

**UTAH RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE PRACTICES
AND LICENSING ACT**

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STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

Committee Note:

The Business and Labor Interim Committee recommended this bill.

General Description:

This bill modifies the Utah Residential Mortgage Practices Act to address requirements under federal law and to make other changes.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ modifies the definition provision;
- ▶ imposes additional duties on the division related to rulemaking and reporting on requirements related to Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing;
- ▶ modifies the scope and exemptions from the chapter;
- ▶ modifies licensing requirements and procedures, including:
 - modifying requirements related to examinations, prelicensing education, and continuing education;
 - removing the authorization for issuing conditional licenses;
 - addressing requirements to reactivate an inactive license; and
 - providing for a transition;
- ▶ imposes requirements related to reports of condition;
- ▶ addresses investigations;



- 28 ▶ clarifies language related to disciplinary action;
- 29 ▶ addresses the effect on a license of the division paying a judgment creditor from the
- 30 Residential Mortgage Loan Education, Research, and Recovery Fund; and
- 31 ▶ makes technical and conforming amendments, including making terminology
- 32 consistent.

33 Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

34 None

35 Other Special Clauses:

36 This bill provides an effective date.

37 Utah Code Sections Affected:

38 AMENDS:

- 39 **13-34-105**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 47
- 40 **31A-2-402**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325
- 41 **61-2-5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 329
- 42 **61-2c-101**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 329
- 43 **61-2c-102**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 158 and 382
- 44 **61-2c-103**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 158 and 382
- 45 **61-2c-104**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 46 **61-2c-105**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 47 **61-2c-106**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 199
- 48 **61-2c-201**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 49 **61-2c-202**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 382 and 387
- 50 **61-2c-203**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325
- 51 **61-2c-205**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 52 **61-2c-206**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 382 and 387
- 53 **61-2c-207**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 54 **61-2c-208**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
- 55 **61-2c-301**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325
- 56 **61-2c-302**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325
- 57 **61-2c-401**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325
- 58 **61-2c-402**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 325

- 59 **61-2c-402.1**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 3 and 382
- 60 **61-2c-403**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 382 and 387
- 61 **61-2c-405**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 370 and 387
- 62 **61-2c-502**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 387
- 63 **61-2c-507**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 297
- 64 **61-2c-509**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 297
- 65 **61-2d-102**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 252
- 66 **70D-1-10**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 297

67 ENACTS:

- 68 **61-2c-204.1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 69 **61-2c-205.1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 70 **63I-2-261**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



72 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

73 Section 1. Section **13-34-105** is amended to read:

74 **13-34-105. Exempted institutions.**

75 (1) This chapter does not apply to the following institutions:

76 (a) a Utah institution directly supported, to a substantial degree, with funds provided

77 by:

78 (i) the state;

79 (ii) a local school district; or

80 (iii) other Utah governmental subdivision;

81 (b) an institution that offers instruction exclusively at or below the 12th grade level;

82 (c) a lawful enterprise that offers only professional review programs, such as C.P.A.

83 and bar examination review and preparation courses;

84 (d) a private, postsecondary educational institution that is owned, controlled, operated,

85 or maintained by a bona fide church or religious denomination, which is exempted from

86 property taxation under the laws of this state;

87 (e) subject to Subsection (3), a school or institution that is accredited by a regional or

88 national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education;

89 (f) subject to Subsection (4), a business organization, trade or professional association,

90 fraternal society, or labor union that:

91 (i) sponsors or conducts courses of instruction or study predominantly for bona fide
92 employees or members; and

93 (ii) does not, in advertising, describe itself as a school;

94 (g) an institution that exclusively offers general education courses or instruction solely
95 remedial, avocational, nonvocational, or recreational in nature, that does not:

96 (i) advertise occupation objectives; or

97 (ii) grant educational credentials;

98 (h) an institution that offers only workshops or seminars:

99 (i) lasting no longer than three calendar days; and

100 (ii) for which academic credit is not awarded;

101 (i) an institution that offers programs:

102 (i) in barbering, cosmetology, real estate, or insurance; and

103 (ii) that are regulated and approved by a state or federal governmental agency;

104 (j) an education provider certified by the Division of Real Estate under Section

105 ~~[61-2c-103]~~ 61-2c-204.1;

106 (k) an institution that offers aviation training if the institution:

107 (i) (A) is approved under Part 141, Federal Aviation Regulations, 14 C.F.R. Chapter
108 141; or

109 (B) provides aviation training under Part 61, Federal Aviation Regulations, 14 C.F.R.
110 Chapter 61; and

111 (ii) exclusively offers aviation training that a student fully receives within 24 hours
112 after the student pays any tuition, fee, or other charge for the aviation training; and

113 (l) an institution that provides emergency medical services training if all of the
114 institution's instructors, course coordinators, and courses are approved by the Department of
115 Health.

116 (2) (a) If available evidence suggests that an exempt institution under this section is not
117 in compliance with the standards of registration under this chapter and applicable division
118 rules, the division shall contact the institution and, if appropriate, the state or federal
119 government agency to request corrective action.

120 (b) Subsection (2)(a) does not apply to an institution exempted under Subsection (1)(e).

121 (3) An institution, branch, extension, or facility operating within the state that is
122 affiliated with an institution operating in another state must be separately approved by the
123 affiliate's regional or national accrediting agency to qualify for the exemption described in
124 Subsection (1)(e).

125 (4) For purposes of Subsection (1)(f), a business organization, trade or professional
126 association, fraternal society, or labor union is considered to be conducting the course
127 predominantly for bona fide employees or members if it hires a majority of the persons who:

128 (a) successfully complete its course of instruction or study with a reasonable degree of
129 proficiency; and

130 (b) apply for employment with that same entity.

131 Section 2. Section 31A-2-402 is amended to read:

132 **31A-2-402. Definitions.**

133 As used in this part:

134 (1) "Commission" means the Title and Escrow Commission created in Section
135 31A-2-403.

136 (2) "Concurrence" means the entities given a concurring role must jointly agree for the
137 action to be taken.

138 (3) "Dual licensed title licensee" means a title licensee who holds:

139 (a) a producer license as a title licensee; and

140 (b) a license or certificate under:

141 (i) Title 61, Chapter 2, Division of Real Estate [~~Division~~];

142 (ii) Title 61, Chapter 2b, Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Act; or

143 (iii) Title 61, Chapter 2c, Utah Residential Mortgage Practices and Licensing Act.

144 (4) "Real Estate Commission" means the Real Estate Commission created in Section
145 61-2-5.5.

146 (5) "Title licensee" means a person licensed under this title as:

147 (a) an agency with a title insurance line of authority;

148 (b) a producer with:

149 (i) a general title insurance line of authority; or

150 (ii) a specific category of authority for title insurance; or

151 (c) a title insurance adjuster.

152 Section 3. Section **61-2-5** is amended to read:

153 **61-2-5. Division of Real Estate created -- Functions -- Director appointed --**

154 **Functions.**

155 (1) There is created within the Department of Commerce a Division of Real Estate. It
156 is responsible for the administration and enforcement of:

157 (a) this chapter;

158 (b) Title 57, Chapter 11, Utah Uniform Land Sales Practices Act;

159 (c) Title 57, Chapter 19, Timeshare and Camp Resort Act;

160 (d) Title 57, Chapter 23, Real Estate Cooperative Marketing Act;

161 (e) Chapter 2a, Real Estate [~~Education, Research, and~~] Recovery Fund Act;

162 (f) Chapter 2b, Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Act; and

163 (g) Chapter 2c, Utah Residential Mortgage Practices and Licensing Act.

164 (2) The division is under the direction and control of a director appointed by the
165 executive director of the department with the approval of the governor. The director holds the
166 office of director at the pleasure of the governor.

167 (3) The director, with the approval of the executive director, may employ personnel
168 necessary to discharge the duties of the division at salaries to be fixed by the director according
169 to standards established by the Department of Administrative Services.

170 (4) On or before October 1 of each year, the director shall, in conjunction with the
171 department, report to the governor and the Legislature concerning the division's work for the
172 preceding fiscal year ending June 30.

173 (5) The director, in conjunction with the executive director, shall prepare and submit to
174 the governor and the Legislature a budget for the fiscal year next following the convening of
175 the Legislature.

176 Section 4. Section **61-2c-101** is amended to read:

177 **CHAPTER 2c. UTAH RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE PRACTICES AND LICENSING**

178 **ACT**

179 **61-2c-101. Title.**

180 This chapter is known as the "Utah Residential Mortgage Practices and Licensing Act."

181 Section 5. Section **61-2c-102** is amended to read:

182 **61-2c-102. Definitions.**

183 (1) As used in this chapter:

184 (a) "Affiliate" means ~~[an individual or an entity that]~~ a person who directly, or
185 indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common
186 control with, a specified individual or entity.

187 (b) "Applicant" means ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person applying for a license under
188 this chapter.

189 (c) "Approved examination provider" means a person approved by the nationwide
190 database as an approved test provider.

191 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) "Associate lending manager" means ~~[a person]~~ an individual who:

192 (i) qualifies under this chapter as a principal lending manager; and

193 (ii) works by or on behalf of another principal lending manager in transacting the
194 business of residential mortgage loans.

195 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) "Branch office" means a licensed entity's office:

196 (i) for the transaction of the business of residential mortgage loans regulated under this
197 chapter; ~~[and]~~

198 (ii) other than the main office of the licensed entity~~[-]; and~~

199 (iii) that operates under the same business name as the licensed entity.

200 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) (i) "Business of residential mortgage loans" means for compensation to:

201 (A) engage in an act that makes an individual a loan originator;

202 ~~[(A)]~~ (B) make or originate a residential mortgage loan;

203 ~~[(B)]~~ (C) directly or indirectly solicit, place, or negotiate a residential mortgage loan
204 for another; or

205 ~~[(C)]~~ (D) render services related to the origination of a residential mortgage loan
206 including:

207 (I) taking an application; and

208 (II) communicating with the borrower and lender.

209 (ii) "Business of residential mortgage loans" does not include:

210 (A) the performance of [a] an administrative or clerical function such as:

211 ~~[(f) gathering information related to a residential mortgage loan on behalf of the~~
212 ~~prospective borrower or a person licensed under this chapter; or]~~

213 ~~[(H) an individual who works]~~

214 (I) the receipt, collection, or distribution of information common for the processing or
215 underwriting of a loan in the mortgage industry;

216 (II) communicating with a consumer to obtain information necessary for the processing
217 or underwriting of a residential mortgage loan; or

218 (III) working under the instruction of a person licensed under this chapter when
219 engaging in:

220 (Aa) requesting or gathering information other than taking an application;

221 (Bb) word processing;

222 (Cc) sending correspondence; or

223 (Dd) assembling files;

224 (B) ownership of an entity that engages in the business of residential mortgage loans if
225 the owner does not personally perform the acts listed in Subsection (1)~~(f)~~(f)(i); or

226 (C) except if an individual will engage in an activity as a loan originator, acting in one
227 or more of the following capacities:

228 ~~[(C) acting as]~~ (I) a loan wholesaler;

229 ~~[(D) acting as]~~ (II) an account executive for a loan wholesaler;

230 ~~[(E) acting as]~~ (III) a loan underwriter;

231 ~~[(F) acting as]~~ (IV) a loan closer; or

232 ~~[(G)]~~ (V) funding a loan.

233 (g) "Certified education provider" means a person who is certified under Section
234 61-2c-204.1 to provide one or more of the following:

235 (i) prelicensing education; or

236 (ii) continuing education.

237 ~~[(f)]~~ (h) "Closed-end" means a loan:

238 (i) with a fixed amount borrowed; and

239 (ii) that does not permit additional borrowing secured by the same collateral.

240 ~~[(g)]~~ (i) "Commission" means the Residential Mortgage Regulatory Commission
241 created in Section 61-2c-104.

242 ~~[(h)]~~ (j) "Compensation" means anything of economic value that is paid, loaned,
243 granted, given, donated, or transferred to an individual or entity for or in consideration of:

244 (i) services;

245 (ii) personal or real property; or

246 (iii) another thing of value.

247 (k) "Continuing education" means education taken by an individual licensed under this
248 chapter in order to meet the education requirements imposed by Sections 61-2c-204.1 and
249 61-2c-205 to renew a license under this chapter.

250 [~~(j)~~] (l) "Control," as used in Subsection (1)(a), means the power to directly or
251 indirectly:

252 (i) direct or exercise a controlling interest over:

253 (A) the management or policies of an entity; or

254 (B) the election of a majority of the directors, officers, managers, or managing partners
255 of an entity;

256 (ii) vote 20% or more of a class of voting securities of an entity by an individual; or

257 (iii) vote more than 5% of a class of voting securities of an entity by another entity.

258 [~~(j)~~] (m) "Depository institution" is as defined in Section 7-1-103.

259 [~~(k)~~] (n) "Director" means the director of the division.

260 [~~(l)~~] (o) "Division" means the Division of Real Estate.

261 [~~(m)~~] (p) "Dwelling" means a residential structure attached to real property that
262 contains one to four units including any of the following if used as a residence:

263 (i) a condominium unit;

264 (ii) a cooperative unit;

265 (iii) a manufactured home; or

266 (iv) a house.

267 [~~(n)~~] (q) "Entity" means:

268 (i) a corporation;

269 (ii) a limited liability company;

270 (iii) a partnership;

271 (iv) a company;

272 (v) an association;

273 (vi) a joint venture;

274 (vii) a business trust;

275 (viii) a trust; or

276 (ix) another organization.

277 [~~(r)~~] (r) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Department of
278 Commerce.

279 [~~(s)~~] (s) "Inactive status" means a dormant status into which an unexpired license is
280 placed when the holder of the license is not currently engaging in the business of residential
281 mortgage loans.

282 [~~(t)~~] (t) "Licensee" means ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person licensed with the division
283 under this chapter.

284 (u) "Licensing examination" means the examination required by Section 61-2c-204.1
285 or 61-2c-206 for an individual to obtain a license under this chapter.

286 (v) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(v)(ii), "loan originator" means an
287 individual who for compensation:

288 (A) takes a residential mortgage loan application; or

289 (B) offers or negotiates terms of a residential mortgage loan.

290 (ii) "Loan originator" does not include a person who:

291 (A) is described in Subsection (1)(v)(i), but who performs exclusively administrative
292 or clerical tasks as described in Subsection (1)(e)(ii)(A);

293 (B) unless compensated by a lender, a principal lending manager, or an agent of a
294 lender or principal lending manager:

295 (I) only performs real estate brokerage activities; and

296 (II) is licensed under Chapter 2, Division of Real Estate; and

297 (C) is solely involved in extension of credit relating to a timeshare plan, as defined in
298 11 U.S.C. Sec. 101(53D).

299 [~~(w)~~] (w) "Mortgage officer" means an individual who is licensed with the division to
300 transact the business of residential mortgage loans through a principal lending manager.

301 (x) "Nationwide database" means the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and
302 Registry, authorized under Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing, 12 U.S.C.
303 Sec. 5101, et seq.

304 (y) "Person" means an individual or entity.

305 (z) "Prelicensing education" means education taken by an individual seeking to be
306 licensed under this chapter in order to meet the education requirements imposed by Section

307 61-2c-204.1 or 61-2c-206 for an individual to obtain a license under this chapter.

308 [~~s~~] (aa) (i) "Principal lending manager" means [~~a person~~] an individual licensed as a
309 principal lending manager under Section 61-2c-206 to transact the business of residential
310 mortgage loans.

311 (ii) [~~A person~~] An individual licensed as a principal lending manager may transact the
312 business of residential mortgage loans as a mortgage officer.

313 [~~t~~] (bb) "Record" means information that is:

314 (i) prepared, owned, received, or retained by [~~an individual or entity~~] a person; and

315 (ii) (A) inscribed on a tangible medium; or

316 (B) (I) stored in an electronic or other medium; and

317 (II) retrievable in perceivable form.

318 [~~t~~] (cc) "Residential mortgage loan" means [~~a closed-end, first mortgage loan or~~] an
319 extension of credit, if:

320 (i) the loan or extension of credit is secured by a:

321 (A) mortgage;

322 (B) deed of trust; or

323 (C) [~~lien~~] consensual security interest; [~~and~~]

324 (ii) the mortgage, deed of trust, or [~~lien~~] consensual security interest described in

325 Subsection (1)[~~t~~](cc)(i):

326 (A) is on a dwelling located in the state; and

327 (B) is created with the consent of the owner of the residential real property[-]; and

328 (iii) solely for the purposes of defining "loan originator," the extension of credit is

329 primarily for personal, family, or household use.

330 [~~v~~] (dd) "State" means:

331 (i) a state, territory, or possession of the United States;

332 (ii) the District of Columbia; or

333 (iii) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

334 (ee) "Unique identifier" is as defined in 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5102.

335 (2) (a) If a term not defined in this section is defined by rule, the term shall have the
336 meaning established by the division by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
337 Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.

338 (b) If a term not defined in this section is not defined by rule, the term shall have the
339 meaning commonly accepted in the business community.

340 Section 6. Section **61-2c-103** is amended to read:

341 **61-2c-103. Powers and duties of the division.**

342 (1) The division shall administer this chapter.

343 (2) In addition to ~~[any]~~ a power or duty expressly provided in this chapter, the division
344 may:

345 (a) receive and act on a complaint including:

346 (i) taking action designed to obtain voluntary compliance with this chapter; or

347 (ii) commencing an administrative or judicial proceeding on the division's own
348 initiative;

349 (b) establish one or more programs for the education of consumers with respect to
350 residential mortgage loans;

351 (c) (i) make one or more studies appropriate to effectuate the purposes and policies of
352 this chapter; and

353 (ii) make the results of the studies described in Subsection (2)(c)(i) available to the
354 public;

355 (d) visit and investigate ~~[an entity]~~ a person licensed under this chapter, regardless of
356 whether the ~~[entity]~~ person is located in Utah; and

357 (e) employ one or more necessary hearing examiners, investigators, clerks, and other
358 employees and agents.

359 (3) The division shall make rules for the administration of this chapter in accordance
360 with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, including:

361 (a) licensure procedures for:

362 (i) ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person required by this chapter to obtain a license with the
363 division; and

364 (ii) the establishment of a branch office by an entity;

365 (b) proper handling of ~~[funds]~~ monies received by a licensee;

366 (c) record-keeping requirements by a licensee; ~~[and]~~

367 (d) certification procedures for certifying an education provider; and

368 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) standards of conduct for a licensee or certified education provider.

369 (4) The division may make available to the public a list of the names and mailing
370 addresses of [all] licensees:

371 (a) either directly or through a third party; and

372 (b) at a reasonable cost.

373 [~~(5) The division shall:~~]

374 [~~(a) certify an education provider who offers:~~]

375 [~~(i) prelicensing education to candidates for licensure under this chapter; or]~~

376 [~~(ii) continuing education to individuals licensed under this chapter; and]~~

377 [~~(b) make available to the public, licensees, and candidates for licensure a list of the~~
378 ~~names and addresses of all education providers certified under this Subsection (5).]~~

379 [~~(6) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,~~
380 ~~the division shall make rules establishing:~~]

381 [~~(a) certification criteria and procedures for a provider of prelicensing education and~~
382 ~~continuing education; and]~~

383 [~~(b) standards of conduct for a certified education provider.]~~

384 [~~(7) The division may charge a fee established in accordance with Section 63J-1-303~~
385 ~~for processing a change that a licensee is required by Section 61-2c-205 to report to the~~
386 ~~division.]~~

387 [~~(8) (a) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,~~
388 ~~and this Subsection (8), the division shall make rules establishing a licensure procedure for~~
389 ~~obtaining both a principal lending manager license and an entity license at the same time that~~
390 ~~applies if the principal lending manager is the only individual that transacts the business of~~
391 ~~residential mortgage loans on behalf of the entity, including as an employee or agent of the~~
392 ~~entity.]~~

393 [~~(b) A rule made under this Subsection (8) shall require that to obtain or renew both a~~
394 ~~principal lending manager license and an entity license, an individual described in Subsection~~
395 ~~(8)(a) is required to only:]~~

396 [~~(i) complete one licensing process for the term of a license; and]~~

397 [~~(ii) pay one licensing fee for the term of a license.]~~

398 (5) The division shall annually:

399 (a) review the requirements related to the nationwide database imposed by federal law

400 or the nationwide database on:

401 (i) the division;

402 (ii) a licensee under this chapter;

403 (iii) a certified education provider; or

404 (iv) an approved examination provider; and

405 (b) after the review required by Subsection (5)(a):

406 (i) report to the Business and Labor Interim Committee the impact of the requirements

407 on the implementation by the division of this chapter; and

408 (ii) recommend legislation, if any, to the Business and Labor Interim Committee

409 related to how the division should coordinate with the nationwide database.

410 (6) The division may by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah

411 Administrative Rulemaking Act, require as a condition of maintaining a license or certification

412 under this chapter that a person comply with a requirement of the nationwide database if:

413 (a) required for uniformity amongst states; and

414 (b) not inconsistent with this chapter.

415 Section 7. Section **61-2c-104** is amended to read:

416 **61-2c-104. Residential Mortgage Regulatory Commission.**

417 (1) (a) There is created within the division the "Residential Mortgage Regulatory
418 Commission" consisting of the following members appointed by the executive director with the
419 approval of the governor:

420 (i) four members [~~having~~] who:

421 (A) have at least three years of experience in transacting the business of residential
422 mortgage loans; and [~~who~~]

423 (B) are [~~currently~~] licensed under this chapter at the time of and during appointment;

424 and

425 (ii) one member from the general public.

426 (b) (i) The executive director with the approval of the governor may appoint an
427 alternate member to the board.

428 (ii) The alternate member shall:

429 (A) at the time of the appointment, have at least three years of experience in transacting
430 the business of residential mortgage loans; and

431 (B) be licensed under this chapter at the time of and during appointment.

432 (2) (a) Except as required by Subsection (2)(b), the executive director shall appoint
433 ~~[each]~~ a new member or reappointed member subject to appointment by the executive director
434 to a four-year term ending June 30.

435 (b) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (2)(a), the executive director shall,
436 at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms
437 of commission members are staggered so that approximately half of the commission is
438 appointed every two years.

439 (c) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the commission for any reason, the
440 ~~[replacement shall be appointed]~~ executive director shall appoint a replacement for the
441 unexpired term.

442 (3) Members of the commission shall annually select one member to serve as chair.

443 (4) (a) The commission shall meet at least quarterly.

444 (b) The director may call a meeting in addition to the meetings required by Subsection
445 (4)(a):

446 (i) at the discretion of the director;

447 (ii) at the request of the chair of the commission; or

448 (iii) at the written request of three or more commission members.

449 (5) (a) Three members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of
450 business.

451 (b) If a quorum of members is unavailable for any meeting and an alternate member
452 ~~[has been]~~ is appointed to the commission by the executive director with the approval of the
453 governor, the alternate member shall serve as a regular member of the commission for that
454 meeting if with the presence of the alternate member there is a quorum present at the meeting.

455 (c) The action of a majority of a quorum present is an action of the commission.

456 (6) (a) (i) A member who is not a government employee ~~[shall]~~ may not receive ~~[no]~~
457 compensation or benefits for the member's services, but may receive per diem and expenses
458 incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at the rates established by the
459 Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

460 (ii) A member who is not a government employee may decline to receive per diem and
461 expenses for the member's service.

462 (b) (i) A state government officer and employee member who does not receive salary,
463 per diem, or expenses from the member's agency for the member's service may receive per
464 diem and expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties from the
465 commission at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and
466 63A-3-107.

467 (ii) A state government officer and employee member may decline to receive per diem
468 and expenses for the member's service.

469 (7) ~~[The]~~ In addition to a duty or power expressly provided for elsewhere in this
470 chapter, the commission shall:

471 (a) except as provided in Subsection 61-2c-202(2), concur in the licensure or denial of
472 licensure of ~~[individuals and entities]~~ a person under this chapter in accordance with Part 2,
473 Licensure;

474 (b) take disciplinary action with the concurrence of the director in accordance with Part
475 4, Enforcement; and

476 (c) advise the division concerning matters related to the administration and
477 enforcement of this chapter~~[-and]~~.

478 ~~[(d) with the concurrence of the division, determine the requirements for:]~~

479 ~~[(i) the examination required under Section 61-2c-202, covering at least:]~~

480 ~~[(A) the fundamentals of the English language;]~~

481 ~~[(B) arithmetic;]~~

482 ~~[(C) the provisions of this chapter;]~~

483 ~~[(D) rules adopted by the division;]~~

484 ~~[(E) basic residential mortgage principles and practices; and]~~

485 ~~[(F) any other aspect of Utah law the commission determines is appropriate;]~~

486 ~~[(ii) with the concurrence of the division, the continuing education requirements under~~
487 ~~Section 61-2c-205, including:]~~

488 ~~[(A) except as provided in Subsection 61-2c-202(4)(a)(iii) and Subsection~~
489 ~~61-2c-206(1)(c), the appropriate number of hours of prelicensing education and required~~
490 ~~continuing education; and]~~

491 ~~[(B) the subject matter of courses the division may accept for continuing education~~
492 ~~purposes;]~~

493 ~~[(iii) with the concurrence of the division, the prelicensing education required under~~
 494 ~~Sections 61-2c-202 and 61-2c-206, including online education or distance learning options;~~
 495 ~~and]~~

496 ~~[(iv) the examination required under Section 61-2c-206 covering:]~~

497 ~~[(A) advanced residential mortgage principles and practices; and]~~

498 ~~[(B) other aspects of Utah law the commission, with the concurrence of the division,~~
 499 ~~determines appropriate.]~~

500 ~~[(8) The commission may appoint a committee to make recommendations to the~~
 501 ~~commission concerning approval of prelicensing education and continuing education courses.]~~

502 ~~[(9) The commission and the division shall make the examination and prelicensing~~
 503 ~~education and continuing education requirements described in this section available through~~
 504 ~~the Internet or other distance education methods approved by the commission and division~~
 505 ~~when reasonably practicable.]~~

506 ~~[(10) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,~~
 507 ~~the commission, with the concurrence of the division, shall make rules establishing procedures~~
 508 ~~under which a licensee may be exempted from continuing education requirements:]~~

509 ~~[(a) for a period not to exceed four years; and]~~

510 ~~[(b) upon a finding of reasonable cause.]~~

511 Section 8. Section **61-2c-105** is amended to read:

512 **61-2c-105. Scope of chapter -- Exemptions.**

513 (1) (a) ~~[This]~~ Except as to an individual who will engage in an activity as a loan
 514 originator, this chapter applies to a closed-end residential mortgage loan secured by a first lien
 515 or equivalent security interest on a ~~[one to four unit]~~ dwelling.

516 (b) This chapter does not apply to a transaction covered by Title 70C, Utah Consumer
 517 Credit Code.

518 (2) The following are exempt from this chapter:

519 (a) the federal government;

520 (b) a state;

521 (c) a political subdivision of a state;

522 (d) an agency of or entity created by a governmental entity described in Subsections

523 (2)(a) through (c) including:

- 524 (i) the Utah Housing Corporation created in Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 9, Utah Housing
 525 Corporation Act;
- 526 (ii) the Federal National Mortgage Corporation;
- 527 (iii) the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;
- 528 (iv) the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;
- 529 (v) the Resolution Trust Corporation;
- 530 (vi) the Government National Mortgage Association;
- 531 (vii) the Federal Housing Administration;
- 532 (viii) the National Credit Union Administration;
- 533 (ix) the Farmers Home Administration; and
- 534 (x) the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;
- 535 (e) a depository institution;
- 536 (f) an affiliate of a depository institution;
- 537 (g) an employee or agent of an entity described in Subsections (2)(a) through (f) when
 538 that person acts on behalf of the entity described in Subsections (2)(a) through (f);
- 539 ~~[(h) an individual or entity:]~~
- 540 (h) except as provided in Subsection (3), a person who:
- 541 (i) ~~[that]~~ makes a loan:
- 542 (A) secured by an interest in real property;
- 543 (B) with the ~~[individual's or the entity's]~~ person's own money; and
- 544 (C) for the ~~[individual's or entity's]~~ person's own investment; and
- 545 (ii) that does not engage in the business of making loans secured by an interest in real
 546 property;
- 547 (i) ~~[an individual or entity]~~ except as provided in Subsection (3), a person who receives
 548 a mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~ consensual security interest on real property if the individual
 549 or entity:
- 550 (i) is the seller of real property; and
- 551 (ii) receives the mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~ consensual security interest on real
 552 property as security for a separate money obligation;
- 553 (j) ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person who receives a mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~
 554 consensual security interest on real property if:

555 (i) the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person receives the mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~
 556 consensual security interest as security for an obligation payable on an installment or deferred
 557 payment basis;

558 (ii) the obligation described in Subsection (2)(j)(i) arises from ~~[an individual or entity]~~
 559 a person providing materials or services used in the improvement of the real property that is the
 560 subject of the mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~ consensual security interest; and

561 (iii) the mortgage, deed of trust, or ~~[lien]~~ consensual security interest ~~[was]~~ is created
 562 without the consent of the owner of the real property that is the subject of the mortgage, deed
 563 of trust, or ~~[lien]~~ consensual security interest;

564 (k) a nonprofit corporation that:

565 (i) is exempt from paying federal income taxes;

566 (ii) is certified by the United States Small Business Administration as a small business
 567 investment company;

568 (iii) is organized to promote economic development in this state; and

569 (iv) has as its primary activity providing financing for business expansion;

570 (l) except as provided in Subsection (3), a court appointed fiduciary; or

571 (m) an attorney admitted to practice law in this state:

572 (i) if the attorney is not principally engaged in the business of negotiating residential
 573 mortgage loans; and

574 (ii) when the attorney renders services in the course of the attorney's practice as an
 575 attorney.

576 (3) An individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator is exempt from
 577 this chapter only if the individual is:

578 (a) an employee of:

579 (i) a depository institution;

580 (ii) a subsidiary of a depository institution that is:

581 (A) owned and controlled by the depository institution; and

582 (B) regulated by a federal banking agency, as defined in 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5102; or

583 (iii) an institution regulated by the Farm Credit Administration; or

584 (b) an employee or agent exempt under Subsection (2)(g).

585 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(m), an attorney exempt from this chapter

586 may not engage in conduct described in Section 61-2c-301 when transacting business of
587 residential mortgage loans.

588 (b) If an attorney exempt from this chapter violates Subsection ~~[(3)]~~ (4)(a), the
589 attorney:

590 (i) is not subject to enforcement by the division under Part 4, Enforcement; and

591 (ii) is subject to disciplinary action generally applicable to an attorney admitted to
592 practice law in this state.

593 (c) If the division receives a complaint alleging an attorney exempt from this chapter is
594 in violation of Subsection ~~[(3)]~~ (4)(a), the division shall forward the complaint to the Utah
595 State Bar for disciplinary action.

596 ~~[(4) (a) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,~~
597 ~~the division shall, by rule, determine a date, on or after December 31, 2004, after which an~~
598 ~~individual who is exempt under Subsection (2) may voluntarily obtain a license pursuant to~~
599 ~~Subsection (4)(b):]~~

600 ~~[(b) (i) After the date described in Subsection (4)(a), an]~~

601 (5) (a) An individual who is exempt under Subsection (2) or (3) may voluntarily obtain
602 a license under this chapter by complying with Part 2, Licensure.

603 ~~[(i)]~~ (b) An individual who voluntarily obtains a license pursuant to this Subsection
604 ~~[(4)(b)]~~ (5) shall comply with all the provisions of this chapter.

605 Section 9. Section **61-2c-106** is amended to read:

606 **61-2c-106. Addresses provided the division.**

607 (1) (a) In providing an address to the division under this chapter, a person shall provide
608 a physical location or street address ~~[shall be provided]~~.

609 (b) The following ~~[are]~~ is public information:

610 (i) a business address; or

611 (ii) a mailing address.

612 (2) ~~[An individual or entity licensed under this chapter will be]~~ A licensee is
613 considered to have received ~~[any]~~ a notification that is mailed to the last mailing address
614 furnished to the division by ~~[the individual, or by]~~:

615 (a) if the licensee is an individual, the individual; or

616 (b) if the licensee is an entity, the principal lending manager of the entity ~~[, licensed~~

617 ~~under this chapter].~~

618 Section 10. Section **61-2c-201** is amended to read:

619 **61-2c-201. Licensure required of person engaged in the business of residential**
620 **mortgage loans -- Mortgage officer -- Principal lending manager.**

621 (1) Unless exempt from this chapter under Section 61-2c-105, [~~an individual or entity~~]
622 a person may not transact the business of residential mortgage loans[~~, as defined in Section~~
623 ~~61-2c-102,~~] without obtaining a license under this chapter.

624 (2) For purposes of this chapter, [~~an individual or entity~~] a person transacts business in
625 this state if:

626 (a) (i) the [~~individual or entity~~] person engages in an act that constitutes the business of
627 residential mortgage loans; and

628 (ii) (A) the act described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) is directed to or received in this state;
629 and

630 (B) the real property that is the subject of the act described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) is
631 located in this state; or

632 (b) a representation is made by the [~~individual or entity~~] person that the [~~individual or~~
633 ~~entity~~] person transacts the business of residential mortgage loans in this state.

634 (3) An individual who has an ownership interest in an entity required to be licensed
635 under this chapter is not required to obtain an individual license under this chapter unless the
636 individual transacts the business of residential mortgage loans.

637 (4) Unless otherwise exempted under this chapter, licensure under this chapter is
638 required of both:

639 (a) the individual who directly transacts the business of residential mortgage loans; and

640 (b) if the individual transacts business as an employee or agent of an entity or
641 individual, the entity or individual for whom the employee or agent transacts the business of
642 residential mortgage loans.

643 (5) (a) An individual licensed under this chapter may not engage in the business of
644 residential mortgage loans on behalf of more than one entity at the same time.

645 (b) This Subsection (5) does not restrict the number of:

646 (i) different lenders [~~an individual or entity~~] a person may use as a funding source for
647 residential mortgage loans; or

648 (ii) entities in which an individual may have an ownership interest, regardless of
649 whether the entities are:

650 (A) licensed under this chapter; or

651 (B) exempt under Section 61-2c-105.

652 (6) An individual licensed under this chapter may not transact the business of
653 residential mortgage loans for the following at the same time:

654 (a) an entity licensed under this chapter; and

655 (b) an entity that is exempt from licensure under Section 61-2c-105.

656 (7) A mortgage officer may not receive consideration for transacting the business of
657 residential mortgage loans from any person or entity except the principal lending manager with
658 whom the mortgage officer is licensed.

659 (8) A mortgage officer shall conduct all business of residential mortgage loans:

660 (a) through the principal lending manager with which the individual is licensed; and

661 (b) in the business name under which the principal lending manager is authorized by
662 the division to do business.

663 [~~(9)(a)(i) This Subsection (9)(a) does not apply to an individual who transacts the
664 business of residential mortgage loans as an employee or agent of another individual or entity.]~~

665 [~~(i)~~] (9)(a) If an entity that is authorized by this chapter to transact the business of
666 residential mortgage loans transacts the business of residential mortgage loans under an
667 assumed business name, the entity shall:

668 [~~(A)~~] (i) register the assumed name with the division; and

669 [~~(B)~~] (ii) furnish the division proof that the assumed business name [~~has been~~] is filed
670 with the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code pursuant to Title 42, Chapter 2,
671 Conducting Business Under Assumed Name.

672 (b) The division may charge a fee established in accordance with Section 63J-1-303 for
673 registering an assumed name pursuant to this Subsection (9).

674 (10) A licensee whose license is in inactive status may not transact the business of
675 residential mortgage loans.

676 Section 11. Section **61-2c-202** is amended to read:

677 **61-2c-202. Licensure procedures.**

678 (1) To apply for licensure under this chapter an applicant shall:

- 679 (a) submit to the division a licensure statement that:
- 680 (i) lists any name under which the ~~[individual or entity]~~ applicant will transact business
- 681 in this state;
- 682 (ii) lists the address of the principal business location of the applicant;
- 683 (iii) if the applicant is an entity:
- 684 (A) lists the principal lending manager of the entity; and
- 685 (B) contains the signature of the principal lending manager;
- 686 (iv) demonstrates that the applicant meets the qualifications listed in Section
- 687 61-2c-203;
- 688 (v) if the applicant is an entity, lists:
- 689 (A) all jurisdictions in which the entity is registered, licensed, or otherwise regulated in
- 690 the business of residential mortgage loans; and
- 691 (B) the history of any disciplinary action or adverse administrative action taken against
- 692 the entity by ~~[any]~~ a regulatory agency [within the ten years preceding the application]; and
- 693 (vi) includes any information required by the division by rule;
- 694 (b) if the applicant is an individual, the applicant shall provide:
- 695 (i) (A) a fingerprint card in a form acceptable to the division; and
- 696 (B) consent to a criminal background check by:
- 697 (I) the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification; and
- 698 (II) the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
- 699 (ii) evidence using a method approved by the division of having successfully
- 700 completed approved prelicensing education in accordance with Section 61-2c-204.1;
- 701 (iii) evidence using a method approved by the division by rule of having successfully
- 702 passed a licensing examination in accordance with Section 61-2c-204.1; and
- 703 (iv) if the applicant will engage in an activity as a loan originator:
- 704 (A) the individual's unique identifier;
- 705 (B) any other evidence required by the division by rule demonstrating that the
- 706 individual has submitted the following to the nationwide database:
- 707 (I) a fingerprint card in a form acceptable to the nationwide database;
- 708 (II) consent to a criminal background check by:
- 709 (Aa) the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification; and

710 (Bb) the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and
711 (III) information requested by the nationwide database regarding personal history and
712 experience including authorization for the nationwide database and division to obtain:
713 (Aa) an independent credit report obtained from a consumer reporting agency
714 described in 15 U.S.C. Sec. 1681 et seq.; and
715 (Bb) information related to an administrative, civil, or criminal finding of a
716 governmental jurisdiction; and
717 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) pay to the division:
718 (i) an application fee established by the division in accordance with Section 63J-1-303;
719 and
720 (ii) the reasonable expenses incurred in processing the application for licensure,
721 including the costs incurred by the division under Subsection (4)~~[-and]~~.
722 ~~[(c) comply with Subsection (4).]~~
723 (2) (a) The division shall issue a license to an applicant if the division, with the
724 concurrence of the commission, finds that the applicant:
725 (i) meets the qualifications of ~~[Section]~~ Sections 61-2c-203 and 61-2c-204.1; and
726 (ii) complies with this section.
727 (b) The commission may delegate to the division the authority to:
728 (i) review a class or category of application for an initial or renewed license;
729 (ii) determine whether an applicant meets the licensing criteria in ~~[Section]~~ Sections
730 61-2c-203 and 61-2c-204.1;
731 (iii) conduct a necessary hearing on an application; and
732 (iv) approve or deny a license application without concurrence by the commission.
733 (c) If the commission delegates to the division the authority to approve or deny an
734 application without concurrence by the commission and the division denies an application for
735 licensure, the applicant who is denied licensure may petition the commission for review of the
736 denial.
737 (d) An applicant who is denied licensure under Subsection (2)(b) may seek agency
738 review by the executive director only after the commission reviews the division's denial of the
739 applicant's application.
740 (3) Subject to Subsection (2)(d) and in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 4,

741 Administrative Procedures Act, an applicant who is denied licensure under this chapter may
 742 submit a request for agency review to the executive director within 30 days following the day
 743 on which the commission order denying the licensure is issued.

744 ~~[(4) (a) An individual applying for a license under this chapter shall:]~~

745 ~~[(i) submit a fingerprint card in a form acceptable to the division at the time the~~
 746 ~~licensure statement is filed;]~~

747 ~~[(ii) consent to a criminal background check by:]~~

748 ~~[(A) the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification; and]~~

749 ~~[(B) the Federal Bureau of Investigation;]~~

750 ~~[(iii) provide proof using a method approved by the division of having successfully~~
 751 ~~completed approved prelicensing education required by the commission under Section~~
 752 ~~61-2c-104;]~~

753 ~~[(A) before taking the examination required by Subsection (4)(a)(iv); and]~~

754 ~~[(B) in the number of hours, not to exceed 90 hours, required by rule made by the~~
 755 ~~division in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act; and]~~

756 ~~[(iv) provide proof using a method approved by the division of having successfully~~
 757 ~~passed an examination approved by the commission under Section 61-2c-104;]~~

758 ~~[(b)]~~ (4) (a) The division shall request the Department of Public Safety to complete;

759 (i) for an applicant who will engage in an activity as a loan originator, a criminal
 760 background check by the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification; or

761 (ii) for an applicant who will not engage in an activity as a loan originator, a Federal
 762 Bureau of Investigation criminal background check [for an applicant] through a national
 763 criminal history system.

764 ~~[(c) The]~~ (b) An applicant shall pay the cost of:

765 (i) the fingerprinting required by this section; and

766 (ii) the criminal background check required by this section.

767 ~~[(d) (i) A license under this chapter is conditional pending completion of the criminal~~
 768 ~~background check required by this Subsection (4);]~~

769 ~~[(ii) If a criminal background check discloses that an applicant fails to accurately~~
 770 ~~disclose a criminal history, the license shall be immediately and automatically revoked;]~~

771 ~~[(iii) An individual or entity whose conditional license is revoked under Subsection~~

772 ~~(4)(d)(ii) may appeal the revocation in a hearing conducted by the commission:]~~

773 ~~[(A) after the revocation; and]~~

774 ~~[(B) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.]~~

775 ~~[(iv) The commission may delegate to the division or an administrative law judge the~~

776 ~~authority to conduct a hearing described in Subsection (4)(d)(iii).]~~

777 ~~[(v) Relief from a revocation may be granted only if:]~~

778 ~~[(A) the criminal history upon which the division based the revocation:]~~

779 ~~[(F) did not occur; or]~~

780 ~~[(H) is the criminal history of another person;]~~

781 ~~[(B) (F) the revocation is based on a failure to accurately disclose a criminal history;~~

782 ~~and]~~

783 ~~[(H) the applicant had a reasonable good faith belief at the time of application that there~~

784 ~~was no criminal history to be disclosed; or]~~

785 ~~[(C) the division fails to follow the prescribed procedure for the revocation.]~~

786 ~~[(e) If a license is revoked or a revocation is upheld after a hearing described in~~

787 ~~Subsection (4)(d)(iii), the person may not apply for a new license for a period of 12 months~~

788 ~~after the day on which the license is revoked.]~~

789 ~~[(f)] (c) The funds paid by an applicant for the cost of the criminal background check~~

790 ~~shall be nonlapsing.~~

791 ~~[(g) The commission may delegate to the division the authority to make a decision on~~

792 ~~whether relief from a revocation should be granted.]~~

793 Section 12. Section **61-2c-203** is amended to read:

794 **61-2c-203. General qualifications for licensure.**

795 (1) To qualify for licensure under this chapter, an individual:

796 ~~[(a) shall have good moral character and the competency to transact the business of~~

797 ~~residential mortgage loans;]~~

798 ~~[(b)] (a) shall demonstrate [honesty, integrity, and truthfulness;]:~~

799 (i) financial responsibility;

800 (ii) good moral character; and

801 (iii) the competence to transact the business of residential mortgage loans, including

802 general fitness such as to command the confidence of the community and to warrant a

803 determination that the individual will operate honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the
 804 purposes of this chapter;

805 ~~[(e)]~~ (b) except as provided in Subsection (3), may not have been convicted of, pled
 806 guilty of, pled no contest to, pled guilty in a similar manner to, or resolved by diversion or its
 807 equivalent:

808 (i) a felony involving an act of fraud, dishonesty, a breach of trust, or money
 809 laundering;

810 (ii) a felony in the seven years preceding the day on which an application is submitted
 811 to the division;

812 (iii) in the ten years preceding the day on which an application is submitted to the
 813 division of:

814 ~~[(i) any]~~ (A) a felony or class A misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or

815 ~~[(ii) any]~~ (B) a crime in [any other] another jurisdiction that is the equivalent of a
 816 felony or class A misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;

817 ~~[(d) except as provided in Subsection (3), may not have been convicted]~~

818 (iv) in the five years preceding the day on which an application is submitted to the
 819 division [of]:

820 ~~[(i) any]~~ (A) a class B or class C misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or

821 ~~[(ii) any]~~ (B) a crime in another jurisdiction that is the equivalent of a class B or class
 822 C misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;

823 ~~[(e) except as provided in Subsection (3), in relationship to a crime set forth in~~
 824 ~~Subsection (1)(c) or (d) during the time period set forth in Subsection (1)(c) or (d), may not~~
 825 ~~have:]~~

826 ~~[(i) entered a guilty plea, a no contest plea, or its equivalent; and]~~

827 ~~[(ii) resolved by diversion or its equivalent;]~~

828 (c) if the applicant will engage in an activity as a loan originator, may not have had a
 829 license as a loan originator revoked by a governmental jurisdiction at any time;

830 ~~[(f)]~~ (d) except as provided in Subsection [61-2c-202(4)(e)] (3), may not have had a
 831 license or registration suspended, revoked, surrendered, canceled, or denied in the five years
 832 preceding the date the individual applies for licensure [except as provided in Subsection (3);]
 833 if:

834 (i) the registration or license is issued by this state or another jurisdiction; and
835 (ii) the suspension, revocation, surrender, probation, fine, cancellation, or denial is
836 based on misconduct in a professional capacity that relates to moral character, honesty,
837 integrity, truthfulness, or the competency to transact the business of residential mortgage loans;
838 ~~[(g)]~~ (e) except as provided in Subsection (3), may not have been the subject of a bar
839 by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange, or the National
840 Association of Securities Dealers within the five years preceding the date the individual applies
841 for registration; and

842 ~~[(h)]~~ (f) may not have had ~~[any]~~ a temporary or permanent injunction entered against
843 the individual:

844 (i) by a court or licensing agency; and
845 (ii) on the basis of:
846 (A) conduct or a practice involving the business of residential mortgage loans; or
847 (B) conduct involving fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit.

848 (2) To qualify for licensure under this chapter an entity may not have:
849 (a) any of the following individuals in management who fails to meet the requirements
850 of Subsection (1) for an individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator:
851 (i) a manager or a managing partner;
852 (ii) a director;
853 (iii) an executive officer; or
854 (iv) an individual occupying a position or performing functions similar to those
855 described in Subsections (2)(a)(i) through (iii); or
856 (b) a principal lending manager who fails to meet the requirements of Subsection (1)
857 for an individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator.

858 (3) (a) Notwithstanding the failure to meet the requirements of ~~[Subsections (1)(c)~~
859 ~~through (h)]~~ Subsections (1)(b)(iii), (b)(iv), (d), (e), and (f) and except as provided in
860 Subsection (3)(b), the division may permit ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person to be licensed
861 under this chapter if the individual applicant or a person listed in Subsection (2):
862 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) fails to meet the requirements of Subsections (1)~~[(c) through (h)]~~(b)(iii),
863 (b)(iv), (d), (e), and (f);
864 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) otherwise meets the qualifications for licensure; and

865 [(e)] (iii) provides evidence satisfactory to the division with the concurrence of the
866 commission that the individual applicant or person described in Subsection (2):

867 [(i)] (A) is of good moral character;

868 [(ii)] (B) is honest;

869 [(iii)] (C) has integrity;

870 [(iv)] (D) is truthful; and

871 [(v)] (E) has the competency to transact the business of residential mortgage loans.

872 (b) The division may not license an individual under this Subsection (3) if that

873 individual will engage in an activity as a loan originator.

874 Section 13. Section **61-2c-204.1** is enacted to read:

875 **61-2c-204.1. Education providers -- Education requirements -- Examination**
876 **requirements.**

877 (1) As used in this section:

878 (a) "Approved continuing education course" means a course of continuing education
879 that is approved by the nationwide database.

880 (b) "Approved prelicensing education course" means a course of prelicensing education
881 that is approved by the nationwide database.

882 (2) (a) A person may not provide prelicensing education or continuing education if that
883 person is not certified by the division under this chapter.

884 (b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
885 division shall make rules establishing:

886 (i) certification criteria and procedures to become a certified education provider; and

887 (ii) standards of conduct for a certified education provider.

888 (c) In accordance with the rules described in Subsection (2)(b), the division shall

889 certify a person to provide one or more of the following:

890 (i) prelicensing education; or

891 (ii) continuing education.

892 (d) The division shall make available to the public a list of the names and addresses of
893 certified education providers.

894 (e) In certifying an education provider, the division by rule may:

895 (i) distinguish between an individual instructor and an entity that provides education;

896 or

897 (ii) approve prelicensing education or continuing education courses.

898 (3) (a) The division may not:

899 (i) license an individual under this chapter as a mortgage officer who has not

900 completed the prelicensing education required by this section:

901 (A) before taking the licensing examination required by Subsection (4); and

902 (B) in the number of hours, not to exceed 90 hours, required by rule made by the

903 division in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, except

904 that the division shall require that a person who will engage in an activity as a loan originator

905 complete at least 20 hours of approved prelicensing education courses that include at least:

906 (I) three hours of federal law and regulation;

907 (II) three hours of ethics that includes instruction on fraud, consumer protection, and

908 fair lending issues; and

909 (III) two hours of training related to lending standards for the nontraditional mortgage

910 product marketplace;

911 (ii) subject to Subsection (6), renew a license of an individual who has not completed

912 the continuing education required by this section and Section 61-2c-205; or

913 (iii) the division may not license an individual under this chapter as a principal lending

914 manager who has not completed the prelicensing education required by Section 61-2c-206

915 before taking the licensing examination required by Section 61-2c-206.

916 (b) Subject to Subsection (3)(a) and with the concurrence of the division, the

917 commission shall determine:

918 (i) except as provided in Subsection 61-2c-206(1)(c), the appropriate number of hours

919 of prelicensing education required to obtain a license;

920 (ii) the subject matters of the prelicensing education required under this section and

921 Section 61-2c-206, including online education or distance learning options;

922 (iii) the appropriate number of hours of continuing education required to renew a

923 license, except that at a minimum the continuing education required for a person who engages

924 in an activity as a loan originator shall include at least eight hours annually of approved

925 continuing education courses that include at least:

926 (A) three hours of federal law and regulations;

927 (B) two hours of ethics, that include instruction on fraud, consumer protection, and fair
928 lending issues; and

929 (C) two hours of training related to lending standards for the nontraditional mortgage
930 product marketplace; and

931 (iv) the subject matter of courses the division may accept for continuing education
932 purposes.

933 (c) The commission may appoint a committee to make recommendations to the
934 commission concerning approval of prelicensing education and continuing education courses.

935 (d) The division may by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
936 Administrative Rulemaking Act, provide for the calculation of continuing education credits,
937 except that the rules shall be consistent with 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5105.

938 (4) (a) The division may not license an individual under this chapter unless that
939 individual first passes a licensing examination administered by an approved examination
940 provider.

941 (b) The commission, with the concurrence of the division, shall determine the
942 requirements for:

943 (i) a licensing examination that at least:

944 (A) includes the qualified written test developed by the nationwide database; and

945 (B) tests knowledge of the:

946 (I) fundamentals of the English language;

947 (II) arithmetic;

948 (III) provisions of this chapter;

949 (IV) rules adopted under this chapter;

950 (V) basic residential mortgage principles and practices; and

951 (VI) any other aspect of Utah law the commission determines is appropriate; and

952 (ii) a licensing examination required under Section 61-2c-206 that:

953 (A) includes the qualified written test developed by the nationwide database; and

954 (B) tests knowledge of the:

955 (I) advanced residential mortgage principles and practices; and

956 (II) other aspects of Utah law the commission, with the concurrence of the division,
957 determines appropriate.

958 (c) An individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator, is not considered
959 to have passed a licensing examination if that individual has not met the minimum competence
960 requirements of 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5104(d)(3).

961 (5) When reasonably practicable, the commission and the division shall make the
962 licensing examination, prelicensing education, and continuing education requirements
963 described in this section available electronically through one or more distance education
964 methods approved by the commission and division.

965 (6) (a) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
966 the commission, with the concurrence of the division, shall make rules establishing procedures
967 under which a licensee may be exempted from continuing education requirements:

968 (i) for a period not to exceed four years; and
969 (ii) upon a finding of reasonable cause.

970 (b) An individual who engages in an activity as a loan originator may not under this
971 Subsection (6) be exempted from the eight hours of continuing education required under
972 Subsection (3)(b)(iii) for an individual who engages in an activity as a loan originator.

973 Section 14. Section **61-2c-205** is amended to read:

974 **61-2c-205. Term of licensure -- Renewal -- Reporting of changes.**

975 (1) (a) A license under this chapter is valid for [~~a two-year period~~] one year.

976 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a), the time period of a license may be extended or
977 shortened by as much as one year to maintain or change a renewal cycle established by rule by
978 the division.

979 (2) To renew a license, no later than the date the license expires, a licensee shall:

980 (a) (i) file the renewal form required by the division; and

981 (ii) furnish the information required by Subsection 61-2c-202(1);

982 (b) pay a fee to the division established by the division in accordance with Section
983 63J-1-303; and

984 (c) if the licensee is an individual and the individual's license is in active status at the
985 time of application for renewal, submit proof using forms approved by the division of having
986 completed during the [~~two years prior to~~] year before application the continuing education
987 required [~~by the commission~~] under Section [~~61-2c-104~~] 61-2c-204.1.

988 (3) (a) A licensee under this chapter shall notify the division using the form required by

989 the division within ten days of the date on which there is a change in:

990 (i) a name under which the licensee transacts the business of residential mortgage loans
991 in this state;

992 (ii) (A) if the licensee is an entity, the business location of the licensee; or

993 (B) if the licensee is an individual, the home and business addresses of the individual;

994 (iii) the principal lending manager of the entity;

995 (iv) the entity with which an individual licensee is licensed to conduct the business of
996 residential mortgage loans; or

997 (v) any other information that is defined as material by rule made by the division.

998 (b) Failure to notify the division of a change described in Subsection (3)(a) is separate
999 grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee.

1000 (4) A licensee shall notify the division by sending the division a signed statement
1001 within ten business days of:

1002 (a) (i) a conviction of ~~[any]~~ a criminal offense;

1003 (ii) the entry of a plea in abeyance to ~~[any]~~ a criminal offense; or

1004 (iii) the potential resolution of ~~[any]~~ a criminal case by:

1005 (A) a diversion agreement; or

1006 (B) any other agreement under which a criminal ~~[charges are]~~ charge is held in
1007 suspense for a period of time;

1008 (b) filing a personal bankruptcy or bankruptcy of a business that transacts the business
1009 of residential mortgage loans;

1010 (c) the suspension, revocation, surrender, cancellation, or denial of a professional
1011 license or professional registration of the licensee, whether the license or registration is issued
1012 by this state or another jurisdiction; or

1013 (d) the entry of a cease and desist order or a temporary or permanent injunction:

1014 (i) against the licensee by a court or licensing agency; and

1015 (ii) based on:

1016 (A) conduct or a practice involving the business of residential mortgage loans; or

1017 (B) conduct involving fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit.

1018 (5) (a) A license under this chapter expires if the licensee does not apply to renew the
1019 license on or before the expiration date of the license.

1020 (b) Within 30 calendar days after the expiration date, a licensee whose license has
1021 expired may apply to reinstate the expired license ~~[upon]~~ by:

1022 (i) ~~[payment of]~~ paying a renewal fee and a late fee determined by the division under
1023 Section 63J-1-303; and

1024 (ii) if the licensee is an individual and is applying to reinstate a license to active status,
1025 providing proof using forms approved by the division of having completed, during the ~~[two~~
1026 ~~years prior to]~~ year before application, the continuing education required ~~[by the commission]~~
1027 under Section ~~[61-2c-104]~~ 61-2c-204.1.

1028 (c) After the 30 calendar days described in Subsection (5)(b) and within six months
1029 after the expiration date, a licensee whose license has expired may apply to reinstate an expired
1030 license ~~[upon]~~ by:

1031 (i) ~~[payment of]~~ paying a renewal fee and a late fee determined by the division under
1032 Section 63J-1-303;

1033 (ii) if the licensee is an individual and is applying to reinstate a license to active status,
1034 providing proof using forms approved by the division of having completed, during the ~~[two~~
1035 ~~years prior to]~~ year before application, the continuing education required ~~[by the commission]~~
1036 under Section ~~[61-2c-104]~~ 61-2c-204.1; and

1037 (iii) in addition to the continuing education ~~[required for a timely renewal,]~~ described
1038 in Subsection (5)(c)(ii), providing proof of completing an additional 12 hours of continuing
1039 education [approved by the commission under Section 61-2c-104] meeting the requirements of
1040 Section 61-2c-204.1.

1041 (d) ~~[A]~~ The division shall issue a license to a licensee whose license [has been expired]
1042 expires under this Subsection (5) for more than six months [shall be relicensed as prescribed
1043 for an original] as if the licensee is a new applicant filing an application for an original license
1044 under Section 61-2c-202.

1045 (6) The division may charge a fee established in accordance with Section 63J-1-303 for
1046 processing a change that a licensee is required to report to the division under this section.

1047 Section 15. Section **61-2c-205.1** is enacted to read:

1048 **61-2c-205.1. Transition to use of nationwide database.**

1049 (1) An individual not required to be licensed under this chapter as in effect on
1050 December 31, 2010, who is required to be licensed under this chapter as in effect on January 1,

1051 2011, may not engage in the business of residential mortgage loans on or after January 1, 2011
1052 without holding a license under this chapter.

1053 (2) An individual who applies for a license under this chapter on or after January 1,
1054 2011, shall meet the requirements of this chapter as in effect on January 1, 2011.

1055 (3) (a) This Subsection (3) applies to a licensee who:

1056 (i) will engage in an activity as a loan originator on or after January 1, 2011; and

1057 (ii) holds an active license under this chapter on December 31, 2010.

1058 (b) A licensee shall comply with the requirements of this chapter as in effect on
1059 January 1, 2011, by no later than January 1, 2011, in order to hold an active license on or after
1060 January 1, 2011.

1061 (c) The license of a licensee that fails to comply with this section on or before January
1062 1, 2011 becomes inactive on January 1, 2011 until:

1063 (i) the day on which the licensee complies with the requirements of this chapter; or

1064 (ii) the license expires.

1065 (4) (a) A license of an individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator
1066 that is inactive on December 31, 2010, terminates as of January 1, 2011 unless that licensee
1067 provides on or before January 1, 2011, evidence satisfactory to the division that the licensee
1068 has complied with the requirements for registration under the nationwide database.

1069 (b) The division may by rule, made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
1070 Administrative Rulemaking Act, proscribe:

1071 (i) the "requirements for registration under the nationwide database" described in
1072 Subsection (4)(a);

1073 (ii) the evidence required by this Subsection (4); and

1074 (iii) the procedure for submitting the evidence required by this Subsection (4).

1075 (5) The division may make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
1076 Administrative Rulemaking Act, providing a process that is consistent with this section to
1077 transition the licensing of individuals engaged in the business of residential mortgage loans to
1078 the license requirements under this chapter as in effect on January 1, 2011.

1079 (6) The division may report or provide recommendations to the Legislature regarding
1080 changes, if any, that could be made to this chapter in response to changes made to the
1081 nationwide database or under Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing, 12 U.S.C.

1082 Sec. 5101, et seq., including changes related to grandfathering.

1083 Section 16. Section **61-2c-206** is amended to read:

1084 **61-2c-206. Principal lending manager licenses.**

1085 (1) To qualify as a principal lending manager under this chapter, an individual shall, in
1086 addition to meeting the standards in Section 61-2c-203:

1087 (a) submit an application on a form approved by the division;

1088 (b) pay a fee determined by the division under Section 63J-1-303;

1089 (c) submit proof of having successfully completed 40 hours of prelicensing education
1090 approved by the commission under Section ~~[61-2c-104]~~ 61-2c-204.1;

1091 (d) submit proof of having successfully completed the principal lending manager
1092 licensing examination approved by the commission under Section ~~[61-2c-104]~~ 61-2c-204.1;

1093 (e) submit proof on a form approved by the division of three years of full-time active
1094 experience as a mortgage officer in the five years preceding the day on which the application is
1095 submitted, or its equivalent as approved by the commission; and

1096 (f) if the individual is not licensed under this chapter at the time of application, submit
1097 to the criminal background check required by Subsection 61-2c-202~~(4)~~(1)(b).

1098 (2) A principal lending manager may not engage in the business of residential
1099 mortgage loans on behalf of more than one entity at the same time.

1100 Section 17. Section **61-2c-207** is amended to read:

1101 **61-2c-207. Reciprocal licensure.**

1102 (1) The division may enter into a reciprocity agreement with another state and issue a
1103 reciprocal license to a licensee of that state if the division determines that the:

1104 (a) state has substantially equivalent licensing laws, including compliance with Secure
1105 and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing, 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5101, et seq.;

1106 (b) state requires a licensing examination that is substantially equivalent to the
1107 examination required by this chapter; and

1108 (c) licensee has not had:

1109 (i) formal charges alleging a violation of state mortgage laws filed against the licensee;

1110 or

1111 (ii) disciplinary action or license restriction taken by the licensee's state of domicile.

1112 (2) The division may issue a reciprocal license to a licensee of a state with which the

1113 division does not have a reciprocity agreement if the individual:

1114 (a) submits to the division an affidavit that the individual has five years of experience
1115 in the business of residential mortgage loans;

1116 (b) establishes that the individual's experience described in Subsection (2)(a) was under
1117 requirements substantially equivalent to the licensing requirements of this chapter; and

1118 (c) provides any other information required by the division by rule under Subsection
1119 (3).

1120 (3) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
1121 division shall define the information an individual shall provide to the division pursuant to
1122 Subsection (2).

1123 Section 18. Section **61-2c-208** is amended to read:

1124 **61-2c-208. Activation and inactivation of license.**

1125 (1) (a) A licensee may request that the division place the license on inactive status by
1126 submitting an inactivation form approved by the division.

1127 (b) The license of a mortgage officer who or [~~mortgage~~] an entity that is not affiliated
1128 with an active license of a principal lending manager automatically converts to inactive status
1129 on the day on which the mortgage officer or [~~mortgage~~] entity is not affiliated with the active
1130 license of the principal lending manager.

1131 (c) A licensee whose license is in inactive status may not transact the business of
1132 residential mortgage loans.

1133 (2) To activate a license that [~~has been~~] is placed on inactive status, a licensee shall:

1134 (a) submit an activation form:

1135 (i) approved by the division; and

1136 (ii) signed by the principal lending manager with whom the licensee is affiliating;

1137 (b) pay an activation fee established by the division under Section 63J-1-303; [~~and~~]

1138 (c) if the licensee is an individual whose license was in inactive status at the time of the
1139 previous renewal, the licensee shall supply the division with proof of the successful completion
1140 of the number of hours of continuing education that the licensee would have been required to
1141 complete under [~~Subsection 61-2c-205(2)(c)] Section 61-2c-204.1 if the licensee's license had
1142 been on active status, up to a maximum of the number of hours required for two licensing
1143 periods[-]; and~~

- 1144 (d) pass the licensing examination described in Section 61-2c-204.1:
- 1145 (i) if the licensee is an individual who will engage in an activity as a loan originator;
- 1146 and
- 1147 (ii) the license has been in inactive status for five years or more from the day on which
- 1148 the licensee submits an inactivation form with the division.

1149 Section 19. Section **61-2c-301** is amended to read:

1150 **61-2c-301. Prohibited conduct -- Violations of the chapter.**

1151 (1) [~~An individual or entity~~] A person transacting the business of residential mortgage
1152 loans in this state may not:

- 1153 (a) give or receive compensation or anything of value in exchange for a referral of
1154 residential mortgage loan business;
- 1155 (b) charge a fee in connection with a residential mortgage loan transaction:
 - 1156 (i) that is excessive; or
 - 1157 (ii) if the [~~individual or entity~~] person does not comply with Section 70D-1-6;
- 1158 (c) give or receive compensation or anything of value in exchange for a referral of
1159 settlement or loan closing services related to a residential mortgage loan transaction;
- 1160 (d) do any of the following to induce a lender to extend credit as part of a residential
1161 mortgage loan transaction:
 - 1162 (i) make a false statement or representation;
 - 1163 (ii) cause false documents to be generated; or
 - 1164 (iii) knowingly permit false information to be submitted by any party;
- 1165 (e) give or receive compensation or anything of value, or withhold or threaten to
1166 withhold payment of an appraiser fee, to influence the independent judgment of an appraiser in
1167 reaching a value conclusion in a residential mortgage loan transaction, except that it is not a
1168 violation of this section for a licensee to withhold payment because of a bona fide dispute
1169 regarding a failure of the appraiser to comply with the licensing law or the Uniform Standards
1170 of Professional Appraisal Practice;
- 1171 (f) violate or not comply with:
 - 1172 (i) this chapter;
 - 1173 (ii) an order of the commission or division; or
 - 1174 (iii) a rule made by the division;

- 1175 (g) fail to respond within the required time period to:
- 1176 (i) a notice or complaint of the division; or
- 1177 (ii) a request for information from the division;
- 1178 (h) make false representations to the division, including in a licensure statement;
- 1179 (i) for ~~any~~ a residential mortgage loan transaction beginning on or after January 1,
- 1180 2004, engage in the business of residential mortgage loans with respect to the transaction if the
- 1181 ~~individual or entity~~ person also acts in any of the following capacities with respect to the
- 1182 same residential mortgage loan transaction:
- 1183 (i) appraiser;
- 1184 (ii) escrow agent;
- 1185 (iii) real estate agent;
- 1186 (iv) general contractor; or
- 1187 (v) title insurance agent;
- 1188 (j) order a title insurance report or hold a title insurance policy unless the ~~individual or~~
- 1189 ~~entity~~ person provides to the title insurer a copy of a valid, current license under this chapter;
- 1190 (k) engage in unprofessional conduct as defined by rule;
- 1191 (l) engage in an act or omission in transacting the business of residential mortgage
- 1192 loans that constitutes dishonesty, fraud, or misrepresentation;
- 1193 (m) engage in false or misleading advertising;
- 1194 (n) (i) fail to account for all funds received in connection with a residential mortgage
- 1195 loan;
- 1196 (ii) use funds for a different purpose from the purpose for which the funds were
- 1197 received; or
- 1198 (iii) except as provided in Subsection (4), retain funds paid for services if the services
- 1199 were not actually performed;
- 1200 (o) fail, within 90 calendar days of a request from a borrower who has paid for an
- 1201 appraisal, to give a copy of an appraisal ordered and used for a transaction to the borrower;
- 1202 (p) engage in an act that is performed to:
- 1203 (i) evade this chapter; or
- 1204 (ii) assist another person to evade this chapter;
- 1205 (q) recommend or encourage default or delinquency, or continuation of an existing

1206 default or delinquency, by a mortgage applicant on an existing indebtedness [~~prior to~~] before
1207 the closing of a residential mortgage loan that will refinance all or part of the indebtedness;

1208 (r) in the case of the principal lending manager of an entity or a branch office of an
1209 entity, fail to exercise reasonable supervision over the activities of:

1210 (i) [~~any~~] unlicensed staff; and

1211 (ii) [~~any~~] a mortgage [~~officers~~] officer who [~~are~~] is licensed with the principal lending
1212 manager;

1213 (s) pay or offer to pay an individual who does not hold a license under this chapter for
1214 work that requires the individual to hold a license under this chapter; or

1215 (t) in the case of a dual licensed title licensee as defined in Section 31A-2-402:

1216 (i) provide a title insurance product or service without the approval required by Section
1217 31A-2-405; or

1218 (ii) knowingly provide false or misleading information in the statement required by
1219 Subsection 31A-2-405(2).

1220 (2) Whether or not the crime is related to the business of residential mortgage loans, it
1221 is a violation of this chapter for a licensee or a person who is a certified education provider to
1222 do any of the following with respect to a criminal offense [~~which~~] that involves moral
1223 turpitude:

1224 (a) be convicted;

1225 (b) plead guilty or nolo contendere;

1226 (c) enter a plea in abeyance; or

1227 (d) be subjected to a criminal disposition similar to the ones described in Subsections
1228 (2)(a) through (c).

1229 (3) A principal lending manager does not violate Subsection (1)(r) if:

1230 (a) in contravention of the principal lending manager's written policies and
1231 instructions, an affiliated licensee of the principal lending manager violates:

1232 (i) this chapter; or

1233 (ii) rules made by the division under this chapter;

1234 (b) the principal lending manager established and followed reasonable procedures to
1235 ensure that affiliated licensees receive adequate supervision;

1236 (c) upon learning of a violation by an affiliated licensee, the principal lending manager

1237 attempted to prevent or mitigate the damage;

1238 (d) the principal lending manager did not participate in or ratify the violation by an
1239 affiliated licensee; and

1240 (e) the principal lending manager did not attempt to avoid learning of the violation.

1241 (4) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(n)(iii), a licensee may, upon compliance with
1242 Section 70D-1-6, charge a reasonable cancellation fee for work done originating a mortgage if
1243 the mortgage is not closed.

1244 Section 20. Section **61-2c-302** is amended to read:

1245 **61-2c-302. Record requirements.**

1246 (1) For the time period specified in Subsection (2), a licensee shall make or possess any
1247 record required for that licensee by a rule made by the division.

1248 (2) A licensee shall maintain in its possession a record described in Subsection (1) for
1249 four years from the last to occur of the following:

1250 (a) the final entry on a residential mortgage loan is made by that licensee;

1251 (b) if the residential mortgage loan is serviced by the licensee:

1252 (i) the residential mortgage loan is paid in full; or

1253 (ii) the licensee ceases to service the residential mortgage loan; or

1254 (c) if the residential mortgage loan is not serviced by the licensee, the residential
1255 mortgage loan is closed.

1256 (3) A licensee shall:

1257 (a) make available to the division for inspection and copying during normal business
1258 hours all records required to be maintained under this chapter; and

1259 (b) upon reasonable notice from the division to a licensee, produce all records
1260 described in Subsection (3)(a) that are related to an investigation being conducted by the
1261 division at the division office for inspection and copying by the division.

1262 (4) A ~~[licensed entity]~~ licensee who is an entity shall maintain and produce for
1263 inspection by the division a current list of all individuals whose licenses are affiliated with the
1264 entity.

1265 (5) A licensee who engages in an activity as a loan originator shall maintain and
1266 produce for inspection by the division a report of condition submitted to the nationwide
1267 database as required by 12 U.S.C. Sec. 5104(e) for at least four years from the day on which the

1268 licensee submits the report of condition.

1269 Section 21. Section **61-2c-401** is amended to read:

1270 **61-2c-401. Investigations.**

1271 (1) [The] Subject to Subsection (6), the division may investigate or cause to be
1272 investigated the actions of:

1273 (a) (i) a licensee;

1274 (ii) a person required to be licensed under this chapter; or

1275 (iii) the following with respect to an entity that is a licensee or an entity required to be
1276 licensed under this chapter:

1277 (A) a manager;

1278 (B) a managing partner;

1279 (C) a director;

1280 (D) an executive officer; or

1281 (E) an individual who performs a function similar to an individual listed in this
1282 Subsection (1)(a)(iii);

1283 (b) (i) an applicant for licensure or renewal of licensure under this chapter; or

1284 (ii) the following with respect to an entity that has applied for a license or renewal of
1285 licensure under this chapter:

1286 (A) a manager;

1287 (B) a managing partner;

1288 (C) a director;

1289 (D) an executive officer; or

1290 (E) an individual who performs a function similar to an individual listed in this
1291 Subsection (1)(b)(ii); or

1292 (c) any individual or entity that transacts the business of residential mortgage loans
1293 within this state.

1294 (2) In conducting [~~investigations~~] an investigation, records [~~inspections, and~~]
1295 inspection, or adjudicative [proceedings] proceeding, the division may:

1296 (a) administer an oath or affirmation;

1297 (b) subpoena witnesses;

1298 (c) take evidence;

- 1299 (d) require the production of books, papers, contracts, records, other documents, or
1300 information relevant to an investigation; and
- 1301 (e) serve a subpoena by certified mail.
- 1302 (3) A failure to respond to a request by the division in an investigation authorized
1303 under this chapter is considered as a separate violation of this chapter, including:
- 1304 (a) failing to respond to a subpoena;
- 1305 (b) withholding evidence; or
- 1306 (c) failing to produce documents or records.
- 1307 (4) The division may inspect and copy all records related to the business of residential
1308 mortgage loans by a licensee under this chapter, regardless of whether the records are
1309 maintained at a business location in Utah, in conducting:
- 1310 (a) investigations of complaints; or
- 1311 (b) inspections of the records required to be maintained under:
- 1312 (i) this chapter; or
- 1313 (ii) rules adopted by the division under this chapter.
- 1314 (5) (a) If a licensee maintains the records required by this chapter and the rules adopted
1315 by the division under this chapter outside Utah, the licensee is responsible for all reasonable
1316 costs, including reasonable travel costs, incurred by the division in inspecting those records.
- 1317 (b) Upon receipt of notification from the division that records maintained outside Utah
1318 are to be examined in connection with an investigation or an examination, the licensee shall
1319 deposit with the division a deposit of \$500 to cover the division's expenses in connection with
1320 the examination of the records.
- 1321 (c) If the deposit described in Subsection (5)(b) is insufficient to meet the estimated
1322 costs and expenses of examination of the records, the licensee shall make an additional deposit
1323 to cover the estimated costs and expenses of the division.
- 1324 (d) (i) [~~All deposits~~] A deposit under this Subsection (5) shall be deposited in the
1325 General Fund as a dedicated credit to be used by the division under Subsection (5)(a).
- 1326 (ii) The division, with the concurrence of the executive director, may use the deposit
1327 monies deposited in the General Fund under this Subsection (5)(d) as a dedicated credit for the
1328 records inspection costs under Subsection (5)(a).
- 1329 (iii) A deposit under this Subsection (5) shall be refunded to the licensee to the extent it

1330 is not used, together with an itemized statement from the division of ~~[all]~~ amounts ~~[it has used]~~
1331 the division uses.

1332 (e) ~~[All deposits]~~ A deposit under this Subsection (5) shall be nonlapsing.

1333 ~~[(6)]~~ (f) Failure to deposit with the division a deposit required to cover the costs of
1334 examination of records that are maintained outside Utah shall result in automatic suspension of
1335 a license until the deposit is made.

1336 (6) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, the division may not take an
1337 action authorized under this section against a person exempt under Section 61-2c-105, even if
1338 the action is part of an investigation or inspection of a licensee or person required to be
1339 licensed under this chapter.

1340 Section 22. Section **61-2c-402** is amended to read:

1341 **61-2c-402. Disciplinary action.**

1342 (1) Subject to the requirements of Section 61-2c-402.1, ~~[if an individual or entity]~~ the
1343 commission, with the concurrence of the division, may impose a sanction described in
1344 Subsection (2) against a person if the person:

1345 (a) (i) is a licensee or person required to be licensed under this chapter; and

1346 (ii) violates this chapter[-]; or [an]

1347 (b) (i) is a certified education provider or person required to be certified to provide
1348 prelicensing or continuing education under this chapter; and

1349 (ii) violates this chapter[-;the].

1350 (2) The commission, with the concurrence of the director, may against a person
1351 described in Subsection (1):

1352 ~~[(1)]~~ (a) impose an educational requirement;

1353 ~~[(2)]~~ (b) impose a civil penalty against the individual or entity in an amount not to
1354 exceed the greater of:

1355 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) \$2,500 for each violation; or

1356 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) the amount equal to any gain or economic benefit derived from each violation;

1357 ~~[(3)]~~ (c) deny an application for an original license;

1358 ~~[(4)]~~ (d) do any of the following to a license under this chapter:

1359 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) suspend;

1360 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) revoke;

1361 ~~[(e)]~~ (iii) place on probation;
 1362 ~~[(d)]~~ (iv) deny renewal;
 1363 ~~[(e)]~~ (v) deny reinstatement; ~~[or]~~
 1364 ~~[(f)]~~ (vi) in the case of a denial or revocation of a license, set a waiting period for an
 1365 applicant to apply for a license under this chapter;
 1366 ~~[(5)]~~ (vii) issue a cease and desist order; or
 1367 ~~[(6) do]~~ (viii) impose any combination of ~~[Subsections (1) through (5)]~~ sanctions
 1368 described in this Subsection (2).

1369 Section 23. Section **61-2c-402.1** is amended to read:

1370 **61-2c-402.1. Adjudicative proceedings -- Review.**

1371 (1) (a) Before ~~[the actions]~~ an action described in Section 61-2c-402 may be taken, the
 1372 division shall:

1373 (i) give notice to the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person against whom the action is brought;
 1374 and

1375 (ii) commence an adjudicative proceeding.

1376 (b) If after the adjudicative proceeding is commenced under Subsection (1)(a) the
 1377 presiding officer determines that ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person required to be licensed under
 1378 this chapter has violated this chapter, the division may take an action described in Section
 1379 61-2c-402 by written order.

1380 (2) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, ~~[an~~
 1381 ~~individual or entity]~~ a person against whom action is taken under this section may seek review
 1382 by the executive director of the action.

1383 (3) If ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person prevails in a judicial appeal and the court finds
 1384 that the state action was undertaken without substantial justification, the court may award
 1385 reasonable litigation expenses to that individual or entity as provided under Title 78B, Chapter
 1386 8, Part 5, Small Business Equal Access to Justice Act.

1387 (4) (a) An order issued under this section takes effect 30 days after the service of the
 1388 order unless otherwise provided in the order.

1389 (b) If an appeal of an order issued under this section is taken by ~~[an individual or~~
 1390 ~~entity]~~ a person, the division may stay enforcement of the order in accordance with Section
 1391 63G-4-405.

1392 (5) If ordered by the court of competent jurisdiction, the division shall promptly take an
1393 action described in Section 61-2c-402 against a license granted under this chapter.

1394 Section 24. Section **61-2c-403** is amended to read:

1395 **61-2c-403. Cease and desist orders.**

1396 (1) (a) The director may issue and serve by certified mail, or by personal service, on
1397 ~~[an individual or entity]~~ a person an order to cease and desist from an act if:

1398 (i) the director has reason to believe that the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person has been
1399 engaged, is engaging in, or is about to engage in the act constituting a violation of this chapter;
1400 and

1401 (ii) it appears to the director that it would be in the public interest to stop the act.

1402 (b) Within ten days after service of the order, the party named in the order may request
1403 a hearing to be held in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.

1404 (c) Pending a hearing requested under Subsection (1)(b), a cease and desist order shall
1405 remain in effect.

1406 (2) (a) After the hearing described in Subsection (1), if the director finds that an act of
1407 the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person violates this chapter, the director:

1408 (i) shall issue an order making the cease and desist order permanent; and

1409 (ii) may impose another disciplinary action under Section 61-2c-402.

1410 (b) (i) The director may file suit in the name of the division to enjoin and restrain ~~[an~~
1411 ~~individual or entity]~~ a person on whom an order is served under this section from violating this
1412 chapter if:

1413 (A) (I) the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person does not request a hearing under Subsection
1414 (1); or

1415 (II) a permanent cease and desist order is issued against the ~~[individual or entity]~~
1416 person following a hearing or stipulation; and

1417 (B) (I) the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person fails to cease the act; or

1418 (II) after discontinuing the act, the ~~[individual or entity]~~ person again commences the
1419 act.

1420 (ii) The suit described in Subsection (2)(b)(i) shall be filed in the district court in the
1421 county:

1422 (A) in which the act occurs;

1423 (B) where the individual resides; or

1424 (C) where the individual or entity carries on business.

1425 (3) The cease and desist order issued under this section may not interfere with or
1426 prevent the prosecution of a remedy or action enforcement under this chapter.

1427 (4) An individual who violates a cease and desist order issued under this section is
1428 guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

1429 Section 25. Section **61-2c-405** is amended to read:

1430 **61-2c-405. Penalty for violating this chapter -- Automatic revocation.**

1431 (1) In addition to being subject to a disciplinary action by the commission, a person
1432 who violates this chapter:

1433 (a) is guilty of a class A misdemeanor upon conviction of a first violation of this
1434 chapter; and

1435 (b) is guilty of a third degree felony upon conviction of a second or subsequent
1436 violation of this chapter.

1437 (2) [~~Any~~] A license or [registration] certification issued by the division to [~~any~~] a
1438 person [~~or entity~~] convicted of a violation of Section 76-6-1203 is automatically revoked.

1439 Section 26. Section **61-2c-502** is amended to read:

1440 **61-2c-502. Additional license fee.**

1441 (1) An individual who applies for or renews a license shall pay, in addition to the
1442 application or renewal fee, a reasonable annual fee:

1443 (a) determined by the division with the concurrence of the commission; and

1444 (b) not to exceed \$18.

1445 (2) An entity that applies for or renews an entity license shall pay, in addition to the
1446 application or renewal fee, a reasonable annual fee:

1447 (a) determined by the division with the concurrence of the commission; and

1448 (b) not to exceed \$25.

1449 (3) Notwithstanding Section 13-1-2, the following shall be paid into the Residential
1450 Mortgage Loan Education, Research, and Recovery Fund to be used as provided in this part:

1451 (a) a fee provided in this section;

1452 (b) a fee for certifying:

1453 (i) a [~~mortgage~~] school as a certified education provider;

- 1454 (ii) a [~~mortgage~~] prelicensing or continuing education course; or
1455 (iii) a [~~mortgage~~] prelicensing or continuing education provider as an instructor; and
1456 (c) a civil penalty imposed under this chapter.

1457 (4) If the balance in the Residential Mortgage Loan Education, Research, and Recovery
1458 Fund that is available to satisfy a judgment against a licensee decreases to less than \$100,000,
1459 the division may make an additional assessment to a licensee to maintain the balance available
1460 at \$100,000 to satisfy judgments.

1461 Section 27. Section **61-2c-507** is amended to read:

1462 **61-2c-507. Division subrogated to judgment creditor -- Authority to revoke**
1463 **license.**

1464 (1) If the division pays a judgment creditor from the fund:

1465 (a) the division is subrogated to the rights of the judgment creditor for the amounts
1466 paid out of the fund; and

1467 (b) any amount and interest recovered by the division shall be deposited in the fund.

1468 (2) [~~The~~] (a) Subject to Subsection (2)(b), the license of a licensee for whom payment
1469 from the fund is made under this part is automatically revoked[~~:-~~] as of the earlier of the day on
1470 which:

1471 (i) the division is ordered by a court to pay from the fund; or

1472 (ii) the division pays from the fund.

1473 (b) (i) A person whose license is revoked under Subsection (2)(a) may appeal the
1474 revocation in a hearing conducted by the commission:

1475 (A) after the revocation; and

1476 (B) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.

1477 (ii) The commission may delegate:

1478 (A) to the division or an administrative law judge the authority to conduct a hearing
1479 described in Subsection (2)(b)(i); or

1480 (B) to the division the authority to make a decision on whether relief from a revocation
1481 should be granted.

1482 (3) [~~A~~] Unless the revocation is not upheld after a hearing described in Subsection
1483 (2)(b), a licensee whose license is revoked pursuant to Subsection (2) may not apply for a new
1484 license until the licensee [~~has paid~~] pays into the fund:

- 1485 (a) the amount paid out of the fund on behalf of the licensee; and
- 1486 (b) interest at a rate determined by the division with the concurrence of the
- 1487 commission.

1488 Section 28. Section **61-2c-509** is amended to read:

1489 **61-2c-509. Disciplinary actions.**

1490 (1) This part does not limit the authority of the director or commission to take

1491 disciplinary action against a licensee for a violation of:

- 1492 (a) this chapter; or
- 1493 (b) rules made by the division under this chapter.

1494 (2) The repayment in full of all obligations to the fund by a licensee does not nullify or

1495 modify the effect of a disciplinary proceeding brought under:

- 1496 (a) this chapter; or
- 1497 (b) rules made by the division under this chapter.

1498 Section 29. Section **61-2d-102** is amended to read:

1499 **61-2d-102. Definitions.**

1500 As used in this part:

1501 (1) "Accelerate" means a demand for immediate repayment of the entire balance of a

1502 residential mortgage loan.

1503 (2) "Borrower" means a person that:

- 1504 (a) seeks a high-cost mortgage; or
- 1505 (b) is obligated under a high-cost mortgage.

1506 (3) "High-cost mortgage" means a borrower credit transaction that is secured by the

1507 borrower's principal dwelling, if any of the following apply with respect to such borrower

1508 credit transaction:

1509 (a) the transaction is secured by a first mortgage on the borrower's principal dwelling

1510 and the annual percentage rate on the credit, at the consummation of the transaction, will

1511 exceed by more than eight percentage points the yield on treasury securities having comparable

1512 periods of maturity on the 15th day of the month immediately preceding the month in which

1513 the application for the extension of credit is received by the lender;

1514 (b) the transaction is secured by a junior or subordinate mortgage on the borrower's

1515 principal dwelling and the annual percentage rate on the credit, at the consummation of the

1516 transaction, will exceed ten percentage points the yield on treasury securities having
1517 comparable periods of maturity on the 15th day of the month immediately preceding the month
1518 in which the application for the extension of credit is received by the lender; or

1519 (c) (i) the total points and fees payable at or before the transaction will exceed the
1520 greater of 8% of the total loan amount or \$400;

1521 (ii) (A) the \$400 figure shall be adjusted annually on January 1 to match the adjusted
1522 number adopted by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve in accordance with Section
1523 226.32(a)(1)(ii) of the Code of Federal Regulations~~[-Hf]~~; or

1524 (B) if the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System does not announce an
1525 adjusted figure, the last adjustment of the \$400 figure shall be adjusted annually on January 1
1526 by the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index that was reported on the
1527 preceding June 1; and

1528 (d) the loan is made by or originated through a person or business required to hold a
1529 license as provided in Title 61, Chapter 2c, Utah Residential Mortgage Practices and Licensing
1530 Act.

1531 (4) "Lender" means a person that:

1532 (a) offers a high-cost mortgage; or

1533 (b) extends a high-cost mortgage; and

1534 (c) is required to have a license as provided in Title 61, Chapter 2c, Utah Residential
1535 Mortgage Practices and Licensing Act.

1536 (5) "Prepay" or "prepayment" means to make a payment to a lender that:

1537 (a) is more than the amount of the next scheduled payment due;

1538 (b) pays more than half of the principal balance of the high-cost mortgage; and

1539 (c) is paid more than 24 months before the last scheduled payment according to the
1540 terms of the high-cost mortgage when it is made.

1541 (6) "Residential mortgage transaction" means a transaction in which a mortgage, deed
1542 of trust, purchase money security interest arising under an installment sales contract, or
1543 equivalent consensual security interest is created or retained in the borrower's principal
1544 dwelling to finance the acquisition or initial construction of that dwelling.

1545 (7) "Reverse mortgage transaction" means a nonrecourse borrower credit obligation in
1546 which:

1547 (a) a mortgage, deed of trust, or equivalent consensual security interest securing one or
1548 more advances is created in the borrower's principal dwelling; and

1549 (b) any principal, interest, or shared appreciation or equity is due and payable, other
1550 than in the case of default, only after:

1551 (i) the borrower dies;

1552 (ii) the dwelling is transferred; or

1553 (iii) the borrower ceases to occupy the dwelling as a principal dwelling.

1554 Section 30. Section **63I-2-261** is enacted to read:

1555 **63I-2-261. Repeal dates -- Title 61.**

1556 Section 61-2c-205.1 is repealed July 1, 2012.

1557 Section 31. Section **70D-1-10** is amended to read:

1558 **70D-1-10. Notification of department -- Exemptions.**

1559 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), ~~no~~ a person may not engage in the business
1560 of making mortgage loans ~~[nor may any person]~~ or engage in the business of being a mortgage
1561 loan broker or servicer, without first filing written notification with the department and paying
1562 the fees required by this chapter.

1563 (2) The following persons are exempt from the notification requirements contained in
1564 this chapter and from the annual fee imposed in Subsection 70D-1-12(1):

1565 (a) all persons authorized under Utah law or under federal law to do business as a
1566 depository institution in this state;

1567 (b) all wholly-owned subsidiaries of depository institutions described in Subsection
1568 (2)(a); and

1569 (c) all persons that:

1570 (i) are required to license with the Utah Division of Real Estate pursuant to Title 61,
1571 Chapter 2c, Utah Residential Mortgage Practices and Licensing Act; and

1572 (ii) are not engaged in the business of being a mortgage loan servicer.

1573 Section 32. **Effective date.**

1574 This bill takes effect January 1, 2010, except that Section 62-2c-205.1 takes effect on
1575 July 1, 2009.

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.
