

scribers to the guaranty fund of the bank voting.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.0, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1645; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(b), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-399 substituted “The banks” for “Two or more banks” in introductory provisions, and in par. (3) substituted “with each association entitled to cast a number of votes equal to the number of its voting” for “in accordance with the provisions of section 2223(c) of this title relating to the casting of votes by”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-399 effective as if enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as a note under section 2002 of this title.

§ 2279a-1. Board of directors

Each merged bank shall elect a board of directors of such number, for such term, in such manner, and with such qualifications, as may be required in its bylaws, except that at least one member shall be elected by the other directors, which member shall not be a director, officer, employee, or stockholder of a System institution.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.1, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1645; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(c), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-399 struck out “for the district” in section catchline and amended text generally, revising and restating as a single unlettered paragraph provisions of former subssecs. (a) and (b).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-399 effective as if enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as a note under section 2002 of this title.

§ 2279a-2. Powers of merged banks

(a) In general

Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, a merged bank shall have all of the powers granted to, and shall be subject to all of the obligations imposed on, any of the constituent entities of the merged bank.

(b) Regulations

The Farm Credit Administration shall issue regulations that establish the manner in which the powers and obligations of the banks that form the merged bank are consolidated, and to the extent necessary, reconciled in the merged bank.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.2, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1645.)

§ 2279a-3. Capitalization

In accordance with section 2154a of this title, each merged bank shall provide, through bylaws and subject to Farm Credit Administration regulations, for the capitalization of the bank and the manner in which bank stock shall be issued, held, transferred, and retired and bank earnings distributed.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.3, as added Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(d), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2279a-3, Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.3, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1645, related to issuance of shares of capital stock, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(d), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective as if enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as an Effective Date of 1988 Amendment note under section 2002 of this title.

§ 2279a-4. Repealed. Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(d), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001

Section, Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.4, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1646, related to earnings, reserves, and distributions with regard to merged banks. See section 2279a-3 of this title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective as if repealing provisions had been enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as an Effective Date of 1988 Amendment note under section 2002 of this title.

§ 2279a-5. Transferred

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CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.5, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1646, which required reports by merged banks for cooperatives, was renumbered section 3.29 of title III of Pub. L. 92-181 by Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(e), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001, and was classified to section 2149a of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 115-334, title V, § 5411(16), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4680.

PART B—MERGERS, TRANSFERS OF ASSETS, AND POWERS OF ASSOCIATIONS WITHIN A DISTRICT

SUBPART 1—TRANSFERS BY FEDERAL LAND BANKS TO FEDERAL LAND BANK ASSOCIATIONS

§ 2279b. Transfer of lending authority

(a) Voluntary transfers

A Federal land bank or a merged bank having a Federal land bank as one of its constituents, may transfer to a Federal land bank association, and the association may assume, the authority of the transferring bank in the territorial area

served by the association, to make and participate in long-term real estate mortgage loans under this chapter if the transfer is approved by—

- (1) the Farm Credit Administration Board;
- (2) the Board of Directors of both institutions; and
- (3) a majority of the stockholders of the bank and of the association, in accordance with the voting provisions of sections 2279a and 2279c-1 of this title, respectively.

(b) Direct loans and financial assistance

After a transfer described in subsection (a) or (d)—

- (1) the Federal land bank association shall possess all of the direct long-term real estate mortgage loan authority, formerly possessed by the transferring bank, in the territory served by the association; and
- (2) the bank may provide and extend financial assistance to, and discount for, or purchase from, the transferee Federal land bank association any note, draft, or other obligation with the endorsement or guarantee of the association, the proceeds of which have been advanced to persons eligible and for purposes of financing by the association under subsection (a).

(c) Regulations

The Farm Credit Administration shall issue regulations that establish the manner in which the powers and obligations of the banks that make transfers are consolidated and, to the extent necessary, reconciled in the association referred to in subsection (a).

(d) Mandatory transfer

On the merger of one or more production credit associations with one or more Federal land bank associations, the bank supervising the Federal land bank association shall transfer all of the direct lending authority of the bank in the territory served by such Federal land bank association to such merged association.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, §7.6, formerly §§7.6, 7.7, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1647; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, §408(f)–(j), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001, 1002.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-399, §408(j), transferred section 7.7 of Pub. L. 92-181, which was classified to section 2279c of this title, to subsec. (d) of this section.

AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-399, §408(f), substituted “Voluntary transfers” for “Assignments” as subsection heading, and in text substituted “may transfer” for “may assign”, “this chapter” for “sections 2014 through 2017 of this title”, and “transfer is approved” for “assignment is approved” in introductory provisions, and “sections 2279a and 2279c-1 of this title, respectively” for “sections 2279a and 2279b of this title” in par. (3).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-399, §408(g), substituted “a transfer described in subsection (a) or (d)” for “an assignment described in subsection (a)” in introductory provisions and “the bank may provide” for “the Federal land bank may provide” in par. (2).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 100-399, §408(h), struck out “assignments or” before “transfers are consolidated” and struck out second sentence, which provided that, following a transfer or assignment under subsection (a) of this section, the provisions of section 2154a of this title were to be applicable to the association.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 100-399, §408(i), (j), transferred section 2279c of this title to subsec. (d) of this section, substituted heading for former section heading, and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “On the merger of one or more production credit associations with one or more Federal land bank associations, the bank supervising the Federal land bank association shall transfer all of its direct lending authority of the bank to such association under section 2279c-1 of this title.”

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-399 effective as if enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as a note under section 2002 of this title.

§ 2279c. Equalization of loan-making powers of certain district associations

(a) Equalization of loan-making powers

(1) In general

(A) Federal land bank associations

Subject to paragraph (2), any association that owns a Federal land bank association authorized as of January 1, 2007, to make long-term loans under subchapter I in its chartered territory within the geographic area described in subsection (b) may make short- and intermediate-term loans and otherwise operate as a production credit association under subchapter II within that same chartered territory.

(B) Production credit associations

Subject to paragraph (2), any association that under its charter has subchapter I lending authority and that owns a production credit association authorized as of January 1, 2007, to make short- and intermediate-term loans under subchapter II in the geographic area described in subsection (b) may make long-term loans and otherwise operate, directly or through a subsidiary association, as a Federal land bank association or Federal land credit association under subchapter I in the geographic area.

(C) Farm Credit Bank

Notwithstanding section 2252(a) of this title, the Farm Credit Bank with which any association had a written financing agreement as of January 1, 2007, may make loans and extend other comparable financial assistance with respect to, and may purchase, any loans made under the new authority provided under subparagraph (A) or (B) by an association exercising such authority.

(2) Required approvals

An association may exercise the additional authority provided for in paragraph (1) only after the exercise of the authority is approved by—

- (A) the board of directors of the association; and

(B) a majority of the voting stockholders of the association (or, if the association is a subsidiary of another association, the voting stockholders of the parent association) voting, in person or by proxy, at a duly authorized meeting of stockholders in accordance with the process described in section 2279e of this title.

(b) Applicability

This section applies only to associations the chartered territory of which was within the geographic area served by the Federal intermediate credit bank immediately prior to its merger with a Farm Credit Bank under section 410(e)(1) of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987 (12 U.S.C. 2011 note; Public Law 100-233).

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.7, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title V, § 5407(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1159, and Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title V, § 5407(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1921.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2279c, Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.7, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1647; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(i), (j), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1002, related to mergers of unlike associations, prior to renumbering as section 7.6(d) of Pub. L. 92-181 and transfer to section 2279b(d) of this title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 8701 of Title 7, Agriculture.

Section effective Jan. 1, 2010, see section 5407(d) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date of 2008 Amendment note under section 2252 of this title.

SUBPART 2—MERGER OF LIKE AND UNLIKE ASSOCIATIONS

§ 2279c-1. Merger of associations

(a) In general

Two or more associations within the same district, whether or not organized under the same subchapter of this chapter, may merge into a single entity (hereinafter in this subchapter referred to as a “merged association”) if the plan of merger is approved by—

- (1) the Farm Credit Administration Board;
- (2) the boards of directors of the associations;
- (3) a majority of the shareholders of each association voting, in person or by proxy, at a duly authorized stockholders’ meeting; and
- (4) the Farm Credit Bank.

(b) Powers, obligations, and consolidation

(1) Powers and obligations

Except as otherwise provided by this subchapter, a merged association shall—

(A) possess all powers granted under this chapter to the associations forming the merged association; and

(B) be subject to all of the obligations imposed under this chapter on the associations forming the merged association.

(2) Consolidation

The Farm Credit Administration shall issue regulations that establish the manner in which the powers and obligations of the associations that form the merged association are consolidated and, to the extent necessary, reconciled in the merged association.

(c) Stock issuance

(1) Plan of merger

Subject to section 2154a of this title, the number of shares of capital stock issued by a merged association to the stockholders of any association forming such merged association, and the rights and privileges of such shares (including voting power, preferences on liquidation, and the right to dividends), shall be determined by the plan of merger adopted by the merged associations.

(2) Capitalization

In accordance with section 2154a of this title, each merged association shall provide, through bylaws and subject to Farm Credit Administration regulations, for the capitalization of the association and the manner in which association stock shall be issued, held, transferred, and retired, and association earnings shall be distributed.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title VII, § 7.8, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 416, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1647; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, § 408(k), (l), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1002.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 100-399, § 408(k), struck out second sentence, which directed that, following a merger under subsection (a) of this section, the provisions of section 2154a of this title were to be applicable to the merged association.

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 100-399, § 408(l), substituted “Capitalization” for “Plan of capitalization” as par. (2) heading and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “The number of shares of capital stock, and the rights and privileges thereof, issued by a merged association after a merger shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the merged association, with the approval of the supervising bank, and shall be consistent with section 2154a of this title and the regulations issued by the Farm Credit Administration.”

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 100-399, § 408(l), struck out par. (3) which read as follows: “Voting stock of a merged association shall be issued to and held by farmers, ranchers, or producers or harvesters of aquatic products who are or were, immediately prior to the merger, direct borrowers from one of the associations forming the merged association or the supervising bank of such merged association.”

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 100-399, § 408(l), struck out subsec. (d) which read as follows: “The plan of merger shall provide for the issuance, transfer, and retirement of stock and the distribution of earnings in accordance with the provisions of section 2154a of this title.”