

**SAVINGS BANK ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 354 of 1996**

**487.3215 Unsafe or unsound practice or violation; notice of charges; hearing; order to cease and desist; effect and enforcement; out-of-state bank branch.**

Sec. 215.

(1) If in the opinion of the commissioner a savings bank is engaging, has engaged, or is about to engage in an unsafe or unsound practice in conducting the business of the savings bank or is violating, has violated, or is about to violate a law or rule, the commissioner may issue and serve upon the savings bank a notice of charges in respect to the practice or violation. The notice shall contain a statement of the facts constituting the alleged unsafe or unsound practice or violation, and shall fix a time and place at which a hearing will be held to determine whether an order to cease and desist should issue against the savings bank.

(2) The hearing shall be not earlier than 30 days or later than 60 days after service of the notice unless another date is set by the commissioner at the request of the savings bank. Unless the savings bank appears at the hearing by a duly authorized representative, it shall be deemed to have consented to the issuance of the cease and desist order.

(3) In the event of a consent, or if upon the record made at the hearing, the commissioner finds that an unsafe or unsound practice or violation specified in the notice of charges has been established, the commissioner may issue and serve upon the savings bank an order to cease and desist from the practice or violation. The order may require the savings bank and its directors, officers, employees, and agents to cease and desist from the practice or violation and to take affirmative action to correct the conditions resulting from the practice or violation.

(4) A cease and desist order becomes effective at the expiration of 30 days after the service of the order upon the savings bank, except in the case of an order issued upon consent which shall become effective at the time specified in the order, and shall remain effective and enforceable as provided in the order, except to the extent it is stayed, modified, terminated, or set aside by action of the commissioner or a reviewing court.

(5) If the commissioner determines that an out-of-state bank branch located in this state is acting in violation of the laws of this state or that the activities of the branch are being conducted in an unsafe and unsound manner, the commissioner may undertake enforcement actions and proceedings as would be permitted if the branch were a savings bank.

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