## SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5097

A bill to amend 2005 PA 244, entitled "Deferred presentment service transactions act," by amending the title and sections 2, 11, 13, 15, 17, 22, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 45, 51, and 53 (MCL 487.2122, 487.2131, 487.2133, 487.2135, 487.2137, 487.2142, 487.2151, 487.2152, 487.2153, 487.2154, 487.2155, 487.2156, 487.2165, 487.2171, and 487.2173), section 2 as amended by 2016 PA 140 and section 35 as amended by 2016 PA 141, and by adding sections 31a and 32a.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

2 An act to regulate the business of providing deferred 3 presentment service transactions; to require the licensing of

providers of deferred presentment service transactions; to





- 1 authorize licensed providers of deferred presentment service
- 2 transactions to make certain small loans; to prescribe powers and
- 3 duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe
- 4 penalties and provide remedies.
- 5 Sec. 2. (1) As used in this act:
- 6 (a) "Applicant" means a person that is seeking a license to
- 7 engage in the business of providing deferred presentment service
- 8 transactions and small loans under this act.
- 9 (b) "Check" means a draft that is payable on demand and drawn
- 10 on a bank, savings bank, savings and loan association, or credit
- 11 union. Check includes any negotiable instrument that represents
- 12 evidence of an obligation to pay even if it is described on its
- 13 face by another term.
- 14 (c) "Closed" in means 1 of the following, as applicable:
- 15 (i) In connection with a small loan, that the loan is fully 16 paid or satisfied.
- 17 (ii) In connection with a deferred presentment service
- 18 transaction, means—that 1 of the following has occurred concerning
- 19 each of the customer's checks that is the basis of the deferred
- 20 presentment service transaction:
- 21 (A) (i)—The check is redeemed by the customer by payment to the
- 22 licensee of the face amount of the check in cash or payment from a
- 23 debit card that meets the requirements of section 35(11).
- **24 (B)** (ii)—The check is exchanged by the licensee for a cashier's
- 25 check or cash from the customer's financial institution.
- **26 (C)** <del>(iii)</del> The check is deposited by the licensee and the
- 27 licensee has evidence that the person has satisfied the obligation.
- **28 (D)** <del>(iv)</del> The check is collected by the licensee or its agent
- 29 through any civil remedy available under the laws of this state.

- (E) (ν) The check is collected by means of a repayment plan
   agreed on by the customer and the licensee or as the result of
   credit counseling where the licensee is paid the amount agreed upon
   by the licensee under that plan.
- (F) (vi) The check is collected by the licensee under section
  35(9) and the licensee has evidence that the person has satisfied
  the obligation.
- 8 (d) "Commissioner" means the director or his or her authorized9 representative.
  - (e) "Customer" means an 1 of the following, as applicable:
  - (i) An individual who requests information about the availability of, or applies for, a small loan or who enters into a small loan agreement with a licensee.
- 14 (ii) An individual who inquires into requests information about
  15 the availability of or applies for a deferred presentment service
  16 transaction or a drawer who enters into a deferred presentment
  17 service transaction.
  - (f) "Database provider" means 1 of the following:
- (i) A third party provider selected by the director under
  section 22 to operate the statewide database described in that
  section.
- 22 (ii) If the director has not selected a third party provider 23 under section 22, the director.
- 24 (g) Subject to subsection (2), "deferred presentment service
  25 transaction" means a transaction between a licensee and a customer
  26 under which the licensee agrees to do all of the following:
- (i) Pay to the customer an agreed-upon amount in exchange for a fee.
- 29 (ii) Hold a customer's check for a period of time before

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- 1 negotiation, redemption, or presentment of the checks.
- (h) "Department" means the department of insurance andfinancial services.
- 4 (i) "Director" means the director of the department or his or5 her authorized representative.
- (j) "Drawee" means a bank, savings bank, savings and loanassociation, credit union, or other person on which a check isdrawn.
- 9 (k) "Drawer" means a customer who enters into a deferred10 presentment service transaction with a licensee.
- 11 (l) "Executive officer" means an officer or director of a
  12 licensee or any other individual who has the authority to
  13 participate in the direction, directly or indirectly, through 1 or
  14 more persons, or the management or policies of a licensee.
- (m) "Financial licensing act" means this act or any of the financial licensing acts as defined in section 2 of the consumer financial services act, 1988 PA 161, MCL 487.2052.
- (n) "Licensee" means a person that is licensed to engage in the business of providing deferred presentment service transactions and authorized to make small loans under this act.
  - (o) "Maturity date" means the 1 of the following, as applicable:
- 23 (i) The date a small loan, or the last installment of the small 24 loan, is due.
- (ii) The date on which a drawer's check is to be redeemed,presented for payment, or entered into the check-clearing processin a deferred presentment service transaction.
- (p) "Office" or "office of financial and insurance services"means the department.



- (q) "Person" means an individual, partnership, association,
   corporation, limited liability company, or other legal entity
   except a governmental entity.
- 4 (r) "Redeem" means that the customer pays to the licensee an
  5 amount equal to the face amount of a check included in a deferred
  6 presentment service transaction, on or before the maturity date or
  7 after the check is deposited and returned unpaid by the drawee, and
  8 the licensee returns the check to the customer.
  - (s) With respect to an existing small loan, "renewal" means renewing, repaying, refinancing, or consolidating the existing small loan with the proceeds of another small loan or a deferred presentment service transaction. The term renewal does not include the conversion of a deferred presentment service transaction to a small loan.
- 15 (t) Subject to subsection (3), "small loan" means a loan made 16 by a licensee that meets all of the following:
- 17 (i) The loan is made to 1 or more individuals for personal, 18 family, or household use.
- 19 (ii) The principal amount of the loan does not exceed 20 \$2,500.00.
- 21 (iii) The maturity date for the loan is not fewer than 90 days 22 after the date of the transaction.
- (iv) The loan is unsecured and payable in substantially equal installments.
- 25 (2) Deferred presentment service transaction does not include 26 a delay in presentment of a loan repayment check, at the request of 27 the borrower, customer, by a person that is licensed or registered 28 under the consumer financial services act, 1988 PA 161, MCL 29 487.2051 to 487.2072, the regulatory loan act, 1939 PA 21, MCL
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- 1 493.1 to 493.24, the secondary mortgage loan act, 1981 PA 125, MCL
- 2 493.51 to 493.81, the motor vehicle sales finance act, 1950 (Ex
- 3 Sess) PA 27, MCL 492.101 to 492.141, 1984 PA 379, MCL 493.101 to
- 4 493.114, the money transmission services act, 2006 PA 250, MCL
- 5 487.1001 to 487.1047, or the mortgage brokers, lenders, and
- 6 servicers licensing act, 1987 PA 173, MCL 445.1651 to 445.1684.a
- 7 financial licensing act.
- 8 (3) Small loan does not include a loan or other extension of 9 credit that is made by a person that is licensed or registered
- 10 under a financial licensing act or by an entity described in
- 11 section 11(2).
- Sec. 11. (1) Subject to subsection (2), a person shall not
- 13 engage in the business of providing deferred presentment service
- 14 transactions after June 1, 2006 without a license under this act. A
- 15 separate license is required for each location from which the
- 16 business of providing deferred presentment service transactions or
- 17 small loans is conducted.
- 18 (2) This act does not apply to a state or nationally chartered
- 19 bank or a state or federally chartered savings and loan
- 20 association, savings bank, or credit union whose deposits or member
- 21 accounts are insured by an agency of the United States government.
- 22 (3) By January 1, 2006, the commissioner by administrative
- 23 bulletin, order, or rule shall establish an application process and
- 24 an application timeline for license applications under this act.
- 25 (4) A person may continue to engage in the business of
- 26 providing deferred presentment service transactions in this state
- 27 after June 1, 2006 and without a license until 1 of the following
- 28 occurs:
- 29 (a) The person fails to meet its applications deadline.

- (b) The commissioner acts on the person's complete
   application.
- 3 (5) Within 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory
  4 act that added section 31a, the commissioner by administrative
  5 bulletin, order, or rule shall make any revisions to the
  6 application process and timeline described in subsection (3) that
  7 the commissioner determines are necessary to reflect the authority
  8 of licensees to engage in the business of providing small loans.
- 9 Sec. 13. (1) An applicant for a license under this act shall submit an application for a license to the commissioner. Each application for a license shall must be in writing and under oath, in a form prescribed by the commissioner, and shall must include all of the following information:
- (a) The name, street address, and telephone number of the business location within this state from which the applicant will offer deferred presentment service transactions or small loans, if available.
  - (b) The legal name, residence, street address, and telephone number and business address of the applicant and, if the applicant is not an individual, of each executive officer and each person who that directly or indirectly owns or controls 10% or more of the ownership interest in the applicant.
  - (c) If the applicant will not operate a physical business location in this state, or if in addition to the location described in subdivision (a) the applicant will make deferred presentment service transactions or small loans by other means, a detailed description of the manner in which deferred presentment service transactions or small loans will be offered to customers in this state.

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- (d) Any other information the commissioner considers necessary
   under this act.
- 3 (2) An applicant shall include an application fee in an amount
  4 determined by the commissioner with the application described in
  5 subsection (1).
- Sec. 15. (1) After the commissioner receives a completed license application, the commissioner shall investigate to determine whether the requirements of this act are satisfied. If the commissioner finds that the requirements of this act are satisfied, the commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license to engage in deferred presentment service transactions and make small loans.
- (2) A licensee shall post a copy of its license in aconspicuous location at the place of business of the licensee.
- Sec. 17. (1) A license issued under this article is not transferable or assignable.
  - (2) The prior written approval of the commissioner is required for the continued operation of a licensee if there is a change in control of that licensee. The commissioner may require information considered necessary to determine whether a new application is required. The person that requests the approval shall pay the cost incurred by the commissioner in investigating the change of control request.
    - (3) A licensee shall do all of the following:
- 25 (a) At least 15 days before providing deferred presentment 26 service transactions or small loans at any new location or under 27 section 13(1)(c), provide written notice to the commissioner on a 28 form prescribed by the commissioner of the name, street address, 29 and telephone number of the new location or the detailed

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- 1 description required in section 13(1)(c).
- 2 (b) At least 15 days before discontinuing deferred presentment
- 3 service transactions or small loans at any existing location or
- 4 under section 13(1)(c), provide written notice to the commissioner
- 5 on a form prescribed by the commissioner of the name, street
- 6 address, and telephone number of the discontinued location or the
- 7 detailed description of the services required in section 13(1)(c).
- **8** (4) A licensee shall comply with any request for information
- 9 or documentation made by the commissioner under this act and shall
- 10 comply with any reasonable written time deadlines imposed by the
- 11 commissioner on that request.
- 12 (5) As used in this section, "control" means 1 of the
- 13 following:
- 14 (a) For a corporation, direct or indirect ownership of, or the
- 15 right to control, 10% or more of the voting shares of the
- 16 corporation, or the ability of a person to elect a majority of the
- 17 directors or otherwise effect a change in policy.
- 18 (b) For any entity other than a corporation, the ability to
- 19 change the principals of the organization, whether active or
- 20 passive.
- Sec. 22. (1) On or before December 31, 2006, the commissioner
- 22 shall develop, implement, and maintain a statewide, common database
- 23 that has real-time access through an internet connection, is
- 24 accessible at all time to licensees, and to the commissioner for
- 25 purposes of subsections (10) and (11), and meets the requirements
- 26 of this section. Before the commissioner determines that the
- 27 database is fully operational for the purposes of this act, for at
- 28 least 30 days the database provider shall operate a pilot program
- 29 of the database to test all of the processes of the database. The

- 1 database provider shall make the pilot program available to all
- 2 applicants and licensees. During the 30-day period that begins on
- 3 the date the commissioner determines that the database is fully
- 4 operational, the commissioner shall not approve the imposition of
- 5 any database verification fees under section 34(5). Within 90 days
- 6 after the effective date of the amendatory act that added section
- 7 31a, the commissioner shall implement any changes to the database
- 8 that the commissioner determines are necessary to include small
- 9 loans in the database for the purposes of this act.
  - (2) The commissioner may operate the database described in subsection (1) or may select and contract with a single third party provider to operate the database. If the commissioner contracts with a third party provider for the operation of the database, all of the following apply:
- (a) The commissioner shall ensure that the third party
  provider selected as the database provider operates the database
  pursuant to in accordance with the provisions of this act.
  - (b) The commissioner shall consider cost of service and ability to meet all the requirements of this section in selecting a third party provider as the database provider.
  - (c) In selecting a third party provider to act as the database provider, the commissioner shall give strong consideration to the third party provider's ability to prevent fraud, abuse, and other unlawful activity associated with deferred presentment service transactions or small loans and provide additional tools for the administration and enforcement of this act.
  - (d) The third party provider shall only use the data collected under this act as prescribed in this act and the contract with the office department and for no other purpose.

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- (e) If the third party provider violates this section, the
   commissioner shall terminate the contract and the third party
   provider is barred from becoming a party to any other state
   contracts.
- (f) A person injured by the third party provider's violation
  of this act may maintain a civil cause of action against the third
  party provider and may recover actual damages plus reasonable
  attorney fees.
- 9 (3) The database described in subsection (1) shall allow a
  10 licensee accessing the database to do all of the following:
- (a) Verify whether a customer has any open deferred
  presentment service transactions or small loans with any licensee
  that have not been closed.
- (b) Provide information necessary to ensure licensee
  compliance with any requirements imposed by the federal office of foreign asset control Office of Foreign Assets Control under
  federal law.
  - (c) Track and monitor the number of customers who notify a licensee of violations of this act, the number of times a licensee agreed that a violation occurred, the number of times that a licensee did not agree that a violation occurred, the amount of restitution paid, and any other information the commissioner requires by rule.
- (d) Determine whether a customer is eligible for repayment of the deferred presentment service transaction in installments as provided in section 35(2) and notify the licensee of that eligibility.
- 28 (4) While operating the database, the database provider shall
  29 do all of the following:

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- (a) Establish and maintain a process for responding to
   transaction verification requests due to technical difficulties
   occurring with the database that prevent the licensee from
   accessing the database through the internet.
  - (b) Comply with any applicable provisions of the social security number privacy act, 2004 PA 454, MCL 445.81 to 445.87.
  - (c) Comply with any applicable provisions of the identity theft protection act, 2004 PA 452, MCL 445.61 to 445.77.445.79d.
  - (d) Provide accurate and secure receipt, transmission, and storage of customer data.
  - (e) Provide to a licensee access to the data reported by that licensee.
  - (f) Provide industry-aggregated data to a licensee upon request and within a reasonable period of time.
    - (g) (e) Meet the requirements of this act.
  - (5) When the database provider receives notification that a deferred presentment service transaction or small loan is closed under section 34, the database provider shall designate the transaction or loan as closed in the database immediately, but in no event after 11:59 p.m. on the day the commissioner or database provider receives notification.
  - deferred presentment service transaction or small loan as closed in the database 5 days after the transaction or loan maturity date unless a licensee reports to the database provider before that time that the transaction or loan remains open because of the customer's failure to make payment, ; that, in connection with a deferred presentment service transaction, the transaction is open because the customer's check or an electronic redeposit is in the process

- of clearing the banking system, + or that the transaction remains 1 2 open because the customer's check is being returned to the licensee for insufficient funds, a closed account, or a stop payment order, 3 or any other factors determined by the commissioner. If a licensee 4 5 reports the status of a deferred presentment service transaction or 6 small loan as open in a timely manner, the transaction or loan 7 remains an open transaction or loan until it is closed under 8 section 34 and the database provider is notified that the 9 transaction or loan is closed under that section.
- 10 (7) If a licensee stops providing deferred presentment service 11 transactions or small loans, the database provider shall designate all open transactions with that licensee as closed in the database 12 60 days after the date the licensee stops offering deferred 13 14 presentment service transactions or small loans, unless the 15 licensee reports to the database provider before the expiration of 16 the 60-day period which of its transactions or loans remain open 17 and the specific reason each transaction or loan remains open. The 18 licensee shall also provide to the commissioner a reasonably acceptable plan that outlines how the licensee will continue to 19 20 update the database after it stops offering deferred presentment service transactions or small loans. The commissioner shall 21 22 promptly approve or disapprove the plan and immediately notify the 23 licensee of his or her decision. If the plan is disapproved, the licensee may submit a new plan or may submit a modified plan for 24 25 the licensee to follow. If at any time the commissioner reasonably 26 determines that a licensee that has stopped offering deferred presentment service transactions or small loans is not updating the 27 28 database in accordance with its approved plan, the commissioner 29 shall immediately close or instruct the database provider to

- 1 immediately close all remaining open transactions or loans of that
  2 licensee.
- (8) The response to an inquiry to the database provider by a 3 licensee shall only state that a person is eligible or ineligible 4 5 for a new deferred presentment service transaction or small loan 6 and describe the reason for that determination. Only the person 7 seeking the deferred presentment service transaction or small loan 8 may make a direct inquiry to the database provider to request a 9 more detailed explanation of a particular transaction or loan that 10 was the basis for the ineligibility determination. Any information 11 regarding any person's transactional deferred presentment service transaction or small loan history is confidential, is not subject 12 to public inspection, is not a public record subject to the 13 14 disclosure requirements of the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 15 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246, is not subject to discovery, subpoena, or other compulsory process, except in an action under section 53, 16 17 and shall not be disclosed to any person other than the commissioner. 18
- (9) The database provider may charge licensees a verification
  fee for access to the database, in amounts approved by the
  commissioner under section 34(5).
  - (10) The commissioner may access the database provided under subsection (1) only for purposes of an investigation of, examination of, or enforcement action concerning, an individual database provider, licensee, customer, or other person. The commissioner and any employees of the commissioner, the office, or this state shall not obtain or access a customer's social security Social Security number, driver license number, or other state-issued identification number in the database except as provided in

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- 1 this subsection. An individual who violates this subsection is
- 2 quilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more
- 3 than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both, and if
- 4 convicted, an individual who violates this subsection shall be
- 5 dismissed from office or discharged from employment.
- 6 (11) The commissioner shall investigate violations of and 7 enforce this section. The commissioner shall not delegate its
- 8 responsibilities under this subsection to any third party provider.
  - (12) The commissioner shall do all of the following:
- (a) Require by rule that data are be retained in the database
  only as required to ensure licensee compliance with this act.
  - (b) Require by rule that data in the database concerning a customer deferred presentment service transaction are or small loan be archived within 365 days after the customer transaction or loan is closed unless needed for a pending enforcement action.
  - (c) Require by rule that any identifying customer information is be deleted from the database when data are is archived.
    - (d) Require by rule that data in the database concerning a customer deferred presentment service transaction are or small loan be deleted from the database 3 years after the customer transaction or loan is closed or any enforcement action pending 3 years after the customer transaction or loan is closed is completed, whichever is later.
  - (13) The commissioner may maintain access to data archived under subsection (12) for future legislative or policy review.
- Sec. 31. (1) A licensee shall post prominently in an area designed to be seen by the customer before he or she enters into a deferred presentment service transaction the following notice in at least 36-point type:

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- "1. A deferred presentment service transaction is not intended
  to meet long-term financial needs. We can only defer cashing your
  check for up to 31 days.
- 4 2. You should use this service only to meet short-term cash needs.
- 3. State law prohibits us from entering into a transaction with you if you already have a deferred presentment service agreement or small loan agreement in effect with us or have more than one deferred presentment service agreement or a small loan agreement in effect with any other person who provides this service.
- 4. If you enter into a deferred presentment service
  transaction with us, we must immediately give you a copy of your
  signed agreement.
  - 5. We will may pay the proceeds of a deferred presentment service transaction to you by check, by money order, or in cash, as you request.or by any other means mutually acceptable and we are not permitted to subject you to any additional fees.
  - 6. State law entitles you to the right to cancel an a deferred presentment service agreement and receive a refund of the fee. To do this, if you enter into a transaction today, you must notify us and return the money you receive by the time this office closes tomorrow or on our next business day if we are not open tomorrow.
  - 7. State law prohibits us from renewing an a deferred presentment service agreement for a fee. You have to pay any other deferred presentment service agreement or small loan agreement in full before obtaining additional money from us.
- 8. State law prohibits us from using any criminal process to
  collect on an a deferred presentment service agreement.

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- 9. State law entitles you to information regarding filing a complaint against us if you believe that we have violated the law.

  If you feel we are acting unlawfully, you should call the Office of Financial and Insurance Services Department of Insurance and
- 5 Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.
- 6 10. If you are unable to pay your deferred presentment service 7 transaction and have entered into 8 deferred presentment service 8 transactions with any licensee in any 12-month period, state law 9 entitles you to request a repayment of that transaction in 10 installments. We are required to advise you of this option at the 11 time it is available. If you elect this option, you must notify us, either orally or in writing, within 30 days after the maturity date 12 of the deferred presentment transaction. The notice must be 13 14 provided to us at our place of business. You may be charged an 15 additional fee when the transaction is rescheduled in installments. 16 You will be ineligible to enter into a deferred presentment service 17 transaction with any licensee during the term of the repayment
- at 1-877-999-6442.".

  (2) A licensee shall post prominently in an area designed to
  be seen by the customer before he or she enters into a deferred
  presentment service transaction a schedule of all fees and charges

plan. If we refuse to provide this option under the stipulations

above, you should contact the Office of Financial and Insurance

Services Department of Insurance and Financial Services toll-free

- imposed for deferred presentment service transactions in at least36-point type.
- Sec. 31a. (1) A licensee shall post prominently in an area designed to be seen by the customer before he or she enters into a small loan agreement the following notice in at least 36-point

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- 1 type:
- 2 "1. State law prohibits us from entering into a small loan
- 3 agreement with you if you already have a deferred presentment
- 4 service agreement or small loan agreement in effect with us or have
- 5 more than one deferred presentment service agreement or a small
- 6 loan agreement in effect with any other person who provides this
- 7 service.
- 8 2. If you enter into a small loan agreement with us, we must
- 9 immediately give you a copy of your signed agreement.
- 3. We may pay the proceeds of a small loan to you by check, by
- 11 money order, in cash, or by any other means mutually acceptable and
- 12 we are not permitted to subject you to any additional fees.
- 13 4. State law entitles you to the right to cancel this
- 14 agreement and receive a refund of the fee. To do this, you must
- 15 notify us and return the money you receive within 3 business days
- 16 beginning from the day after you enter into a small loan agreement
- 17 with us.
- 18 5. State law prohibits us from using any criminal process to
- 19 collect on a deferred presentment service agreement.
- 20 6. State law entitles you to information regarding filing a
- 21 complaint against us if you believe that we have violated the law.
- 22 If you feel we are acting unlawfully, you should call the
- 23 Department of Insurance and Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-
- 24 999-6442.".
- 25 (2) A licensee shall post prominently in an area designed to
- 26 be seen by the customer before he or she enters into a small loan a
- 27 schedule of all fees and charges imposed for small loans in at
- 28 least 36-point type.
- 29 Sec. 32. (1) A licensee shall document a deferred presentment



- service transaction by entering into a written deferred presentmentservice agreement signed by both the customer and the licensee.
- 3 (2) A licensee shall include all of the following in the 4 written deferred presentment service agreement:
  - (a) The name of the customer.

- 6 (b) The name, street address, facsimile number, and telephone7 number of the licensee.
- 8 (c) The signature and printed or typed name of the individual
  9 who enters into the deferred presentment service agreement on
  10 behalf of the licensee.
- 11 (d) The date of the transaction.
- (e) The transaction number assigned by the database provider,if any.
- (f) The amount of the check presented to the licensee by the customer.
- 16 (g) An itemization of the fees to be paid by the customer.
- (h) A calculation of the cost of the fees and charges to thecustomer, expressed as a percentage rate per year.
- (i) A clear description of the customer's payment obligationunder the agreement.
- 21 (j) A schedule of all fees associated with the deferred
  22 presentment service transaction and an example of the amounts the
  23 customer would pay based on the amount of the deferred presentment
  24 service transaction.
- 25 (k) The maturity date.
- (1) A provision that the licensee will defer presentment, defer
  negotiation, and defer entering a check into the check-clearing
  process until the maturity date.
- 29 (m) A description of the process a drawer may use to file a

- 1 complaint against the licensee.
- 2 (n) The following notice in at least 12-point type:
- 3 "1. A deferred presentment service transaction is not intended
- 4 to meet long-term financial needs. We can only defer cashing your
- 5 check for up to 31 days.
- 2. You should use this service only to meet short-term cashneeds.
- 8 3. State law prohibits us from entering into this transaction
- 9 with you if you already have a deferred presentment service
- 10 agreement or small loan agreement in effect with us or have more
- 11 than one deferred presentment service agreement or a small loan
- 12 agreement in effect with any other person who provides this
- 13 service.
- 4. We must immediately give you a copy of your signed
- 15 agreement.
- 5. We will may pay the proceeds of this transaction to you by
- 17 check, by money order, or in cash, as you request.or by any other
- 18 means mutually acceptable and we are not permitted to subject you
- 19 to any additional fees.
- 20 6. State law entitles you to the right to cancel this
- 21 agreement and receive a refund of the fee. To do this, you must
- 22 notify us and return the money you receive today by the time this
- 23 office closes tomorrow or on our next business day if we are not
- 24 open tomorrow.
- 7. State law prohibits us from renewing this agreement for a
- 26 fee. You have to pay an agreement in full before obtaining
- 27 additional money from us.
- 28 8. State law prohibits us from using any criminal process to
- 29 collect on this agreement.



- 9. State law entitles you to information regarding filing a complaint against us if you believe that we have violated the law.

  If you feel we are acting unlawfully, you should call the Office of Financial and Insurance Services Department of Insurance and

  Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.
- 6 10. If you are unable to pay your deferred presentment service 7 transaction and have entered into 8 deferred presentment service 8 transactions with any licensee in any 12-month period, state law 9 entitles you to request a repayment of that transaction in 10 installments. We are required to advise you of this option at the 11 time it is available. If you elect this option, you must notify us, either orally or in writing, within 30 days after the maturity date 12 of the deferred presentment transaction. The notice must be 13 14 provided to us at our place of business. You may be charged an 15 additional fee when the transaction is rescheduled in installments. 16 You will be ineligible to enter into a deferred presentment service 17 transaction with any licensee during the term of the repayment 18 plan. If we refuse to provide this option under the stipulations 19 above, you should contact the Office of Financial and Insurance 20 Services Department of Insurance and Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.". 21
- 22 (3) A licensee may include an arbitration provision in a
  23 deferred presentment service transaction agreement if the
  24 arbitration provision meets all of the following:
- (a) Provides that the licensee agrees to pay any costs of thearbitration.
- (b) Provides that an arbitration proceeding shall be held
  within 10 miles of the drawer's address contained in the deferred
  presentment service transaction agreement unless the drawer

- 1 consents to another location after an arbitrable dispute occurs.
- 2 (c) Provides that an arbitration proceeding shall be conducted
- 3 by a neutral arbitrator who was not and is not currently being paid
- 4 by the licensee and who has no financial interest in a party to the
- 5 arbitration.
- 6 (d) Requires that the arbitrator shall provide the drawer with
- 7 all the substantive rights that the drawer would have if the
- 8 drawer's claim were asserted in a court proceeding and shall not
- 9 limit any other claim or defense the drawer has concerning the
- 10 claim.
- 11 Sec. 32a. (1) A licensee shall document a small loan by
- 12 entering into a written small loan agreement signed by both the
- 13 customer and the licensee.
- 14 (2) A licensee shall include all of the following in a written
- 15 small loan agreement:
- 16 (a) The name of the customer.
- 17 (b) The name, street address, facsimile number, and telephone
- 18 number of the licensee.
- 19 (c) The signature and printed or typed name of the individual
- 20 who enters into the small loan agreement on behalf of the licensee.
- 21 (d) The date of the transaction.
- 22 (e) The amount of the small loan.
- 23 (f) An itemization of the fees to be paid by the customer.
- 24 (g) A calculation of the cost of the fees and charges to the
- 25 customer, expressed as a percentage rate per year.
- 26 (h) A clear description of the customer's payment obligation
- 27 under the small loan agreement.
- (i) Except as otherwise provided under this subdivision, a
- 29 repayment schedule with installment payments of substantially equal



- 1 amounts of principal and service fees amortizing over the term of
- 2 the small loan such that the loan is repaid in full by the maturity
- 3 date. If the licensee and customer mutually agree, the repayment
- 4 schedule may provide for different payment amounts over the term of
- 5 the small loan. However, the repayment schedule shall not include a
- 6 payment due at the maturity date that is substantially larger than
- 7 any previously scheduled installment payment.
- 8 (j) A provision that allows the customer to prepay in full the
- 9 unpaid balance of the small loan at any time without any additional
- 10 interest, fee, or penalty.
- 11 (k) The maturity date.
- 12 (1) A description of the process a customer may use to file a
- 13 complaint against the licensee.
- 14 (m) The following notice in at least 12-point type:
- 15 "1. State law prohibits us from entering into this transaction
- 16 with you if you already have a small loan agreement or deferred
- 17 presentment service agreement in effect with us or have more than
- 18 one deferred presentment service agreement or a small loan
- 19 agreement in effect with any other person who provides this
- 20 service.
- 21 2. We must immediately give you a copy of your signed loan
- 22 agreement.
- 3. We may pay the proceeds of a small loan to you by check, by
- 24 money order, in cash, or by any other means mutually acceptable and
- 25 we are not permitted to subject you to any additional fees.
- 26 4. State law entitles you to the right to cancel this
- 27 agreement and receive a refund of the fee. To do this, you must
- 28 notify us and return the money you receive today within 3 business
- 29 days beginning from tomorrow.



- 5. State law prohibits us from using any criminal process to collect on this agreement.
- 3 6. State law entitles you to information regarding filing a
- 4 complaint against us if you believe that we have violated the law.
- 5 If you feel we are acting unlawfully, you should call the
- 6 Department of Insurance and Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-
- 7 999-6442.".
- 8 (3) A licensee may include an arbitration provision in a small
- 9 loan agreement if the arbitration provision meets all of the
- 10 following:
- 11 (a) Provides that the licensee agree to pay any costs of the
- 12 arbitration.
- 13 (b) Requires that the arbitration proceeding be held at a
- 14 location within 10 miles of the customer's address contained in the
- 15 small loan agreement unless the customer consents to another
- 16 location after an arbitrable dispute occurs.
- 17 (c) Requires that a neutral arbitrator who was not and is not
- 18 currently being paid by the licensee and who has no financial
- 19 interest in a party to the arbitration conduct the arbitration
- 20 proceeding.
- 21 (d) Requires that the arbitrator provide the customer with all
- 22 the substantive rights that the customer would have if the
- 23 customer's claim were asserted in a court proceeding and does not
- 24 limit any other claim or defense the customer has concerning the
- 25 claim.
- Sec. 33. (1) A—Subject to subsection (3), a licensee may enter
- 27 into 1-a single deferred presentment service transaction with a
- 28 customer for any amount up to \$600.00. All of the following apply
- 29 to a deferred presentment service transaction:



- (a) A licensee may charge the customer a service fee for each
   deferred presentment service transaction. A service fee is earned
   by the licensee on the date of the transaction and is not interest.
- 4 (b) A licensee may charge both of the following as part of the 5 service fee, as applicable:
- 6 (i)  $\frac{(a)}{(a)}$  An amount that does not exceed the aggregate of the following, as applicable:
- 8 (A) (i)—Fifteen percent of the first \$100.00 of the deferred9 presentment service transaction.
- 10 (B)  $\frac{(ii)}{(ii)}$  Fourteen percent of the second \$100.00 of the deferred presentment service transaction.
- 12 (C) (iii)—Thirteen percent of the third \$100.00 of the deferred presentment service transaction.
- 14 (D) (iv) Twelve percent of the fourth \$100.00 of the deferred15 presentment service transaction.
- 16 (E)  $\frac{(v)}{(v)}$  Eleven percent of the fifth \$100.00 of the deferred presentment service transaction.
- 18 (F)  $\frac{(\psi i)}{(\psi i)}$  Eleven percent of the sixth \$100.00 of the deferred presentment service transaction.
- 20 (ii) (b)—The amount of any database verification fee allowed 21 under section 34(5).
- 22 (2) Subject to subsection (3), a licensee may enter into a 23 single small loan agreement with a customer for any amount up to 24 \$2,500.00. All of the following apply to a small loan:
- 25 (a) A licensee may charge a customer a service fee for each 26 small loan. A licensee may charge both of the following as part of 27 the service fee, as applicable:
- 28 (i) A fee that does not exceed 11% of the amount of the small

- 1 loan and is not charged more frequently than monthly.
- 2 (ii) The amount of any database verification fee allowed under 3 section 34(5).
- 4 (b) A licensee shall not charge a prepayment penalty to the 5 customer for early payment.
  - (c) A licensee shall report to a credit reporting agency or agencies the terms of the loan and the customer's performance pursuant to those terms.
- 9 (d) When underwriting, making, or negotiating a small loan, in 10 determining the amount and duration of the loan, a licensee shall 11 take into consideration the customer's reasonable financial ability 12 to repay the loan in the time and manner provided in the 13 prospective small loan agreement.
  - (e) A licensee shall not charge interest under the agreement.
  - (3) (2)—A licensee shall not enter into a deferred presentment service transaction or small loan agreement with a customer if the customer has an open deferred presentment service transaction or small loan agreement with the licensee or has more than 1 open deferred presentment service transaction or a small loan agreement with any other licensee, and shall verify whether the customer has an open deferred presentment service transaction or small loan agreement with the licensee or has more than 1 open deferred presentment service transaction or a small loan agreement with any other licensee by complying with section 34. This subsection does not prohibit the use of the proceeds of a small loan to pay in full an existing deferred presentment service transaction with the licensee.
- 28 (4) A licensee shall comply with the requirements of 12 CFR 29 part 205 if the licensee accepts an authorization to make



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- 1 electronic payments from the customer's account in connection with
- 2 a deferred presentment service transaction or small loan agreement.
- 3 A licensee shall comply with the requirements of 12 CFR part 1041
- 4 applicable to covered loans in making a small loan or entering into
- 5 a small loan agreement.
- 6 (5) (3)—At the time of entering into a deferred presentment 7 service transaction, a licensee shall do all of the following:
- 8 (a) Before the drawer signs the agreement, provide the
  9 following notice to the drawer, in a document separate from the
  10 agreement and in at least 12-point type:
- "1. After signing this agreement, if you believe that we have
  violated the law, you may do 1 of the following:
- a. Before the close of business on the day you sign the
  agreement, notify us in person of the violation. You must provide
  supporting documents or other evidence of the violation.
- b. At any time before signing a new deferred presentment
  service agreement or small loan agreement with us, notify us in
  writing of the violation. Your written notice must state the
  violation and provide supporting documents or other evidence of the
  violation.
  - 2. We have 3 business days to determine if we agree that we have violated the law and let you know of that determination.
  - 3. If we agree that we have violated the law, we must return your check and you must return the cash received under the agreement. Additionally, for each violation, we must pay you restitution equal to 5 times the amount of the fee we charged you under the agreement but not less than \$15.00 or more than the face amount of your check. You may also pursue an action for your actual damages against us.

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- 4. If we do not agree that we have violated the law, we may present your check for payment or enter your check into the check-clearing process on or after the maturity date. If your check is returned to us unpaid, we may take other legal steps to collect our money.
- 6 5. If you still believe we violated the law, you may file a 7 written complaint including supporting documents or other evidence 8 with the Office of Financial and Insurance Department of Insurance 9 and Financial Services. The Office Department is required to 10 investigate your complaint and has the authority to order us to pay 11 you restitution if they agree that we violated the law. In 12 addition, the Office Department can order us to pay civil fines or take away our right to do business. To do so, contact the Office of 13 14 Financial and Insurance Department of Insurance and Financial 15 Services toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.".
- 16 (b) Provide a copy of the signed agreement to the drawer.
- (c) Pay the proceeds under the agreement to the drawer by delivering a business check of the licensee, a money order, or cash, as requested by the drawer.
- 20 (6) (4) At the time of entering into a deferred presentment
  21 service transaction, a licensee shall not do any of the following:
  - (a) Charge interest under the agreement.
- (b) Include a maturity date that is more than 31 days afterthe date of the transaction.
- (c) Charge an additional fee for cashing the licensee'sbusiness check or money order if the licensee pays the proceeds tothe drawer by business check or money order.
  - (d) Include a confession of judgment in the agreement.
- 29 (e) Except as provided in this act, charge or collect any



- 1 other fees for a deferred presentment service transaction.
- (7) (5) A licensee shall not refuse to provide a deferred
   presentment service transaction to a customer solely because the
   customer has exercised his or her rights under this act.
- 5 (8) (6) Each licensee shall post a sign, printed in bold
  6 faced, 36-point type, in a conspicuous location at each customer
  7 service window, station, or desk at each place of business, that
  8 states the following:

"Under Michigan law, you are entitled to receive the proceeds
of this transaction in cash. If you request the proceeds in a check
or money order, you may be charged additional check cashing or
other processing fees by others for cashing the check or money
order.".

- 14 Sec. 34. (1) A licensee shall verify a customer's eligibility 15 to enter into a deferred presentment service transaction or small 16 loan by doing 1 of the following, as applicable:
  - (a) If the commissioner has not implemented a database under section 22 or the database described in that section 22—is not fully operational, as determined by the commissioner, verifying that the customer does not have an open deferred presentment service transaction or small loan with the licensee. The licensee shall maintain a database of all of the licensee's deferred presentment service transactions and small loans at all of its locations and search that database to meet its obligation under this subdivision.
  - (b) If the commissioner has implemented a database under section 22 and the database described in that section is fully operational, as determined by the commissioner, accessing the database and verifying that the customer does not have an

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- outstanding deferred presentment service transaction or small loan
  with the licensee and does not have more than 1 open deferred
  presentment service transaction or a small loan that has not been
  fully repaid with any other licensee.
- 5 (2) If the commissioner has not implemented a database under 6 section 22, - the database described in that section is not fully 7 operational, as determined by the commissioner, ;—or the licensee 8 is unable to access the database and the alternative mechanism for 9 verification described in subsection (3) is also unavailable, as 10 determined by the commissioner, a licensee may rely upon the 11 written verification of the customer. borrower in a statement provided in substantially the following form in at least 12-point 12 13 type:
  - "I DO NOT HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE
    TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS LICENSEE AND I DO NOT HAVE MORE THAN ONE
    OUTSTANDING DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE TRANSACTION WITH ANY OTHER
    LICENSED DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE PROVIDER IN THIS STATE.".
  - (3) If a licensee is unable to access the database described in section 22 due to technical difficulties occurring with the database, as determined by the commissioner, the licensee shall utilize the process established in section 22(4) to verify deferred presentment service transactions and small loans.
  - (4) The commissioner may use the database to administer and enforce this act.
  - (5) If approved by the commissioner, the database provider may impose a database verification fee for the actual costs of entering, accessing, and verifying data in the database described in section 22 to verify that a customer does not have any other open deferred presentment service transactions or small loans with

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- 1 the licensee and does not have more than 1 open deferred
- 2 presentment service transaction or a small loan with any other
- 3 licensees. A database verification fee is payable to the database
- 4 provider in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. A licensee may
- 5 charge a customer all or part of the database verification fee
- 6 under section 33(1)(b) or (2)(a) but may not charge a customer any
- 7 other fee except as authorized in section 33(1) or (2) or 35(2).
- 8 (6) A licensee may rely on the information contained in the
- 9 database described in section 22 as accurate and is not subject to
- 10 any administrative penalty or civil liability as a result of
- 11 relying on inaccurate information contained in the database.
- 12 (7) Before entering into a deferred presentment service
- 13 transaction or small loan, a licensee shall submit to the database
- 14 provider the customer's name and address, the customer's social
- 15 security Social Security number, driver license number, or other
- 16 state-issued identification number, the amount of the transaction
- 17 or loan, the customer's check number if the customer is entering
- 18 into a deferred presentment service transaction, the date of the
- 19 transaction or loan, the maturity date of the transaction or loan,
- 20 and any other information reasonably required by the commissioner
- 21 or the database provider, in a format reasonably required by the
- 22 commissioner.
- 23 (8) When a deferred presentment service transaction or small
- 24 loan is closed, the licensee shall designate the transaction or
- 25 loan as closed and immediately notify the database provider, but in
- 26 no event after 11:59 p.m. on the day the transaction is closed. The

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- 27 commissioner shall assess an administrative fine of \$100.00 for
- 28 each day that the licensee fails to notify the database provider
- 29 that the transaction or loan has been closed. It is a defense to

- 1 the assessment of an administrative fine that notifying the
- 2 database provider was not possible due to temporary technical
- 3 problems with the database or to circumstances beyond the
- 4 licensee's control.
- 5 Sec. 35. (1) The following apply to the renewal of deferred 6 presentment service agreements and small loan agreements:
- 7 (a) A licensee shall not renew a deferred presentment service
- 8 agreement. A licensee may extend a deferred presentment service
- 9 agreement only if the licensee does not charge a fee in connection
- 10 with the extended transaction. A licensee who that extends an
- 11 agreement under this subsection shall not create a balance owed
- 12 above the amount owed on the original agreement.
- 13 (b) A licensee shall not renew a small loan agreement unless
- 14 both of the following conditions are met:
  - (i) The customer has made all payments as scheduled.
- 16 (ii) The customer has made at least 30% of all scheduled
- 17 payments or retired at least 50% of the principal.
- 18 (c) A licensee shall not charge a rate for a renewed small
- 19 loan that is higher than the rate charged for the original small
- 20 loan.

- 21 (d) A licensee and customer may agree to convert a deferred
- 22 presentment service transaction to a small loan, subject to the
- 23 limits on outstanding small loans provided in this act.
- 24 (2) If a drawer enters into 8 deferred presentment service
- 25 transactions with any licensee in any 12-month period, the licensee
- 26 shall provide the drawer an option to repay that eighth transaction
- 27 and each additional transaction in that 12-month period pursuant to
- 28 a written repayment plan subject to the following terms:
- 29 (a) The drawer shall request the repayment plan, either orally

- or in writing, within 30 days after the maturity date of thedeferred presentment service transaction.
- 3 (b) The drawer shall repay the transaction in 3 equal
  4 installments with 1 installment due on each of the next 3 dates on
  5 which the drawer receives regular wages or compensation from an
  6 employer or other regular source of income, pursuant to a written
  7 repayment plan agreement.
- 8 (c) The drawer shall pay a fee to the licensee for 9 administration of the repayment plan. The initial amount of the fee 10 is \$15.00. Beginning March 1, 2011, and by March 1 of every fifth 11 year after March 1, 2011, the licensee may adjust the fee by an 12 amount determined by the director to reflect the cumulative percentage change in the Detroit consumer price index Consumer 13 14 Price Index over the preceding 5 calendar years. As used in this 15 subsection, subdivision, "Detroit consumer price index" Consumer 16 Price Index" means the most comprehensive index of consumer prices 17 available for the Detroit area from the Bureau of Labor Statistics 18 of the United States Department of Labor.
  - (d) The drawer shall agree not to enter into any additional deferred presentment transactions during the repayment plan term.
- 21 (3) A licensee shall advise a customer drawer of the repayment 22 option described in subsection (2) at the time he or she is 23 eligible. If a customer drawer believes he or she has been 24 illegally denied the repayment option under this section, he or she 25 is entitled to contact the department toll-free at 1-877-999-6442. 26 If a customer has entered into 8 deferred presentment service 27 transactions in any 12-month period, the database provider shall notify the licensee when the licensee submits the required customer 28 29 information to the database for that customer drawer that the

- 1 customer drawer is entitled to a repayment plan under this section.
- 2 The database provider shall instruct the licensee to provide the
- 3 customer drawer with the following notice, in a document separate
- 4 from the deferred presentment transaction agreement and in at least
- 5 12-point type:
- 6 "If you are unable to pay your deferred presentment service
- 7 transaction and have entered into 8 deferred presentment
- 8 transactions in any 12-month period, state law entitles you to
- 9 request a repayment of that transaction in installments. We are
- 10 required to advise you of this option at the time it is available.
- 11 If you elect this option, you must notify us, either orally or in
- 12 writing, within 30 days after the maturity date of the eighth
- 13 deferred presentment transaction in the 12-month period. The notice
- 14 must be provided to us at our place of business. You may be charged
- 15 an additional fee when the transaction is rescheduled in
- 16 installments. You will be ineligible to enter into a deferred
- 17 presentment service transaction with any licensee during the term
- 18 of the repayment plan. If we refuse to provide this option under
- 19 the stipulations above, you should contact the department of
- 20 insurance and financial services Department of Insurance and
- 21 Financial Services toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.".
- 22 (4) During the term of a repayment plan by a drawer under this
- 23 section, the database provider shall notify the licensee at the
- 24 time the licensee submits the required customer information to the
- 25 database for that <del>customer that the customer drawer that he or she</del>
- 26 is presently in a repayment plan under this section with 1 or more
- 27 other licensees and the licensee shall not enter into a deferred
- 28 presentment transaction with that individual.
  - (5) A-In a deferred presentment service transaction, a

- 1 licensee shall not present a check for payment before the maturity
- 2 date or during the term of the repayment plan. In addition to the
- 3 remedies and penalties under this act, a licensee that presents a
- 4 check for payment before the maturity date or during the term of
- 5 the repayment plan is liable for all expenses and damages caused to
- 6 the drawer and the drawee as a result of the violation. If a drawer
- 7 has not requested a repayment plan on or before the maturity date,
- 8 the licensee may redeem, present for payment, or enter the check
- 9 into the check-clearing process under the terms of the original
- 10 deferred presentment service transaction agreement.
- 11 (6) A drawer satisfies his or her obligation under a deferred
- 12 presentment service agreement when the check the licensee is
- 13 holding is paid by the drawee or is redeemed by the drawer by
- 14 paying to the licensee an amount equal to the full amount of the
- 15 check.
- 16 (7) Unless the drawer has entered into a written repayment
- 17 plan under subsection (2), a licensee shall deposit a check held in
- 18 connection with a deferred presentment service transaction on the
- 19 maturity date if the check is not redeemed in the manner described
- 20 in section  $\frac{2(1)(c)(i)}{2(1)(c)(i)}$  (a) (a), or exchanged in the manner
- 21 described in  $\frac{2(1)(c)(ii)}{2(1i)(c)(ii)}$ , 2(1)(c)(ii)(B), on or before the
- 22 maturity date.
- 23 (8) A licensee shall deposit a check held in connection with a
- 24 deferred presentment service transaction on any repayment plan
- 25 installment date described in subsection (2) if the drawer fails to
- 26 make the installment payment.
- 27 (9) If the drawer has an outstanding deferred presentment
- 28 service transaction in which a check held in connection with the
- 29 transaction was deposited and returned unpaid, the licensee may

- 1 collect the check by means of 1 or more telephone-initiated entries
  2 if all of the following are met:
- 3 (a) The drawer agrees to each telephone-initiated entry.
- 4 (b) Each telephone-initiated entry is a single, date-specific
  5 payment and does not authorize more than 1 payment or periodic
  6 payments.
  - (c) The licensee does not charge the drawer a fee in connection with the telephone-initiated entry or entries.
  - (10) If the payment to satisfy an outstanding deferred presentment transaction obligation is made in person, the licensee shall immediately return the check held in connection with the deferred presentment service transaction to the drawer. If the payment to satisfy the obligation is not made in person, the licensee shall return the check to the drawer by mailing it to the address listed on the deferred presentment transaction service agreement within 1 business day after the licensee obtains evidence that the drawer has satisfied the obligation.
  - (11) A—In a deferred presentment service transaction, a licensee shall only accept a payment by debit card to redeem a check the licensee is holding if the drawer certifies to the licensee that the debit card draws funds from the same account on which the check is drawn. The drawer may provide the certification orally or in writing at any time prior to processing a payment.
  - (12) As used in this section, "telephone-initiated entry" means a debit transaction to a drawer's account that is processed through an automated clearing house, as that term is defined in section 1 of 2002 PA 738, MCL 124.301, and initiated pursuant to an authorization obtained from the drawer orally by telephone.
- 29 Sec. 36. (1) No-Not later than the close of business on the

1 day he or she signed a deferred presentment service agreement or

2 small loan agreement, a drawer or small loan customer who believes

- 3 that a licensee has violated this act may notify the licensee in
- 4 person that the licensee has violated the act. The drawer or small
- 5 loan customer shall identify the nature of the violation and
- 6 provide documentary or other evidence of the violation at that
- 7 time.
- 8 (2) At any time before signing a new deferred presentment
- 9 service agreement or small loan agreement with a licensee, a drawer
- 10 or small loan customer who believes that the licensee has violated
- 11 this act in connection with a deferred presentment service
- 12 transaction or small loan may deliver to the licensee a notice in
- 13 writing that the licensee has violated the act. The drawer or small
- 14 loan customer shall identify the nature of the violation and
- 15 include documentary or other evidence of the violation in the
- 16 notice.
- 17 (3) No Not later than the close of the third business day
- 18 after receipt of a notice under subsection (1) or (2), the licensee
- 19 shall determine if it has violated the law as alleged in the
- 20 notice.
- 21 (4) If the licensee determines that it has violated the law,
- 22 it shall return to the drawer the check it received in the deferred
- 23 presentment service transaction, or return to the small loan
- 24 customer any payments of principal and interest it received under
- 25 the small loan agreement, and any service fee paid by the drawer or
- 26 small loan customer to the licensee. The drawer or small loan
- 27 customer shall deliver to the licensee cash or a cash equivalent in
- 28 an amount equal to the amount of cash the drawer or small loan
- 29 customer received in the transaction. In addition, the licensee

- 1 shall make restitution to the drawer or small loan customer for
- 2 each violation in an amount equal to 5 times the amount of the fee
- 3 charged in the deferred presentment service transaction or small
- 4 loan agreement, but not less than \$15.00 or more than the face
- 5 amount of the drawer's check or the principal amount of the small
- 6 loan. A licensee that makes restitution for a violation under this
- 7 subsection may be subject to a civil action under section 53 with
- 8 respect to that violation. A licensee that makes restitution for a
- 9 violation under this subsection shall immediately notify the
- 10 commissioner of that action. The licensee shall give the
- 11 commissioner detailed information about the terms of the deferred
- 12 presentment service transaction or small loan agreement and shall
- 13 provide other information requested by the commissioner.
- 14 (5) If the licensee determines that it did not violate the
- 15 law, the licensee shall immediately notify the commissioner, and
- 16 the drawer or small loan customer, of that determination. The
- 17 licensee shall give the commissioner detailed information about the
- 18 terms of the deferred presentment service transaction or small loan
- 19 and shall provide other information requested by the commissioner.
- 20 The licensee shall include in the notification to the drawer or
- 21 small loan customer that the drawer or small loan customer has the
- 22 right to file a written complaint with the office department if he
- 23 or she does not agree with the determination that the licensee did
- 24 not violate the law. The licensee shall include in the notice
- 25 detailed information on how the drawer or small loan customer can
- 26 contact the office department to obtain a complaint form.
- 27 (6) A drawer or small loan customer who receives a notice of
- 28 determination by the licensee that it did not violate the law may
- 29 file a written complaint with the office department on a form

- 1 prescribed by the commissioner. The drawer or small loan customer
- 2 shall include with the complaint documentary or other evidence of
- 3 the violation.
- 4 (7) If In a deferred presentment service transaction, if the
- 5 licensee has otherwise complied with this section and has
- 6 determined that it did not violate the law, the licensee may
- 7 present the drawer's check for payment on or after the maturity
- 8 date. If a check presented for payment under this subsection is not
- 9 honored, and the licensee is not in violation of this act in
- 10 connection with the deferred presentment service transaction, the
- 11 licensee may initiate any lawful collection effort.
- 12 (8) The commissioner shall promptly investigate a complaint
- 13 filed by a drawer or small loan customer under this section. If
- 14 after investigating the drawer's or small loan customer's
- 15 complaint, the commissioner concludes that the licensee violated
- 16 this act, the commissioner may order the licensee to make
- 17 restitution to the drawer or small loan customer in an amount equal
- 18 to 3 times the amount provided for in subsection (4), but not less
- 19 than \$45.00 or more than 3 times the face amount of the drawer's
- 20 check or the principal amount of the small loan. A licensee ordered
- 21 to pay restitution under this subsection is also subject to any
- 22 other applicable penalties and remedies available under this act
- 23 for the violation.
- 24 (9) A licensee shall enter information regarding alleged
- 25 violations and determinations under this section into the database
- 26 as required by the commissioner.
- Sec. 45. (1) A customer may file a written complaint with the
- 28 office department on a form prescribed by the commissioner
- 29 regarding a licensee. The customer shall include with the complaint

- 1 documentary or other evidence of the violation or activities of the
  2 licensee. The commissioner shall investigate a complaint filed by a
  3 customer under this subsection.
- 4 (2) The commissioner may investigate or conduct examinations
  5 of a licensee and conduct hearings as the commissioner considers
  6 necessary to determine whether a licensee or any other person has
  7 violated this act, or whether a licensee has conducted business in
  8 a manner that justifies suspension or forfeiture of its authority
  9 to engage in the business of providing deferred presentment service
  10 transactions and small loans in this state.
  - (3) The commissioner may subpoen witnesses and documents, papers, books, records, and other evidence in any manner over which the commissioner has jurisdiction, control, or supervision. The commissioner may administer oaths to any person whose testimony is required. If a person fails to comply with a subpoena issued by the commissioner or to testify with respect to any matter concerning which the person may be lawfully questioned, the commissioner may petition the circuit court for Ingham county County to issue an order requiring the person to attend, give testimony, or produce evidence.
- Sec. 51. (1) The commissioner may promulgate rules under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to enforce and administer this act.
- (2) By July 31, 2007, the commissioner shall submit a report to the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives concerned with regulatory reform issues that includes the following information:
- (a) The number of persons engaged in the business of providingdeferred presentment service transactions in this state on the

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- 1 effective date of this act and the number on June 30, 2007.
- 2 (b) A general report on the business of providing deferred
- 3 presentment service transactions in this state as of June 30, 2007.
- 4 The report shall include the number of licensees, the number of
- 5 customers, the number and amount of transactions, and any other
- 6 financial information about deferred presentment service
- 7 transactions in this state requested by the legislature or
- 8 considered relevant by the commissioner.
- 9 (3) Beginning January 1, 2021, the department shall publish on
- 10 its website an annual report on deferred presentment licensees in
- 11 this state. The report shall include for the year preceding the
- 12 publication date the number of licensees, customers served, and
- 13 transactions that took place in this state, the number of
- 14 complaints against licensees and nonlicensees arising from
- 15 transactions that took place in this state, and any additional
- 16 information that the director considers relevant.
- Sec. 53. A person injured by a licensee's violation of this
- 18 act may maintain a civil cause of action against the licensee and
- 19 may recover actual damages and an amount equal to the service fee
- 20 paid in connection with each deferred presentment service
- 21 transaction, or the interest and service fee paid in connection
- 22 with each small loan agreement, that is found to violate this act,
- 23 plus reasonable attorney fees.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 25 after the date it is enacted into law.