

CHAPTER 52

CREDIT UNIONS

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52.02 BYLAWS AND AMENDMENTS, APPROVAL.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1984]

Subd. 3. **Approval.** Amendments to the certificate of organization or bylaws must be approved by the commissioner of commerce before they become operative. The commissioner shall not unreasonably withhold approval if the amendments do not violate any provision of this chapter or other state law. In any event, the commissioner shall approve or disapprove the proposed amendment within 60 days of the date the proposed amendment is submitted to the commissioner by the credit union. In case of disapproval the credit union shall have the right to appeal to a court of competent jurisdiction within the time limits stated in section 52.01, clause (5). In case any amendment to the certificate of organization is adopted, the resolution, containing a full text of the amendment and verified by its president or treasurer and approved by the commissioner of commerce, shall be recorded in the office of the secretary of state.

History: *1Sp1985 c 13 s 185*

52.04 POWERS.

Subdivision 1. A credit union has the following powers:

(1) to offer its members and other credit unions various classes of shares, share certificates, deposits, or deposit certificates;

(2) to receive the savings of its members either as payment on shares or as deposits, including the right to conduct Christmas clubs, vacation clubs, and other thrift organizations within its membership;

(3) to make loans to members for provident or productive purposes as provided in section 52.16;

(4) to make loans to a cooperative society or other organization having membership in the credit union;

(5) to deposit in state and national banks and trust companies authorized to receive deposits;

(6) to invest in any investment legal for savings banks or for trust funds in the state and, notwithstanding clause (3), to invest in and make loans of unsecured days funds (federal funds or similar unsecured loans) to financial institutions insured by an agency of the federal government and a member of the Federal Reserve System or required to maintain reserves at the Federal Reserve;

(7) to borrow money as hereinafter indicated;

(8) to adopt and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure;

(9) to make payments on shares of and deposit with any other credit union chartered by this or any other state or operating under the provisions of the federal Credit Union Act, in amounts not exceeding in the aggregate 25 percent of its unimpaired assets. However, payments on shares of and deposit with credit unions chartered by other states are restricted to credit unions insured by the National

Credit Union Administration. The restrictions imposed by this clause do not apply to share accounts and deposit accounts of the Minnesota corporate credit union in United States central credit union or to share accounts and deposit accounts of credit unions in the Minnesota corporate credit union;

(10) to contract with any licensed insurance company or society to insure the lives of members to the extent of their share accounts, in whole or in part, and to pay all or a portion of the premium therefor;

(11) to indemnify each director, officer, or committee member, or former director, officer, or committee member against all expenses, including attorney's fees but excluding amounts paid pursuant to a judgment or settlement agreement, reasonably incurred by him in connection with or arising out of any action, suit, or proceeding to which he is a party by reason of being or having been a director, officer, or committee member of the credit union, except with respect to matters as to which he is finally adjudged in the action, suit, or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. The indemnification is not exclusive of any other rights to which he may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of members, or otherwise;

(12) upon written authorization from a member, retained at the credit union, to make payments to third parties by withdrawals from the member's share or deposit accounts or through proceeds of loans made to such member, or by permitting the credit union to make those payments from the member's funds prior to deposit; to permit draft withdrawals from member accounts, but a credit union proposing to permit draft withdrawals shall notify the commissioner of commerce, in the form prescribed, of its intent not less than 90 days prior to authorizing draft withdrawals. The board of directors of a credit union may restrict one class of shares to the extent that it may not be redeemed, withdrawn, or transferred except upon termination of membership in the credit union;

(13) to inform its members as to the availability of various group purchasing plans which are related to the promotion of thrift or the borrowing of money for provident and productive purposes by means of informational materials placed in the credit union's office, through its publications, or by direct mailings to members by the credit union;

(14) to facilitate its members' voluntary purchase of types of insurance incidental to promotion of thrift or the borrowing of money for provident and productive purposes including, but not limited to the following types of group or individual insurance: Fire, theft, automobile, life and temporary disability; to be the policy holder of a group insurance plan or a subgroup under a master policy plan and to disseminate information to its members concerning the insurance provided thereunder; to remit premiums to an insurer or the holder of a master policy on behalf of a credit union member, if the credit union obtains written authorization from the member for remittance by share or deposit withdrawals or through proceeds of loans made by the members, or by permitting the credit union to make the payments from the member's funds prior to deposit; and to accept from the insurer reimbursement for expenses incurred or in the case of credit life and accident and health insurance within the meaning of chapter 62B commissions for the handling of the insurance. The amount reimbursed or the commissions received may constitute the general income of the credit union. The directors, officers, committee members and employees of a credit union shall not profit on any insurance sale facilitated through the credit unions;

(15) to contract with another credit union to furnish services which either could otherwise perform. Contracted services under this clause are subject to regulation and examination by the commissioner of commerce like other services;

(16) in furtherance of the twofold purpose of promoting thrift among its members and creating a source of credit for them at legitimate rates of interest for provident purposes, and not in limitation of the specific powers hereinbefore conferred, to have all the powers enumerated, authorized, and permitted by this chapter, and such other rights, privileges and powers incidental to, or necessary for, the accomplishment of the objectives and purposes of the credit union;

(17) to rent safe deposit boxes to its members if the credit union obtains adequate insurance or bonding coverage for losses which might result from the rental of safe deposit boxes;

(18) notwithstanding the provisions of section 52.05, to accept deposits of public funds in an amount secured by insurance or other means pursuant to chapter 118;

(19) to accept and maintain treasury tax and loan accounts of the United States and to pledge collateral to secure the treasury tax or loan accounts, in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Treasury of the United States;

(20) to accept deposits pursuant to section 149.12, notwithstanding the provisions of section 52.05, if the deposits represent funding of prepaid funeral plans of members;

(21) to sell, in whole or in part, real estate secured loans provided that:

(a) the loan is secured by a first lien;

(b) the board of directors approves the sale;

(c) if the sale is partial, the agreement to sell a partial interest shall, at a minimum:

(i) identify the loan or loans covered by the agreement;

(ii) provide for the collection, processing, remittance of payments of principal and interest, taxes and insurance premiums and other charges or escrows, if any;

(iii) define the responsibilities of each party in the event the loan becomes subject to collection, loss or foreclosure;

(iv) provide that in the event of loss, each owner shall share in the loss in proportion to its interest in the loan or loans;

(v) provide for the distribution of payments of principal to each owner proportionate to its interest in the loan or loans;

(vi) provide for loan status reports;

(vii) state the terms and conditions under which the agreement may be terminated or modified; and

(d) the sale is without recourse or repurchase unless the agreement:

(i) requires repurchase of a loan because of any breach of warranty or misrepresentation;

(ii) allows the seller to repurchase at its discretion; or

(iii) allows substitution of one loan for another;

(22) in addition to the sale of loans secured by a first lien on real estate, to sell, pledge, discount, or otherwise dispose of, in whole or in part, to any source, a loan or group of loans, other than a self-replenishing line of credit; provided, that within a calendar year beginning January 1 the total dollar value of loans sold, other than loans secured by real estate or insured by a state or federal agency, shall not exceed 25 percent of the dollar amount of all loans and participating interests in loans held by the credit union at the beginning of the calendar year, unless otherwise authorized in writing by the commissioner;

(23) to designate the par value of the shares of the credit union by board resolution;

(24) to exercise by resolution the powers set forth in United States Code, title 12, section 1757, as amended through August 1, 1985. Before exercising each power, the board must submit a plan to the commissioner of commerce detailing implementation of the power to be used.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1985 c 137 s 3]

History: 1985 c 137 s 1

52.13 DEPOSITS IN NAME OF MINOR.

Any deposit made in the name of a minor, or shares issued in a minor's name, shall be held for the exclusive right and benefit of the minor, free from the control or lien of all other persons except creditors, and together with the dividends or interest thereon shall be paid to the minor; and the minor's receipt, check, or acquittance in any form shall be a sufficient release and discharge of the depository for the deposits or shares, or any part thereof, until a conservator or guardian appointed for the minor shall have delivered a certificate of appointment to the depository.

History: 1985 c 292 s 6

52.131 MULTIPARTY ACCOUNTS.

When any deposit is made in the names of two or more persons jointly, or by any person payable on death (P.O.D.) to another, or by any person in trust for another, the rights of the parties and the financial institution are determined by chapter 528.

History: 1985 c 292 s 7

52.24 MANDATORY SHARE AND DEPOSIT INSURANCE.

Subdivision 1. **Insurance accounts.** Every credit union under the supervision of the commissioner of commerce shall at all times maintain in effect insurance of member share and deposit accounts under the provisions of title II of the National Credit Union Act. A credit union which fails to meet this requirement for insurance of its share and deposit accounts shall either dissolve or merge with another credit union which is insured under title II of the National Credit Union Act.

Subd. 2. **Certificate of approval.** No credit union shall be granted a certificate of approval by the commissioner of commerce unless the credit union has obtained a commitment for insurance of its member share and deposit accounts under the provisions of title II of the National Credit Union Act.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1984]

History: 1Sp1985 c 13 s 186,187