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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Senators Sanborn, Bishop, Van Woerkom, Jacobs and Stamas

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 540

AN ACT to amend 1987 PA 173, entitled "An act to define and regulate mortgage brokers, mortgage lenders, and mortgage servicers; to prescribe the powers and duties of the financial institutions bureau and certain public officers and agencies; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to provide remedies and penalties," by amending section 2 (MCL 445.1652), as amended by 2002 PA 4.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 2. (1) A person shall not act as a mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer without first obtaining a license or registering under this act, unless 1 or more of the following apply:

(a) The person is solely performing services as an employee of only 1 mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer.

(b) The person is exempted from the act under section 25.

(c) The person is licensed as a class I licensee under the consumer financial services act, 1988 PA 161, MCL 487.2051 to 487.2072.

(d) The individual is an employee of a professional employer organization, as that term is defined in section 4 of the single business tax act, 1975 PA 228, MCL 208.4, solely acting as a residential mortgage originator of only 1 mortgage broker or mortgage lender. The mortgage broker or mortgage lender shall do all of the following:

(i) Direct and control the activities of the individual under this act.

(ii) Be responsible for all activities of the individual and assume responsibility for the individual's actions that are covered by the proof of financial responsibility deposit required under section 4.

(2) A person that is licensed to make regulatory loans under the regulatory loan act, 1939 PA 21, MCL 493.1 to 493.24, or is licensed to make secondary mortgage loans under the secondary mortgage loan act, 1981 PA 125, MCL 493.51 to 493.81, and is registered with the commissioner shall file with the commissioner an application for a license under section 3(1) or shall discontinue all activities that are subject to this act.

(3) Unless a residential mortgage originator is otherwise licensed or registered under this act, a residential mortgage originator shall not receive directly or indirectly any compensation, commission, fee, points, or other remuneration or benefits from a mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer other than the employer of the residential mortgage originator.

(4) Unless a residential mortgage originator is otherwise licensed or registered under this act, a mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer shall not pay directly or indirectly any compensation, commission, fee, points, or

other remuneration or benefits to a residential mortgage originator other than an employee of the mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer. As used in this subsection and subsection (3), "residential mortgage originator" means a person who assists another person in obtaining a mortgage loan.

(5) A mortgage broker, mortgage lender, or mortgage servicer that was exempt from regulation under this act and is a subsidiary or affiliate of a depository financial institution or a depository financial institution holding company that does not maintain a main office or branch office in this state, shall register under section 6 or shall discontinue all activities subject to this act.

(6) Except for a state or nationally chartered bank, savings bank, or an affiliate of a bank or savings bank, the person subject to this act shall not include in its name or assumed name, the words "bank", "banker", "banking", "banc", "bankcorp", "bancorp", or any other words or phrases that would imply that the person is a bank, is engaged in the business of banking, or is affiliated with a bank or savings bank. It is not a violation of this subsection for a licensee or registrant to use the term "mortgage banker" or "mortgage banking" in its name or assumed name. A person subject to this act whose name or assumed name on January 1, 1995 contained a word prohibited by this section may continue to use the name or assumed name.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Carol Morey Viventi

Secretary of the Senate

Jay E. Randall

Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Governor