1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Banking Act is amended by changing
Sections 78 and 79 as follows:

6 (205 ILCS 5/78) (from Ch. 17, par. 390)

7 Sec. 78. Board of banks and trust companies; creation, 8 members, appointment. There is created a Board which shall be 9 known as the State Banking Board of Illinois which shall consist of the Director of Banking, who shall be its chairman, 10 and 12 11 additional members. The Board shall be comprised of 11 12 individuals interested in the banking industry. Two members 13 shall be from State banks having total assets of not more than 14 \$75,000,000 at the time of their appointment; 2 members shall be from State banks having total assets of more than 15 \$75,000,000, but not more than \$150,000,000 at the time of 16 their appointment; 2 members shall be from State banks having 17 total assets of more than \$150,000,000, but not more than 18 19 \$500,000,000 at the time of their appointment; 2 members shall be from State banks having total assets of more than 20 21 \$500,000,000, but not more than \$2,000,000,000 at the time of 22 their appointment; - and one member shall be from a State bank having total assets of more than \$2,000,000,000 at the time of 23

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1 his or her appointment; and one member shall be from a savings 2 bank organized under the Savings Bank Act. There shall be one alternate member from a savings bank organized under the 3 Savings Bank Act whose role shall be to attend a meeting of the 4 5 State Banking Board if and only if the sitting member from a savings bank is unable to attend the meeting. There shall be 2 6 7 public members, neither of whom shall be an officer or director 8 of or owner, whether directly or indirectly, of more than 5% of 9 the outstanding capital stock of any bank or savings bank. 10 Members of the State Banking Board of Illinois cease to be 11 eligible to serve on the Board once they no longer meet the 12 requirements of their original appointment; however, a member 13 from a State bank shall not be disgualified solely due to a change in the bank's asset size. 14

15 (Source: P.A. 99-39, eff. 1-1-16.)

16 (205 ILCS 5/79) (from Ch. 17, par. 391)

Sec. 79. Board, terms of office. The terms of office of the 17 State Banking Board of Illinois shall be 4 years, except that 18 the initial Board appointments shall be staggered with the 19 Governor initially appointing, with advice and consent of the 20 21 Senate, 3 members to serve 2-year terms, 4 members to serve 22 3-year terms, and 4 members to serve 4-year terms. The sitting 23 member from a savings bank organized under the Savings Bank Act 24 and the alternate member from a savings bank organized under 25 the Savings Bank Act shall be appointed for the same terms of

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<u>office.</u> Members shall continue to serve on the Board until their replacement is appointed and qualified. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Governor with advice and consent of the Senate.

5 No State Banking Board member shall serve more than 2 full
6 4-year terms of office.

7 (Source: P.A. 96-1163, eff. 1-1-11; 97-813, eff. 7-13-12.)

8 (205 ILCS 205/12104 rep.)

9 (205 ILCS 205/Art. 12.2 rep.)

Section 10. The Savings Bank Act is amended by repealing
 Section 12104 and Article 12.2.

- Section 15. The Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 is amended by changing Sections 1-4, 4-1, and 4-8 as follows:
- 14 (205 ILCS 635/1-4)

Sec. 1-4. Definitions. The following words and phrases have the meanings given to them in this Section:

(a) "Residential real property" or "residential real
estate" shall mean any real property located in Illinois,
upon which is constructed or intended to be constructed a
dwelling. Those terms include a manufactured home as
defined in subdivision (53) of Section 9-102 of the Uniform
Commercial Code which is real property as defined in
Section 5-35 of the Conveyance and Encumbrance of

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Manufactured Homes as Real Property and Severance Act.

2 (b) "Making a residential mortgage loan" or "funding a 3 residential mortgage loan" shall mean for compensation or 4 gain, either directly or indirectly, advancing funds or 5 making a commitment to advance funds to a loan applicant 6 for a residential mortgage loan.

7 (c) "Soliciting, processing, placing, or negotiating a 8 residential mortgage loan" shall mean for compensation or 9 gain, either directly or indirectly, accepting or offering 10 to accept an application for a residential mortgage loan, 11 assisting or offering to assist in the processing of an 12 application for a residential mortgage loan on behalf of a borrower, or negotiating or offering to negotiate the terms 13 14 or conditions of a residential mortgage loan with a lender 15 on behalf of a borrower including, but not limited to, the 16 submission of credit packages for the approval of lenders, the preparation of residential mortgage loan closing 17 documents, including a closing in the name of a broker. 18

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(d) "Exempt person or entity" shall mean the following:

(i) Any banking organization or foreign 20 (1)21 banking corporation licensed by the Illinois 22 Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate or the United 23 States Comptroller of the Currency to transact 24 business in this State; (ii) any national bank, 25 federally chartered savings and loan association, 26 federal savings bank, federal credit union; (iii)

(blank); (iv) any bank, savings and loan association, 1 savings bank, or credit union organized under the laws 2 3 of this or any other state; (v) any Illinois Consumer Installment Loan Act licensee; (vi) any insurance 4 5 company authorized to transact business in this State; 6 (vii) any entity engaged solely in commercial mortgage 7 lending; (viii) any service corporation of a savings and loan association or savings bank organized under 8 9 the laws of this State or the service corporation of a 10 federally chartered savings and loan association or 11 savings bank having its principal place of business in 12 this State, other than a service corporation licensed or entitled to reciprocity under the Real Estate 13 14 License Act of 2000; or (ix) any first tier subsidiary 15 of a bank, the charter of which is issued under the 16 Illinois Banking Act by the Illinois Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate, or the first tier subsidiary of 17 a bank chartered by the United States Comptroller of 18 19 the Currency and that has its principal place of business in this State, provided that the first tier 20 subsidiary is regularly examined by the Illinois 21 22 Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate or the Comptroller of the Currency, or a consumer compliance 23 examination is regularly conducted by the Federal 24 25 Reserve Board.

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(1.5) Any employee of a person or entity mentioned

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1 in item (1) of this subsection, when acting for such 2 person or entity, or any registered mortgage loan 3 originator when acting for an entity described in 4 subsection (tt) of this Section.

5 (1.8) Any person or entity that does not originate 6 mortgage loans in the ordinary course of business, but 7 makes or acquires residential mortgage loans with his 8 or her own funds for his or her or its own investment 9 without intent to make, acquire, or resell more than 3 10 residential mortgage loans in any one calendar year.

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12 (3) Any person employed by a licensee to assist in
13 the performance of the residential mortgage licensee's
14 activities regulated by this Act who is compensated in
15 any manner by only one licensee.

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17 (5) Any individual, corporation, partnership, or other entity that originates, services, or brokers 18 19 residential mortgage loans, as these activities are 20 defined in this Act, and who or which receives no compensation for those activities, subject to the 21 22 Commissioner's regulations and the federal Secure and 23 Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 and the rules promulgated under that Act with regard to the 24 25 nature and amount of compensation.

(6) (Blank).

1 (e) "Licensee" or "residential mortgage licensee" 2 shall mean a person, partnership, association, 3 corporation, or any other entity who or which is licensed 4 pursuant to this Act to engage in the activities regulated 5 by this Act.

(f) "Mortgage loan" "residential mortgage loan" or 6 7 "home mortgage loan" shall mean any loan primarily for 8 personal, family, or household use that is secured by a 9 mortgage, deed of trust, or other equivalent consensual 10 security interest on a dwelling as defined in Section 11 103(v) of the federal Truth in Lending Act, or residential 12 real estate upon which is constructed or intended to be constructed a dwelling. 13

(g) "Lender" shall mean any person, partnership,
 association, corporation, or any other entity who either
 lends or invests money in residential mortgage loans.

17 (h) "Ultimate equitable owner" shall mean a person who, directly or indirectly, owns or controls an ownership 18 19 interest in a corporation, foreign corporation, alien 20 business organization, trust, or any other form of business 21 organization regardless of whether the person owns or 22 controls the ownership interest through one or more persons 23 or one or more proxies, powers of attorney, nominees, corporations, associations, partnerships, trusts, joint 24 25 stock companies, or other entities or devices, or any 26 combination thereof.

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1 (i) "Residential mortgage financing transaction" shall 2 mean the negotiation, acquisition, sale, or arrangement 3 for or the offer to negotiate, acquire, sell, or arrange 4 for, a residential mortgage loan or residential mortgage 5 loan commitment.

(j) "Personal residence address" shall mean a street address and shall not include a post office box number.

8 (k) "Residential mortgage loan commitment" shall mean
9 a contract for residential mortgage loan financing.

(1) "Party to a residential mortgage financing
 transaction" shall mean a borrower, lender, or loan broker
 in a residential mortgage financing transaction.

13 (m) "Payments" shall mean payment of all or any of the 14 following: principal, interest and escrow reserves for 15 taxes, insurance and other related reserves, and 16 reimbursement for lender advances.

(n) "Commissioner" shall mean the Commissioner of 17 18 Banks and Real Estate, except that, beginning on April 6, 19 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 95-1047), all references in this Act to the Commissioner of Banks and 20 21 Real Estate are deemed, in appropriate contexts, to be 22 references to the Secretary of Financial and Professional 23 Regulation, or his or her designee, including the Director 24 of the Division of Banking of the Department of Financial 25 and Professional Regulation.

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(n-1) "Director" shall mean the Director of the

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Division of Banking of the Department of Financial and 1 Professional Regulation, except that, beginning on July 2 3 31, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-112), all references in this Act to the Director are deemed, in 4 5 appropriate contexts, to be the Secretary of Financial and 6 Professional Regulation, or his or her designee, including the Director of the Division of Banking of the Department 7 8 of Financial and Professional Regulation.

9 "Loan brokering", "brokering", or "brokerage (\circ) 10 service" shall mean the act of helping to obtain from 11 another entity, for a borrower, a loan secured by 12 residential real estate situated in Illinois or assisting a borrower in obtaining a loan secured by residential real 13 14 estate situated in Illinois in return for consideration to 15 be paid by either the borrower or the lender including, but 16 not limited to, contracting for the delivery of residential mortgage loans to a third party lender and soliciting, 17 processing, placing, or negotiating residential mortgage 18 19 loans.

(p) "Loan broker" or "broker" shall mean a person, 20 21 partnership, association, corporation, limited or 22 liability company, other than those persons, partnerships, 23 associations, corporations, or limited liability companies 24 exempted from licensing pursuant to Section 1-4, 25 subsection (d), of this Act, who performs the activities 26 described in subsections (c), (o), and (yy) of this

Section.

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2 (q) "Servicing" shall mean the collection or 3 remittance for or the right or obligation to collect or remit for any lender, noteowner, noteholder, or for a 4 5 licensee's own account, of payments, interests, principal, and trust items such as hazard insurance and taxes on a 6 7 residential mortgage loan in accordance with the terms of 8 the residential mortgage loan; and includes loan payment 9 follow-up, delinquency loan follow-up, loan analysis and 10 any notifications to the borrower that are necessary to 11 enable the borrower to keep the loan current and in good 12 standing. "Servicing" includes management of third-party entities acting on behalf of a residential mortgage 13 14 licensee for the collection of delinquent payments and the 15 use by such third-party entities of said licensee's 16 servicing records or information, including their use in 17 foreclosure.

"Full service office" shall mean an office, 18 (r) 19 provided by the licensee and not subleased from the 20 licensee's employees, and staff in Illinois reasonably 21 adequate to handle efficiently communications, questions, 22 and other matters relating to any application for, or an 23 existing home mortgage secured by residential real estate 24 situated in Illinois with respect to which the licensee is 25 brokering, funding originating, purchasing, or servicing. 26 The management and operation of each full service office

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must include observance of good business practices such as 1 2 proper signage; adequate, organized, and accurate books 3 and records; ample phone lines, hours of business, staff training and supervision, and provision for a mechanism to 4 5 resolve consumer inquiries, complaints, and problems. The Commissioner shall issue regulations with regard to these 6 7 requirements and shall include an evaluation of compliance 8 with this Section in his or her periodic examination of 9 each licensee.

10 (s) "Purchasing" shall mean the purchase of 11 conventional or government-insured mortgage loans secured 12 by residential real estate situated in Illinois from either 13 the lender or from the secondary market.

14 (t) "Borrower" shall mean the person or persons who15 seek the services of a loan broker, originator, or lender.

16 (u) "Originating" shall mean the issuing of17 commitments for and funding of residential mortgage loans.

18 (v) "Loan brokerage agreement" shall mean a written 19 agreement in which a broker or loan broker agrees to do 20 either of the following:

(1) obtain a residential mortgage loan for the
borrower or assist the borrower in obtaining a
residential mortgage loan; or

24 (2) consider making a residential mortgage loan to25 the borrower.

26 (w) "Advertisement" shall mean the attempt by

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1 publication, dissemination, or circulation to induce, 2 directly or indirectly, any person to enter into a 3 residential mortgage loan agreement or residential 4 mortgage loan brokerage agreement relative to a mortgage 5 secured by residential real estate situated in Illinois.

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(x) <u>(Blank).</u> "Residential Mortgage Board" shall mean the Residential Mortgage Board created in Section 1 5 of this Act.

9 (y) "Government-insured mortgage loan" shall mean any 10 mortgage loan made on the security of residential real 11 estate insured by the Department of Housing and Urban 12 Development or Farmers Home Loan Administration, or 13 guaranteed by the Veterans Administration.

14 (z) "Annual audit" shall mean a certified audit of the 15 licensee's books and records and systems of internal 16 control performed by a certified public accountant in 17 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles 18 and generally accepted auditing standards.

19 (aa) "Financial institution" shall mean a savings and 20 loan association, savings bank, credit union, or a bank 21 organized under the laws of Illinois or a savings and loan 22 association, savings bank, credit union or a bank organized 23 under the laws of the United States and headquartered in 24 Illinois.

(bb) "Escrow agent" shall mean a third party,
 individual or entity charged with the fiduciary obligation

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for holding escrow funds on a residential mortgage loan pending final payout of those funds in accordance with the terms of the residential mortgage loan.

4 (cc) "Net worth" shall have the meaning ascribed
5 thereto in Section 3-5 of this Act.

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(dd) "Affiliate" shall mean:

7 (1) any entity that directly controls or is 8 controlled by the licensee and any other company that 9 is directly affecting activities regulated by this Act 10 that is controlled by the company that controls the 11 licensee;

(2) any entity:

13 is controlled, (A) that directly or 14 indirectly, by a trust or otherwise, by or for the 15 benefit of shareholders who beneficially or 16 otherwise control, directly or indirectly, by 17 trust or otherwise, the licensee or any company that controls the licensee; or 18

19 (B) a majority of the directors or trustees of 20 which constitute a majority of the persons holding 21 any such office with the licensee or any company 22 that controls the licensee;

(3) any company, including a real estate
investment trust, that is sponsored and advised on a
contractual basis by the licensee or any subsidiary or
affiliate of the licensee.

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1 (ee) "First tier subsidiary" shall be defined by 2 regulation incorporating the comparable definitions used 3 by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the 4 Illinois Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate.

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"Gross delinquency rate" means the quotient 5 (ff) 6 determined by dividing (1) the sum of (i) the number of 7 government-insured residential mortgage loans funded or 8 purchased by a licensee in the preceding calendar year that are delinquent and (ii) the number of conventional 9 10 residential mortgage loans funded or purchased by the 11 licensee in the preceding calendar year that are delinquent 12 by (2) the sum of (i) the number of government-insured 13 residential mortgage loans funded or purchased by the 14 licensee in the preceding calendar year and (ii) the number 15 of conventional residential mortgage loans funded or 16 purchased by the licensee in the preceding calendar year.

(gg) "Delinquency rate factor" means the factor set by rule of the Commissioner that is multiplied by the average gross delinquency rate of licensees, determined annually for the immediately preceding calendar year, for the purpose of determining which licensees shall be examined by the Commissioner pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 4-8 of this Act.

(hh) "Loan originator" means any natural person who,
for compensation or in the expectation of compensation,
either directly or indirectly makes, offers to make,

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solicits, places, or negotiates a residential mortgage
 loan. This definition applies only to Section 7-1 of this
 Act.

(ii) "Confidential supervisory information" means any 4 5 report of examination, visitation, or investigation 6 prepared by the Commissioner under this Act, any report of 7 examination visitation, or investigation prepared by the 8 state regulatory authority of another state that examines a 9 licensee, any document or record prepared or obtained in 10 connection with or relating to any examination, 11 visitation, or investigation, and any record prepared or 12 obtained by the Commissioner to the extent that the record 13 summarizes or contains information derived from any 14 report, document, or record described in this subsection. 15 "Confidential supervisory information" does not include 16 any information or record routinely prepared by a licensee 17 and maintained in the ordinary course of business or any information or record that is required to be made publicly 18 19 available pursuant to State or federal law or rule.

20 (jj) "Mortgage loan originator" means an individual 21 who for compensation or gain or in the expectation of 22 compensation or gain:

(i) takes a residential mortgage loan application;

(ii) offers or negotiates terms of a residentialmortgage loan.

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"Mortgage loan originator" includes an individual 1 2 engaged in loan modification activities as defined in 3 subsection (yy) of this Section. A mortgage loan originator engaged in loan modification activities shall report those 4 5 activities to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation in the manner provided by the Department; 6 7 however, the Department shall not impose a fee for 8 reporting, nor require any additional qualifications to 9 engage in those activities beyond those provided pursuant 10 to this Act for mortgage loan originators.

11 "Mortgage loan originator" does not include an 12 individual engaged solely а loan processor as or 13 underwriter except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of Section 7-1A of this Act. 14

15 "Mortgage loan originator" does not include a person or 16 entity that only performs real estate brokerage activities 17 and is licensed in accordance with the Real Estate License 18 Act of 2000, unless the person or entity is compensated by 19 a lender, a mortgage broker, or other mortgage loan 20 originator, or by any agent of that lender, mortgage 21 broker, or other mortgage loan originator.

22 "Mortgage loan originator" does not include a person or 23 entity solely involved in extensions of credit relating to 24 timeshare plans, as that term is defined in Section 25 101(53D) of Title 11, United States Code.

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(kk) "Depository institution" has the same meaning as

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in Section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, and
 includes any credit union.

(11) "Dwelling" means a residential structure or
 mobile home which contains one to 4 family housing units,
 or individual units of condominiums or cooperatives.

6 (mm) "Immediate family member" means a spouse, child, 7 sibling, parent, grandparent, or grandchild, and includes 8 step-parents, step-children, step-siblings, or adoptive 9 relationships.

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(nn) "Individual" means a natural person.

11 (00)"Loan processor or underwriter" means an 12 individual who performs clerical or support duties as an employee at the direction of and subject to the supervision 13 14 and instruction of a person licensed, or exempt from licensing, under this Act. "Clerical or support duties" 15 16 includes subsequent to the receipt of an application:

(i) the receipt, collection, distribution, and
analysis of information common for the processing or
underwriting of a residential mortgage loan; and

20 (ii) communicating with a consumer to obtain the 21 information necessary for the processing or 22 underwriting of a loan, to the extent that the 23 communication does not include offering or negotiating 24 loan rates or terms, or counseling consumers about 25 residential mortgage loan rates or terms. An 26 individual engaging solely in loan processor or

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underwriter activities shall not represent to the 1 2 public, through advertising or other means of 3 communicating or providing information, including the use of business cards, stationery, brochures, signs, 4 5 rate lists, or other promotional items, that the 6 individual can or will perform any of the activities of 7 a mortgage loan originator.

"Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System 8 and (pp) 9 Registry" means a mortgage licensing system developed and 10 maintained by the Conference of State Bank Supervisors and 11 the American Association of Residential Mortgage 12 Regulators for the licensing and registration of licensed 13 mortgage loan originators.

14(qq) "Nontraditional mortgage product" means any15mortgage product other than a 30-year fixed rate mortgage.

16 (rr) "Person" means a natural person, corporation, 17 company, limited liability company, partnership, or 18 association.

19 (ss) "Real estate brokerage activity" means any 20 activity that involves offering or providing real estate 21 brokerage services to the public, including:

(1) acting as a real estate agent or real estate
broker for a buyer, seller, lessor, or lessee of real
property;

(2) bringing together parties interested in the
 sale, purchase, lease, rental, or exchange of real

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(3) negotiating, on behalf of any party, any
portion of a contract relating to the sale, purchase,
lease, rental, or exchange of real property, other than
in connection with providing financing with respect to
any such transaction;

7 (4) engaging in any activity for which a person
8 engaged in the activity is required to be registered or
9 licensed as a real estate agent or real estate broker
10 under any applicable law; or

(5) offering to engage in any activity, or act in
 any capacity, described in this subsection (ss).

13 (tt) "Registered mortgage loan originator" means any 14 individual that:

(1) meets the definition of mortgage loanoriginator and is an employee of:

(A) a depository institution;

(B) a subsidiary that is:

19 (i) owned and controlled by a depository20 institution; and

21 (ii) regulated by a federal banking 22 agency; or

(C) an institution regulated by the Farm
 Credit Administration; and

(2) is registered with, and maintains a unique
 identifier through, the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing

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System and Registry.

2 (uu) "Unique identifier" means a number or other
3 identifier assigned by protocols established by the
4 Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry.

5 (vv) "Residential mortgage license" means a license 6 issued pursuant to Section 1-3, 2-2, or 2-6 of this Act.

7 (ww) "Mortgage loan originator license" means a
8 license issued pursuant to Section 7-1A, 7-3, or 7-6 of
9 this Act.

10 (xx) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Department 11 of Financial and Professional Regulation, or a person 12 authorized by the Secretary or by this Act to act in the 13 Secretary's stead.

14 (yy) "Loan modification" means, for compensation or 15 gain, either directly or indirectly offering or 16 negotiating on behalf of a borrower or homeowner to adjust 17 the terms of a residential mortgage loan in a manner not 18 provided for in the original or previously modified 19 mortgage loan.

(zz) "Short sale facilitation" means, for compensation 20 21 or gain, either directly or indirectly offering or 22 negotiating on behalf of a borrower or homeowner to 23 facilitate the sale of residential real estate subject to 24 more residential mortgage loans or debts one or 25 constituting liens on the property in which the proceeds 26 from selling the residential real estate will fall short of

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the amount owed and the lien holders are contacted to agree to release their lien on the residential real estate and accept less than the full amount owed on the debt.

4 The Commissioner may define by rule and regulation any 5 terms used in this Act for the efficient and clear 6 administration of this Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 98-749, eff. 7-16-14; 98-1081, eff. 1-1-15; 8 99-78, eff. 7-20-15.)

9 (205 ILCS 635/4-1) (from Ch. 17, par. 2324-1)

10 Sec. 4-1. Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate; functions, 11 powers, and duties. The functions, powers, and duties of the 12 Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate shall include the 13 following:

14 (a) to issue or refuse to issue any license as provided15 by this Act;

16 (b) to revoke or suspend for cause any license issued 17 under this Act;

18 (c) to keep records of all licenses issued under this19 Act;

20 (d) to receive, consider, investigate, and act upon
21 complaints made by any person in connection with any
22 residential mortgage licensee in this State;

23 (e) (blank); to consider and act upon any 24 recommendations from the Residential Mortgage Board;

(f) to prescribe the forms of and receive:

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(1) applications for licenses; and

2 (2) all reports and all books and records required 3 to be made by any licensee under this Act, including 4 annual audited financial statements and annual reports 5 of mortgage activity;

6 (g) to adopt rules and regulations necessary and proper 7 for the administration of this Act;

8 (h) to subpoena documents and witnesses and compel 9 their attendance and production, to administer oaths, and 10 to require the production of any books, papers, or other 11 materials relevant to any inquiry authorized by this Act;

12 (h-1) to issue orders against any person, if the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that an 13 14 unsafe, unsound, or unlawful practice has occurred, is 15 occurring, or is about to occur, if any person has 16 violated, is violating, or is about to violate any law, 17 rule, or written agreement with the Commissioner, or for the purpose of administering the provisions of this Act and 18 19 any rule adopted in accordance with the Act;

20 (h-2) to address any inquiries to any licensee, or the 21 officers thereof, in relation to its activities and 22 conditions, or any other matter connected with its affairs, 23 and it shall be the duty of any licensee or person so 24 addressed, to promptly reply in writing to such inquiries. 25 The Commissioner may also require reports from any licensee 26 at any time the Commissioner may deem desirable; SB2955 Engrossed - 23 - LRB099 16517 SMS 40853 b

(i) to require information with regard to any license 1 2 applicant as he or she may deem desirable, with due regard 3 to the paramount interests of the public as to the experience, background, honesty, truthfulness, integrity, 4 and competency of the license applicant as to financial 5 6 transactions involving primary or subordinate mortgage 7 financing, and where the license applicant is an entity 8 other than an individual, as to the honesty, truthfulness, 9 integrity, and competency of any officer or director of the corporation, association, or other entity, or the members 10 11 of a partnership;

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(j) to examine the books and records of every licensee under this Act at intervals as specified in Section 4-2;

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(k) to enforce provisions of this Act;

15 (1) to levy fees, fines, and charges for services 16 performed in administering this Act; the aggregate of all 17 fees collected by the Commissioner on and after the effective date of this Act shall be paid promptly after 18 19 receipt of the same, accompanied by a detailed statement 20 thereof, into the Residential Finance Regulatory Fund under Section 4-1.5 of this Act; the amounts deposited into 21 22 that Fund shall be used for the ordinary and contingent 23 expenses of the Office of Banks and Real Estate. Nothing in 24 this Act shall prevent continuing the practice of paying 25 expenses involving salaries, retirement, social security, 26 and State-paid insurance of State officers by

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appropriation from the General Revenue Fund. 1 2 (m) to appoint examiners, supervisors, experts, and 3 special assistants as needed to effectively and efficiently administer this Act; 4 5 (n) to conduct hearings for the purpose of: (1) appeals of orders of the Commissioner; 6 7 (2) suspensions or revocations of licenses, or 8 fining of licensees; 9 (3) investigating: 10 (i) complaints against licensees; or 11 (ii) annual gross delinquency rates; and 12 (4) carrying out the purposes of this Act; 13 to exercise exclusive visitorial power over a (0) licensee unless otherwise authorized by this Act or as 14 15 vested in the courts, or upon prior consultation with the

16 Commissioner, a foreign residential mortgage regulator 17 with an appropriate supervisory interest in the parent or 18 affiliate of a licensee;

(p) to enter into cooperative agreements with state regulatory authorities of other states to provide for examination of corporate offices or branches of those states and to accept reports of such examinations;

(q) to assign an examiner or examiners to monitor the affairs of a licensee with whatever frequency the Commissioner determines appropriate and to charge the licensee for reasonable and necessary expenses of the SB2955 Engrossed - 25 - LRB099 16517 SMS 40853 b

Commissioner, if in the opinion of the Commissioner an
 emergency exists or appears likely to occur;

3 (r) to impose civil penalties of up to \$50 per day 4 against a licensee for failing to respond to a regulatory 5 request or reporting requirement; and

6 (s) to enter into agreements in connection with the
7 Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry.
8 (Source: P.A. 98-1081, eff. 1-1-15.)

9 (205 ILCS 635/4-8) (from Ch. 17, par. 2324-8)

10 Sec. 4-8. Delinquency; examination.

11 (a) The Commissioner shall obtain from the U.S. Department 12 of Housing and Urban Development that Department's loan 13 delinquency data.

14 (b) The Commissioner shall conduct as part of an 15 examination of each licensee a review of the licensee's loan 16 delinquency data.

This subsection shall not be construed as a limitation of the Commissioner's examination authority under Section 4-2 of this Act or as otherwise provided in this Act. The Commissioner may require a licensee to provide loan delinquency data as the Commissioner deems necessary for the proper enforcement of the Act.

(c) The purpose of the examination under subsection (b)
shall be to determine whether the loan delinquency data of the
licensee has resulted from practices which deviate from sound

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and accepted mortgage underwriting practices, including but 1 2 not limited to credit fraud, appraisal fraud and property 3 inspection fraud. For the purpose of conducting this examination, the Commissioner may accept materials prepared 4 5 for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. At the conclusion of the examination, the Commissioner shall make 6 7 his or her findings available to the Residential Mortgage 8 Board.

9 (d) The Commissioner, at his or her discretion, may hold 10 public hearings, or at the direction of the Residential 11 Mortgage Board, shall hold public hearings. Such testimony 12 shall be by a homeowner or mortgagor or his agent, whose 13 residential interest is affected by the activities of the residential mortgage licensee subject to such hearing. At such 14 15 public hearing, a witness may present testimony on his or her 16 behalf concerning only his or her home, or home mortgage or a 17 witness may authorize a third party to appear on his or her behalf. The testimony shall be restricted to information and 18 19 comments related to a specific residence or specific 20 residential mortgage application or applications for а residential mortgage or residential loan transaction. The 21 22 testimony must be preceded by either a letter of complaint or a 23 completed consumer complaint form prescribed by the Commissioner. 24

(e) The Commissioner shall, at the conclusion of the public
 hearings, release his or her findings and shall also make

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public any action taken with respect to the licensee. The Commissioner shall also give full consideration to the findings of this examination whenever reapplication is made by the licensee for a new license under this Act.

5 (f) A licensee that is examined pursuant to subsection (b) 6 shall submit to the Commissioner a plan which shall be designed 7 to reduce that licensee's loan delinquencies. The plan shall be 8 implemented by the licensee as approved by the Commissioner. A 9 licensee that is examined pursuant to subsection (b) shall 10 report monthly, for a one year period, one, 2, and 3 month loan 11 delinquencies.

(g) Whenever the Commissioner finds that a licensee's loan 12 13 delinquencies on insured mortgages is unusually high within a 14 particular geographic area, he or she shall require that licensee to submit such information as is necessary to 15 16 determine whether that licensee's practices have constituted 17 credit fraud, appraisal fraud or property inspection fraud. The Commissioner shall promulgate such rules as are necessary to 18 19 determine whether any licensee's loan delinquencies are 20 unusually high within a particular area.

21 (Source: P.A. 99-15, eff. 1-1-16.)

22 (205 ILCS 635/1-5 rep.)

Section 20. The Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 is
 amended by repealing Section 1-5.

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

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1 becoming law.