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

AN ACT to amend the banking law, in relation to mail-loan checks

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

- Section 1. Subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 9-t of the banking law, as added by chapter 309 of the laws of 2002, are amended and a new subdivision 4 is added to read as follows:
 - 2. Any lending institution which issues mail-loan checks shall:

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- (a) include on the face of each check issued to a non-customer a written statement, in legible type reading "ONE FORM OF VALID PHOTOGRAPHIC ID NEEDED TO CASH OR DEPOSIT"; provided, however, that any entity cashing or accepting a mail-loan check for deposit may require more than one form of identification;
- (b) make no reference on the outside of the envelope containing a mail-loan check that indicates that a check is enclosed within such envelope;
 - (c) provide that all mail-loan checks shall be non-transferable; and
- (d) include THE TRANSACTION FEE AND INTEREST RATE AND an expiration date of not more than six months on the mail-loan check, AS WELL AS ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT MAY REQUIRE.
- 3. NO LENDING INSTITUTION SHALL ISSUE A MAIL-LOAN CHECK, EXCEPT IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST OR APPLICATION THEREFOR.
- 4. FAILURE TO DESTROY OR RETURN A MAIL-LOAN CHECK SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE CHECK.
- 5. Any lending institution which mails a mail-loan check in violation of the provisions of this section shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five hundred dollars for each such violation.
- 24 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after 25 it shall have become a law.

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

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