CHAPTER 399

H.B. No. 2001

An Act relating to notice required for changes in the amount of interest paid on certain bank deposits and investment certificates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article 4, Chapter VII, The Texas Banking Code of 1943 (Article 342-704,

Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Art. 4. DEPOSITS--DISCONTINUANCE OR REDUCTION OF INTEREST. Any bank Art. 4. DEPOSITS—DISCONTINUANCE OR REDUCTION OF INTEREST. Any bank heretofore or hereafter contracting to pay interest on any deposit or investment certificate without a definite maturity date may reduce the rate of, or discontinue its liability for, interest by giving notice as provided by Section 2, Article 1, of this chapter for notice of an amendment to a depository contract [posting prior notice thereof for at least thirty (30) days in the lobby of its banking house). This article shall not affect any contractual provision relative to the reduction of the rate of, or the discontinuing of liability for, interest.

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SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a change relating to interest paid by a bank for which notice is first given on or after the effective date of this Act. A change for which notice is first given before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the notice was first given, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 17, 1985, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved: June 10, 1985 Effective: August 26, 1985