1-1 S.B. No. 1008 By: Carona (In the Senate - Filed March 1, 2013; March 12, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; March 27, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; March 27, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Carona	X			
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1-11	Estes	X			
1-12	Hancock	X			
1-13	Lucio	X			
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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relating to the business, supervision, and regulation of state savings and loan associations and state savings banks; providing a criminal penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 13.002, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

The savings and mortgage lending commissioner must have not less than <u>five</u> [seven] years' experience in the executive management of a savings association or savings bank or in savings association or savings bank supervision during the 10 years preceding the commissioner's appointment.

SECTION 2. Section 61.002, Finance Code, is amended by amending Subdivision (1) and adding Subdivision (1-a) to read \bar{as} follows:

> "Appropriate banking agency": (1)

means: (A)

(i) with respect savings chartered by this state, the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending;

(ii) with respect to а federal savings bank, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency;

(iii) with respect to a savings and loan association chartered by this state, the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending;

with respect to a federal savings and loan association, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency;

(v) with respect to a bank chartered by this

state, the Texas Department of Banking;

(vi) with respect to Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and a national bank, the

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(vii) with respect to a bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association chartered by another state, the chartering agency; and

1-51 1-52 (B) includes:

(i) <u>in each case in which a state bank is a</u> member of the Federal Reserve System, the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System;

(ii) in each case where required by the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1811 et seq.), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and 1-56 1-57 1-58

(iii) any successor of a state or federal

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agency specified by this subdivision.
(1-a) "Association" means 1-61 savings and loan a

2-1 association subject to this subtitle.

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SECTION 3. Subsection (a), Section 62.105, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An association shall maintain [on file with the commissioner] a blanket indemnity bond with an adequate corporate surety protecting the association from loss by or through dishonest or criminal action or omission, including fraud, theft, robbery, or burglary, by an officer or employee of the association or a director of the association when the director performs the duties of an officer or employee.

SECTION 4. Subsection (a), Section 62.206, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) The converted association shall file with the commissioner:
- (1) a copy of the charter issued to the federal association by the $\underbrace{\text{Office of the Comptroller of the Currency}}$ [Office of Thrift Supervision]; or
- (2) a certificate showing the organization of the association as a federal association, certified by the secretary or assistant secretary of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency [Office of Thrift Supervision].

SECTION 5. Section 62.207, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 62.207. EFFECT OF ISSUANCE OF CHARTER. On the issuance of a charter by the <u>Office of the Comptroller of the Currency</u> [Office of Thrift Supervision], the association:

(1) ceases to be an association incorporated under

- this subtitle; and
- (2) is no longer subject to the supervision and control of the commissioner.

SECTION 6. Subsection (b), Section 62.251, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

The application to convert must:

- be filed in the office of the commissioner and with (1)the <u>appropriate banking agency</u> [Office of Thrift Supervision or its successor] not later than the 10th day after the date of the meeting; and
- (2) include a copy of the minutes of the meeting, sworn to by the secretary or an assistant secretary.

SECTION 7. Subsection (c), Section 89.052, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) When a supervisory order is issued under Chapter 66, the commissioner shall report the existence of the order promptly to the finance commission but shall maintain the confidentiality of the content of the order [and in a closed meeting shall furnish any information about the association or the person that is the subject of the order that the commission members may require. information discussed in the closed meeting is confidential].

SECTION 8. Section 89.101, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

- Sec. 89.101. CRIMINAL SLANDER. (a) A person commits an offense if the person[, with intent to injure an association or a federal association in this state]:
- (1) knowingly makes, utters, circulates, or transmits to another person a statement that is untrue and derogatory to the financial condition of \underline{an} [the] association [or federal association]; or
- (2) with intent to injure an association counsels, aids, procures, or induces another person to originate, make, utter, transmit, or circulate a statement or rumor that is untrue and derogatory to the financial condition of the association [or federal association].
- (b) An offense under Subsection (a) is a state jail felony [punishable by: [(1)

-a fine not to exceed \$2,500;
-imprisonment in the Texas Department of Criminal [(2) not more than two years; or

[(3) both the fine and imprisonment]. SECTION 9. Subdivision (1), Section 91.002, Finance Code, 3-1 is amended to read as follows:

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means:

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(ii) with respect to a federal savings bank, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency [Office of Thrift Supervision];

(iii) with respect to a savings and loan association chartered by this state, the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending;

(iv) with respect to a federal savings and loan association, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency [Office of Thrift Supervision];

(v) with respect to a bank chartered by this state, the Texas Department of Banking; [and]

(vi) with respect to a national bank, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and

(vii) with respect to a bank, savings bank, association chartered by another state, the savings and loan

chartering agency; and (B) includes:

(i) in each case in which a state bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System, the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System;

(ii) in each case where required by the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1811 et seq.), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and

(iii) any successor of a state or federal agency specified by this subdivision.

SECTION 10. Subsection (b), Section 94.002, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In this section, "commercial loan" means a loan that:

- (1)is for business, commercial, corporate, or agricultural purposes; [and]
 (2) is not a real property loan; and
- is not a qualified thrift asset under Section <u>92.20</u>4.

SECTION 11. Subsection (a), Section 96.002, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) The finance commission may adopt rules necessary to and regulate savings banks and to protect public supervise investment in savings banks, including rules relating to:
- (1) the minimum amounts of capital required to incorporate and operate as a savings bank, which may not be less than the amounts required of corresponding national banks;
- (2) the fees and procedures for processing, hearing, and deciding applications filed with the commissioner or the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending under this subtitle;
- (3) the books and records that a savings bank is required to keep and the location at which the books and records are required to be maintained;
- (4) the accounting principles and practices that a savings bank is required to observe;
- (5) the conditions under which records may be copied or reproduced for permanent storage before the originals are destroyed;
- (6) the form, content, and time of publication of statements of condition;
- (7) the form and content of any report [annual reports reports] that a savings bank is required to prepare and publish or file under this chapter;
- (8) the manner in which assets, liabilities, and transactions in general are to be described when entered in the books of a savings bank, so that the entry accurately describes the subject matter of the entry;
- 3-68 (9) the conditions under which the commissioner may require an asset to be charged off or reserves established by 3-69

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transfer from surplus or paid-in capital because of depreciation of 4-1 4-2 or overstated value of the asset;

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(10)the change of control of a savings bank;

- (11)the conduct, management, and operation of savings bank;
- (12)the withdrawable accounts, bonuses, plans, and contracts for savings programs;
 - merger, (13)the consolidation, reorganization, conversion, and liquidation of a savings bank;
 - (14) the establishment of an additional office or the change of office location or name of a savings bank;
 (15) the requirements for a savings bank's holding
 - companies, including those relating to:
 - (A) registration and periodic reporting of a holding company with the commissioner; and
 - (B) transactions between a holding company, an affiliate of a holding company, or a savings bank; and
 - the powers of a savings bank to make loans and (16)investments that contain provisions reasonably necessary to ensure that a loan made by a savings bank is consistent with sound lending practices and that the savings bank's investment will promote the purposes of this subtitle, including provisions governing:
 - the type of loans and the conditions under (A) which a savings bank may originate, make, or sell loans;
 - (B) the conditions under which a savings bank may purchase or participate in a loan made by another lender;
- (C) the conditions for the servicing of a loan for another lender;
- (D) the conditions under which a savings bank may lend money on the security of a loan made by another person;
 (E) the conditions under which a savings bank may
- pledge loans held by it as collateral for borrowing by the savings bank;
- (F) the conditions under which a savings bank may invest in securities and debt instruments;
- the documentation that a savings bank must (G) have in its files at the time of funding or purchase of a loan, an investment, or a participation in a loan;
- (H) the form and content of statements οf expenses and fees and other charges that are paid by a borrower or that a borrower is obligated to pay;
- (I)the title information that must be maintained;
- (J) borrower's insurance the of coverage property securing a loan;
 - (K) an appraisal report;
 - (L) the financial statement of a borrower;
- (M) the fees or other compensation that may be paid to a person in connection with obtaining a loan for a savings bank, including an officer, director, employee, affiliated person, consultant, or third party;
- (N) the conditions under which the savings bank may advance money to pay a tax, assessment, insurance premium, or other similar charge for the protection of the savings bank's interest in property securing the savings bank's loans;
- the terms under which a savings bank may (O)acquire and deal in real property;
- (P) the valuation on a savings bank's books of real property held by the savings bank;
- (Q) the terms governing the investment savings bank in a subsidiary, the powers that may be exercised by a the activities that may be engaged subsidiary, and in by subsidiary; and
- 4-63 4-64 (R) any other matter considered necessary to 4-65 administer each type of transaction. 4-66
- Subsection (b), Section 96.053, Finance Code, SECTION 12. 4-67 is amended to read as follows:
- A savings bank shall make any [other] report the 4-68 (b) commissioner may require to administer and enforce this chapter. A 4-69

[An additional] report under this section must be:

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(1)[signed in the same manner as the annual report;

 $[\frac{(2)}{1}]$ in the form and manner the commissioner prescribes; and

prescribes. (2) [(3)] filed on the date the commissioner

SECTION 13. Subsection (a), Section 96.111, Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) When a supervisory order is issued under this chapter, the [The] commissioner shall report the existence of the order promptly to the finance commission but shall maintain the confidentiality of the content of the order [when a supervisory confidentiality of the content of the order [when a supervisory chall are the content of the orde issued under this chapter]. [The commissioner shal furnish information about a savings bank or person as the finance commission may require in a closed meeting. All information discussed in the closed meeting is confidential.]

SECTION 14. Subchapter C, Chapter 119, Finance Code, is amended by adding Section 119.202 to read as follows:

Sec. 119.202. CRIMINAL SLANDER OR LIBEL. commits an offense if the person: (a) A person

(1) knowingly makes, utters, circulates, or transmits to another person a statement that is untrue and derogatory to the financial condition of a savings bank; or

(2) with intent to injure a savings bank counsels, aids, procures, or induces another person to originate, make, utter, transmit, or circulate a statement or rumor that is untrue and derogatory to the financial condition of the savings bank.

(b) An offense under Subsection (a) is a state jail felony. SECTION 15. The following provisions of the Finance Code are repealed:

- Section 62.103; (1)
- (2) Section 92.202;

(3) Subchapter E, Chapter 94;
(4) Subsection (d), Section 96.051; and
(5) Subsection (a), Section 96.053.

SECTION 16. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 17. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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