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Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

A BILL

1	FOR AN ACT relating to banks and banking; to amend sections 8-1,140
2	8-355, 8-602, 8-1510, and 21-17,115, Revised Statutes
3	Cumulative Supplement, 2010; to eliminate provisions
4	relating to impairment of bank capital; to revise powers
5	of state-chartered banks, building and loan associations
6	and credit unions; to change provisions relating to the
7	schedule of fees; to change provisions relating to
8	acquisitions and mergers; to provide operative dates; to
9	repeal the original sections; to outright repeal section
10	8-132.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to
11	declare an emergency.

12 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 8-1,140, Revised Statutes Cumulative

- 2 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 3 8-1,140 Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of
- 4 the Nebraska Banking Act or any other Nebraska statute, any bank
- 5 incorporated under the laws of this state and organized under the
- 6 provisions of the act, or under the laws of this state as they
- 7 existed prior to May 9, 1933, shall directly, or indirectly through a
- 8 subsidiary or subsidiaries, have all the rights, powers, privileges,
- 9 benefits, and immunities which may be exercised as of January 1,
- 10 2010, 2011, by a federally chartered bank doing business in Nebraska,
- 11 including the exercise of all powers and activities that are
- 12 permitted for a financial subsidiary of a federally chartered bank.
- 13 Such rights, powers, privileges, benefits, and immunities shall not
- 14 relieve such bank from payment of state taxes assessed under any
- 15 applicable laws of this state.
- 16 Sec. 2. Section 8-355, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 17 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 18 8-355 Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Chapter 8,
- 19 article 3, or any other Nebraska statute, except as provided in
- 20 section 8-345.02, any association incorporated under the laws of the
- 21 State of Nebraska and organized under the provisions of such article
- 22 shall have all the rights, powers, privileges, benefits, and
- 23 immunities which may be exercised as of January 1, 2010, 2011, by a
- 24 federal savings and loan association doing business in Nebraska. Such
- 25 rights, powers, privileges, benefits, and immunities shall not

1 relieve such association from payment of state taxes assessed under

- 2 any applicable laws of this state.
- 3 Sec. 3. Section 8-602, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 5 8-602 The Director of Banking and Finance shall charge
- 6 and collect fees for certain services rendered by the Department of
- 7 Banking and Finance according to the following schedule:
- 8 (1) For filing and examining articles of incorporation,
- 9 articles of association, and bylaws, except credit unions, one
- 10 hundred dollars, and for credit unions, fifty dollars;
- 11 (2) For filing and examining an amendment to articles of
- 12 incorporation, articles of association, and bylaws, except credit
- 13 unions, fifty dollars, and for credit unions, fifteen dollars;
- 14 (3) For issuing to banks, credit card banks, trust
- 15 companies, and building and loan associations a charter, authority,
- 16 or license to do business in this state, a sum which shall be
- 17 determined on the basis of one dollar and fifty cents for each one
- 18 thousand dollars of authorized capital, except that the minimum fee
- 19 in each case shall be two hundred twenty-five dollars;
- 20 (4) For issuing an executive officer's or loan officer's
- 21 license, fifty dollars at the time of the initial license and fifteen
- 22 dollars on or before January 15 each year thereafter, except credit
- 23 unions for which the fee shall be twenty-five dollars at the time of
- 24 the initial license and fifteen dollars on or before January 15 each
- 25 year thereafter;

- 1 (5) For affixing certificate and seal, five dollars;
- 2 (6) For making substitution of securities held by it and
- 3 issuing a receipt, fifteen dollars;
- 4 (7) For issuing a certificate of approval to a credit
- 5 union, ten dollars;
- 6 (8) For investigating the applications required by
- 7 sections 8-117, 8-120, and 8-331, and 8-2402 and the documents
- 8 required by section 8-201, the cost of such examination,
- 9 investigation, and inspection, including all legal expenses and the
- 10 cost of any hearing transcript, with a minimum fee under (a) sections
- 11 8-117, 8-120, and 8-2402 of two thousand five hundred dollars, (b)
- 12 section 8-331 of two thousand dollars, and (c) section 8-201 of one
- 13 thousand dollars. The department may require the applicant to procure
- 14 and give a surety bond in such principal amount as the department may
- 15 determine and conditioned for the payment of the fees provided in
- 16 this subdivision;
- 17 (9) For registering a statement of intention to engage in
- 18 the business of making personal loans pursuant to section 8-816,
- 19 fifty dollars;
- 20 (10) For the handling of pledged securities as provided
- 21 in sections 8-210 and 8-1006, at the time of the initial deposit of
- 22 such securities, one dollar and fifty cents for each thousand dollars
- 23 of securities deposited and a like amount on or before January 15
- 24 each year thereafter. The fees shall be paid by the company, national
- 25 bank, federal savings association, federally chartered trust company,

1 out-of-state trust company authorized under the Interstate Trust

- 2 Company Office Act, or state-chartered bank pledging the securities;
- 3 (11) For investigating an application to move its
- 4 location within the city or village limits of its original license or
- 5 charter for banks, trust companies, and building and loan
- 6 associations, two hundred fifty dollars;
- 7 (12) For investigating an application under subdivision
- 8 (6) of section 8-115.01, five hundred dollars;
- 9 (13) For investigating an application for approval to
- 10 establish or acquire a branch or to establish a mobile branch
- 11 pursuant to section 8-157, two hundred fifty dollars;
- 12 (14) For investigating a notice of acquisition of control
- 13 under subsection (1) of section 8-1502, five hundred dollars;
- 14 (15) For investigating an application for a cross-
- industry merger under section 8-1510, five hundred dollars;
- 16 (16) For investigating an application for a merger of two
- 17 state banks or a merger of a state bank and a national bank in which
- 18 the state bank is the surviving entity, five hundred dollars;
- 19 (17) For investigating an application or a notice to
- 20 establish a branch trust office, five hundred dollars;
- 21 (18) For investigating an application or a notice to
- 22 establish a representative trust office, five hundred dollars;
- 23 (19) For investigating an application to establish a
- 24 credit union branch under section 21-1725.01, two hundred fifty
- 25 dollars;

1 (20) For investigating an applicant under section 8-1513,

- 2 five thousand dollars; and
- 3 (21) For investigating a request to extend a conditional
- 4 bank charter under section 8-117, one thousand dollars.
- 5 Sec. 4. Section 8-1510, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 6 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 7 8-1510 (1) The Director of Banking and Finance may permit
- 8 cross-industry acquisition or merger of one or more financial
- 9 institutions under its supervision upon the application of such
- 10 institutions to the Department of Banking and Finance. The
- 11 application shall be made on forms prescribed by the department.
- 12 (2) Except as provided for in subsection (3) of this
- 13 section, when an application is made for such an acquisition or
- 14 merger, notice of the filing of the application shall be published by
- 15 the department three weeks in a legal newspaper in or of general
- 16 circulation in the county where the applicant proposes to operate the
- 17 acquired or merged financial institution. A public hearing shall be
- 18 held on each application. The date for hearing the application shall
- 19 be not more than ninety days after the filing of the application and
- 20 not less than thirty days after the last publication of notice after
- 21 the examination and approval by the department of the application. If
- 22 the department, upon investigation and after public hearing on the
- 23 application, is satisfied that the stockholders and officers of the
- 24 financial institution applying for such acquisition or merger are
- 25 parties of integrity and responsibility, that the requirements of

1 section 8-702 have been met or some alternate form of protection for

- 2 depositors has been met, and that the public necessity, convenience,
- 3 and advantage will be promoted by permitting such acquisition or
- 4 merger, the department shall, upon payment of the required fees,
- 5 issue to such institution an order of approval for the acquisition or
- 6 merger.
- 7 (3) application is When made for cross-industry 8 acquisition or merger and the director determines, in his or her discretion, that the financial condition of the financial institution 9 surviving the acquisition or merger is such as to indicate that a 10 hearing on the application would not be necessary, then the hearing 11 12 requirement of subsection (2) of this section shall only be required 13 if, (a) after publishing a notice of the proposed application in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the 14 offices of the financial institution to be merged or acquired are 15 located and (b) after giving notice to all financial institutions 16 located within such county or counties, the director receives a 17 18 substantive objection to the application within fifteen days after the first day of publication. The director shall send the notice to 19 20 financial institutions by first-class mail, postage prepaid, or electronic mail. Electronic mail may be used if the financial 21 institution agrees in advance to receive such notices by electronic 22 23 mail. A financial institution may designate (i) one office for receipt of any such notice if it has more than one office located 24 within the county where such notice is to be sent or (ii) a main 25

1 office in a county other than the county where such notice is to be

- 2 sent.
- 3 (4) The expense of any publication and mailing required
- 4 by this section shall be paid by the applicant.
- 5 Sec. 5. Section 21-17,115, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 6 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 7 21-17,115 Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of
- 8 the Credit Union Act or any other Nebraska statute, any credit union
- 9 incorporated under the laws of the State of Nebraska and organized
- 10 under the provisions of the act shall have all the rights, powers,
- 11 privileges, benefits, and immunities which may be exercised as of
- 12 January 1, 2010, 2011, by a federal credit union doing business in
- 13 Nebraska on the condition that such rights, powers, privileges,
- 14 benefits, and immunities shall not relieve such credit union from
- 15 payment of state taxes assessed under any applicable laws of this
- 16 state.
- 17 Sec. 6. Sections 3, 8, and 9 of this act become operative
- 18 three calendar months after the adjournment of this legislative
- 19 session. The other sections of this act become operative on their
- 20 effective date.
- 21 Sec. 7. Original sections 8-1,140, 8-355, 8-1510, and
- 22 21-17,115, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2010, are
- 23 repealed.
- Sec. 8. Original section 8-602, Revised Statutes
- 25 Cumulative Supplement, 2010, is repealed.

1 Sec. 9. The following section is outright repealed:

- 2 Section 8-132.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.
- 3 Sec. 10. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 4 when passed and approved according to law.