 regulations prescribed by the Administration under 3 paragraph (1) may require any person in possession 4 of confidential supervisory information to notify the 5 Administration whenever the person is served with a 6 subpoena, order, discovery request, or other judicial 7 or administrative process requiring the personal at-8 tendance of such person as a witness or requiring 9 the production of such information in any proceed-10 ing.

11 "(g) Access in Accordance With Regulations 12 AND ORDERS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Administration may, without waiving any 13 privilege, authorize access to confidential supervisory in-14 15 formation for any appropriate governmental, law enforcement, or public purpose in accordance with agency regula-16 tions or orders.". 17

- TITLE VI—TECHNICAL 18
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CORRECTIONS

20 SEC. 601. TECHNICAL CORRECTION RELATING TO DEPOSIT

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INSURANCE FUNDS.

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2707 of the Deposit In-23 surance Funds Act of 1996 (12 U.S.C. 1821 note; Public 24 Law 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–496) is amended by strik-25 ing "(7(b)(2)(C))" and inserting "(7(b)(2)(E))".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 subsection (a) shall be deemed to have the same effective
 date as section 2707 of the Deposit Insurance Funds Act
 of 1996.

5 SEC. 602. RULES FOR CONTINUATION OF DEPOSIT INSUR6 ANCE FOR MEMBER BANKS CONVERTING 7 CHARTERS.

8 Section 8(o) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
9 (12 U.S.C. 1818(o)) is amended in the second sentence,
10 by striking "subsection (d) of section 4" and inserting
11 "subsection (c) or (d) of section 4".

12 SEC. 603. WAIVER OF CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENT FOR NA-13 TIONAL BANK DIRECTORS.

14 Section 5146 of the Revised Statutes of the United 15 States (12 U.S.C. 72) is amended in the 1st sentence, by 16 inserting before the period ", and waive the requirement 17 of citizenship in the case of not more than a minority of 18 the total number of directors of a national bank which 19 is an affiliate (as defined in section 3(w)(6) of the Federal 20 Deposit Insurance Act) of a foreign bank".

21 SEC. 604. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO PROHIBITION ON 22 COMPTROLLER INTERESTS IN NATIONAL 23 BANKS.

Section 329 of the Revised Statutes of the United
States (12 U.S.C. 11) is amended by striking "to be inter-

ested in any association issuing national currency under
 the laws of the United States" and inserting "to hold an
 interest in any national bank".

4 SEC. 605. APPLICABILITY OF LIMITATION TO PRIOR IN-5 VESTMENTS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 18(s) of the Federal De7 posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1828(s)) is amended by
8 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

9 "(5) CERTAIN INVESTMENTS.—Paragraph (1)
10 shall not apply to investments lawfully made before
11 April 11, 1996, by a depository institution in a Gov12 ernment-sponsored enterprise.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
subsection (a) shall apply as if such amendment had been
included in the amendment made by section 2615(b) of
the Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996 as of the effective date of such section.

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