

**MICHIGAN FAMILY FARM DEVELOPMENT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 220 of 1982**

**285.261 Loans to mortgage lenders; requirements and conditions.**

Sec. 11. (1) The authority may make and contract to make loans to mortgage lenders on terms and conditions it determines are reasonably related to protecting the security of the authority's investment and to implementing the purposes of this act. Mortgage lenders are authorized to borrow from the authority pursuant to this section and the rules promulgated by the authority.

(2) The authority shall require as a condition of a loan to a mortgage lender that the mortgage lender, within a reasonable period after receipt of the loan proceeds as the authority prescribes by rule, enter into written commitments to make and, within a reasonable period thereafter as the authority prescribes by rule, disburse the loan proceeds in new mortgage or secured loans to beginning farmers in an aggregate principal amount of not less than the amount of the loan. New mortgage or secured loans shall have terms and conditions as the authority prescribes by rules which are reasonably related to implementing the purposes of this act. The authority shall require a mortgage lender to which the authority has made a loan to submit evidence satisfactory to the authority that the mortgage lender has made new mortgage or secured loans to beginning farmers as required by this section. To assure compliance with this section, the authority may, through its members, employees, or agents, inspect the books and records of a mortgage lender. The authority may also require, as a condition of a loan to a mortgage lender, agreement by the mortgage lender to the payment of penalties to the authority for violation by the mortgage lender of its agreement with the authority.

(3) The authority shall require that a mortgage lender receiving a loan pursuant to this section shall issue and deliver to the authority evidence of its indebtedness to the authority which shall constitute a general obligation of the mortgage lender and shall bear a date, mature at a time, be subject to prepayment, and contain other provisions consistent with this section and reasonably related to protecting the security of the authority's investment, as the authority determines.

(4) The interest rate and other terms of loans to mortgage lenders made from the proceeds of an issue of bonds or notes of the authority shall be at least sufficient to assure the payment of the bonds or notes and the interest on them as they become due. In addition, the authority may require that loans to mortgage lenders are additionally secured as to payment of both principal and interest by a pledge of and lien upon collateral security by special escrow funds or other forms of guarantee and in amounts and forms as the authority by resolution determines to be necessary to assure the payment of the loans and the interest as they become due. Collateral security shall consist of any of the following:

(a) Obligations or securities of, or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by, the United States or any of the agencies of the United States, or for which the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged to provide for the payment of principal and interest.

(b) Obligations of a state of the United States, or an agency or authority of a state for which the full faith and credit of the state is pledged to provide payment of principal and interest.

(c) Obligations of this state or an agency or authority of this state for which specific revenues are pledged to provide payment of principal and interest.

(d) Investment quality obligations approved by the authority.

(5) The authority may require that collateral for loans be deposited with a bank, trust company, or other financial institution acceptable to the authority located in this state and designated by the authority as custodian. In the absence of that requirement, each mortgage lender shall enter into an agreement with the authority containing provisions the authority considers necessary to adequately identify and maintain the collateral, service the collateral, and require the mortgage lender to hold the collateral as an agent for the authority and be accountable to the authority as the trustee of an express trust for the application and disposition of the collateral and the income from the collateral. The authority may also establish additional requirements it considers necessary with respect to the pledging, assigning, setting aside, or holding of collateral and the making of substitutions for it or additions to it and the disposition of income and receipts from the collateral.

(6) The authority may require as a condition of a loan to a mortgage lender any representations and warranties it determines are necessary to secure the loans and carry out the purposes of this section.

(7) The authority may require the beginning farmer to satisfy conditions and requirements normally imposed by mortgage lenders in making similar loans, including the purchase of capital stock in the federal land bank.

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