



Senate

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Senate Bill No. 323

Senate, March 15, 2000

The Committee on Banks reported through SEN. MCDERMOTT of the 34th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning An Annual Update On The Bank Powers Act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) The Commissioner of Banking shall submit an annual report
- 2 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
- 3 cognizance of matters relating to banks no later than January first. The
- 4 report shall summarize the commissioner's actions taken pursuant to
- 5 public act 99-158.

BA Committee Vote: Yea 18 Nay 0 JF

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Department of Banking

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation**State Impact:**

The bill requires the Commissioner of Banking to submit an annual report to the Banking committee on its actions taken pursuant to Public Act 99-158 – An Act Concerning Bank Powers, Uninsured Banks, The Enforcement Authority Of The Commissioner Of Banking And The Limitations Of Interest Rates For Certain Commercial Loans.

The public act authorizes a new kind of Connecticut- chartered bank, allows Connecticut- chartered banks with the banking commissioner’s approval to engage in certain closely related activities and activities permitted for federally chartered banks. The act also prohibits anyone from making a false or misleading statement in any proceeding under the banking statutes.

The bill requires the Department of Banking to develop an annual report on its actions pursuant to Public Act 99-158. This workload increase can be handled within the anticipated budgetary resources of the Department of Banking.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING AN ANNUAL UPDATE ON THE BANK POWERS ACT.**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the state banking commissioner, by January 1 annually, to submit a report to the Banks Committee summarizing actions he has taken under PA 99-158. That act, among other provisions, gave the commissioner discretion to let Connecticut-chartered banks engage in certain activities closely related to banking and activities permitted for federally chartered banks. Other provisions included authorization for a new kind of Connecticut-chartered bank (an uninsured bank that does not take retail deposits); imposition of a floating interest cap on unlicensed nonbank lenders' business loans between \$10,000 and \$250,000; and clarifications concerning in-state branches of out-of-state banks and false or misleading statements in banking department proceedings, investigations, or examinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

COMMITTEE ACTION

Banks Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 18 Nay 0