

**SAVINGS BANK ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 354 of 1996**

**487.3709 Conversion of federally chartered shareholder-owned financial institution into savings bank.**

Sec. 709.

(1) With the approval of the commissioner, and upon the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast of each class of its outstanding capital stock, a national banking association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or other federally chartered shareholder-owned financial institution doing business in this state and having an unimpaired capital and surplus sufficient to entitle it to become a savings bank under the provisions of existing laws of this state may be converted into a savings bank if the conversion is not in contravention of any laws of the United States. In such case, the articles of incorporation may be executed by a majority of the directors of the national banking association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or other federally chartered financial institution. A majority of the directors, after executing the articles of incorporation, shall have the power to execute all other papers and to do whatever may be required to complete the organization of the mutual state savings and loan association, mutual state savings bank, or other member-owned state chartered financial institution as a savings bank.

(2) The shares of the savings bank may continue to be for the same amount each as they were before the conversion, and the directors may continue to be directors of the savings bank until others have been elected or appointed under the laws of this state.

(3) The approval of the commissioner shall be based on an examination of the national banking association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or other federally chartered financial institutions and of the proceedings had by its directors and shareholders with respect to the conversion.

(4) A conversion shall not be made to defeat or defraud any of the creditors of the national banking association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or other federally chartered financial institution.

(5) Subject to conditions as he or she may prescribe, the commissioner may permit the converted savings bank to retain and carry, at a value determined by the commissioner, assets of the converting national banking association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or other federally chartered financial institution as do not conform to the legal requirements relative to assets acquired and held by savings banks.

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