SAVINGS BANK ACT (EXCERPT) Act 354 of 1996

487.3432 Loans and extensions of credit and leases; limitations; exceptions; definitions.

- Sec. 432. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section or by order or declaratory ruling of the commissioner, the total loans and extensions of credit and leases by a stock savings bank to a person at no time shall exceed 15% of the capital and surplus of the stock savings bank, except that upon approval by 2/3 vote of its board of directors the limit may be increased not to exceed 25% of the capital and surplus of the stock savings bank.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section or by order or declaratory ruling of the commissioner, the total loans and extensions of credit and leases by a mutual savings bank to a person at no time shall exceed 15% of the total capital of the mutual savings bank, except that upon approval by 2/3 vote of its board of directors the limit may be increased not to exceed 25% of the total capital of the mutual savings bank.
- (3) If the commissioner determines that the interests of a group of more than 1 person are so interrelated that they should be considered as a unit for the purpose for which credit was extended, the total loans and extensions of credit and leases of persons of that group shall be combined and considered loans and extensions of credit and leases of 1 person under this section.
- (4) A savings bank is not considered to have violated this section through section 434 solely by reason of the fact that the indebtedness of a group then held exceeds the limitations of this section through section 434 at the time of a determination by the commissioner that the indebtedness of that group shall be combined, but if required by the commissioner the savings bank shall make a reasonable attempt to dispose of indebtedness of the group in the amount in excess of that permitted by this section within a reasonable time determined by the commissioner.
- (5) The limitations under subsections (1) and (2) shall not apply to loans and extensions of credit described in sections 433 and 434.
 - (6) As used in this section and sections 433 and 434:
- (a) "Loan and extension of credit" or "loan or extension of credit" includes all direct or indirect advances of funds to a person made on the basis of an obligation of that person to repay the funds or repayable from specific property pledged by or on behalf of the person. To the extent specified by the commissioner, loan and extension of credit or loan or extension of credit includes any liability of a savings bank to advance funds to or on behalf of a person under a contractual commitment. Such term also includes the cost of purchase of personal property for the purpose of leasing the property to a person. Loan and extension of credit or loan or extension of credit does not include investment securities held by a savings bank under section 411.
- (b) "Person" means an individual, partnership, association, corporation, governmental entity, or any other legal entity.

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