BANKING CODE OF 1999 (EXCERPT) Act 276 of 1999

487.12304 Notice of charges; hearing; issuance of order to cease and desist; enforcement; notice to comptroller of currency and attorney general.

Sec. 2304. (1) If in the opinion of the commissioner an institution is engaging, has engaged, or is about to engage in an unsafe or unsound practice in conducting the business of the institution or is violating, has violated, or is about to violate a law or rule, the commissioner may issue and serve upon the institution a notice of charges. The notice shall contain a statement of the facts constituting the alleged unsafe or unsound practice or violation, and shall fix a time and place for a hearing to determine whether an order to cease and desist should issue. The hearing shall be not earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days after service of the notice unless an earlier or later date is set by the commissioner at the request of the institution. If the institution does not appear at the hearing by a duly authorized representative, it shall be considered to have consented to the issuance of a cease and desist order.

- (2) In the event of consent, or if upon the record made at the hearing the commissioner finds that an unsafe or unsound practice or violation specified in the notice of charges has been established, the commissioner may issue and serve upon the institution an order to cease and desist from the practice or violation. The order may require the institution and its directors, officers, employees, and agents to cease and desist from the practice or violation and to take affirmative action to correct the conditions resulting from the practice or violation.
- (3) A cease and desist order becomes effective 30 days after the service of the order upon the institution, except in the case of an order issued upon consent which shall become effective at the time specified in the order, and shall remain effective and enforceable as provided in the order, except to the extent it is stayed, modified, terminated, or set aside by action of the commissioner or a reviewing court.
- (4) If the commissioner determines that an out-of-state bank branch located in this state is acting in violation of the laws of this state or that the activities of the branch are being conducted in an unsafe and unsound manner, the commissioner may undertake enforcement actions and proceedings as would be permitted if the branch were a bank.
- (5) If the commissioner determines that a national bank is acting in violation of the laws of this state, the commissioner shall notify the comptroller of the currency and the attorney general.

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