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Introduced by M. of A. ABBATE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Banks

AN ACT to amend the banking law, in relation to the definition of bank holding company

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 142-a of the banking law, as amended by chapter 217 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

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follows:

As used in this section, the term "control" means the possession, 4 5 directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a banking institution, whether through 7 the ownership of voting stock of such banking institution, the ownership 8 voting stock of any company which possesses such power or otherwise. Control shall be presumed to exist if any company, directly or indirect-9 ly, owns, controls or holds with the power to vote ten per centum or 10 more of the voting stock of any banking institution or of any company 11 12 which owns, controls or holds with power to vote ten percent or more of voting stock of such banking institution, but no person shall be 13 14 deemed to control a banking institution solely by reason of his being an officer or director of such banking institution or company. As 15 this section, the terms "bank holding company" and "banking institution" 16 17 shall have the meanings as defined in section one hundred forty-one of this article, except that the definition of "bank holding company" is 18 19 modified to change the phrase "a banking institution" wherever it 20 appears therein to "[one] TWO or more banking institutions" definition of "banking institution" is modified to add a national bank-21 ing association, the principal office of which is located in this state. 22 23 S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 105 of the banking law, 24 as amended by chapter 217 of the laws of 2010, is amended to

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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(a) No bank or trust company or officer, director, agent or employee thereof, shall transact any part of its usual business of banking at any place other than its principal office, except that a bank company may open and occupy one or more branch offices at any location in the state, provided: (i) that the requirements of section twenty-nine of this chapter are met and (ii) that, except for the city or village in which its principal office is located, in no event shall a branch be opened and occupied pursuant to this subdivision in a city or village with a population of fifty thousand or less in which is already located the principal office of another bank, trust company or national banking association, other than a bank holding company, if such bank holding company is a banking institution, or a banking subsidiary of a holding company (as such terms "bank holding company", "banking institu-tion" and "banking subsidiary" are defined in section one hundred forty-one of this chapter) except that the definition of "bank holding company" is modified to change the phrase "a banking institution" wher-ever it appears therein to "[one] TWO or more banking institutions" and the definition of "banking institution" is modified to add a national banking association, the principal office of which institution is located in this state, except, in the case of a conversion pursuant to the provisions of this article, branch offices occupied immediately prior thereto or except for the purpose of acquiring by merger, sale or otherwise the business and property of a bank, trust company or national banking association, whether in liquidation or doing business in the usual course.

- S 3. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 2 of section 240 of the banking law, as amended by chapter 217 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (c) Except for the city or village in which its principal office is located, no branch office may be opened and occupied pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subdivision in any city or village with a population of fifty thousand or less and in which is already located the principal office of a bank, trust company or national banking association, other than a bank holding company, if such bank holding company is a banking institution, or a banking subsidiary of a bank holding company, as such terms "bank holding company", "banking institution" and "banking subsidiary" are defined in section one hundred forty-one of this chapter except that the definition of "bank holding company" is modified to change the phrase "a banking institution" wherever it appears therein to "[one] TWO or more banking institutions" and the definition of "banking institution" is modified to add a national banking association, the principal office of which institution is located in this state.
- S 4. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 2 of section 396 of the banking law, as amended by chapter 217 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (b) Except for the city or village in which its principal office is located, no branch office may hereafter be opened and occupied pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subdivision in any city or village with a population of less than thirty thousand and in which is already located the principal office of a bank, trust company or national banking association, other than a bank holding company, if such bank holding company is a banking institution, or a banking subsidiary of a bank holding company, as such terms "bank holding company", "banking institution" and "banking subsidiary" are defined in section one hundred forty-one of this chapter except that the definition of "bank holding company" is modified to change the phrase "a banking institution" wherever it

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appears therein to "[one] TWO or more banking institutions" and the definition of "banking institution" is modified to add a national bank-

- ing association, the principal office of which institution is located in this state.
- S 5. This act shall take effect immediately. 5