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## IN ASSEMBLY

March 22, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the banking law, in relation to the regulation of buynow-pay-later lenders

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The banking law is amended by adding a new article 14-B to 2 read as follows:

## <u>ARTICLE XIV-B</u> <u>BUY-NOW-PAY-LATER LENDERS</u>

5 Section 735. Short title	5	Section	735.	Short	title
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6 <u>736. Definitions.</u>

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- 7 <u>737. License.</u>
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   9 <u>application is denied.</u>
- 10 <u>739. License provisions and posting.</u>
- 11740. Application for acquisition of control of buy-now-pay-later12lender by purchase of stock.
  - 741. Ground for revocation or suspension of license; procedure.
- 14 <u>742. Superintendent authorized to examine.</u>
- 15 743. Licensee's books and records; reports.
- 16 <u>744. Acts prohibited.</u>
- 17 <u>745. Limitation on charges on buy-now-pay-later loans.</u>
- 18 746. Consumer protections.
- 19 <u>747. Authority of superintendent.</u>
- 20 <u>748. Penalties.</u>
- 21 **749. Severability.**
- 22 § 735. Short title. This article shall be known and may be cited as 23 the "Buy Now Pay Later act".
- 24 § 736. Definitions. As used in this article, the following terms shall 25 have the following meanings:

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1	1. "Consumer" means an individual who is a resident of the state of
2	New York.
3	2. "Buy-now-pay-later loan" means credit provided to a consumer at the
4	time of purchase in connection with such consumer's particular purchase
5	of goods and/or services, other than a motor vehicle as defined under
6	section one hundred twenty-five of the vehicle and traffic law, provided
7	that the consumer shall not be subject to any interest, penalty,
8	discount, or consideration in connection with such credit provided.
9	3. "Buy-now-pay-later lender" means a person who offers buy-now-pay-
10	later loans in this state. For purposes of the preceding sentence,
11	"offer" means offering to make a buy-now-pay-later loan by extending
12	credit directly to a consumer or operating a platform, software or
13	system with which a consumer interacts and the primary purpose of which
14	is to allow third parties to offer buy-now-pay-later loans, or both. A
15	person who sells goods or services to a consumer and extends credit to
16	such consumer in connection with such consumer's particular purchase of
17	such goods and/or services shall not be considered a buy-now-pay-later
18	lender with respect to such transactions. A person shall not be consid-
19	ered a buy-now-pay-later lender on the basis of isolated, incidental or
20	occasional transactions which otherwise meet the definitions of this
21	section.
22	4. "Exempt organization" means any banking organization or foreign
23	banking corporation licensed by the superintendent or the comptroller of
24	the currency to transact business in this state, national bank, federal
25	savings bank, federal savings and loan association, or federal credit
26	union. Subject to such regulations as may be promulgated by the super-
27	intendent, "exempt organization" may also include any subsidiary of such
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2	such as to command the confidence of the community and to warrant the
3	belief that the business will be conducted honestly, fairly and effi-
4	ciently within the purposes and intent of this article, the superinten- dent shall issue the license. For the purpose of this subdivision, the
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6	applicant shall be deemed to include all the members of the applicant if
7	it is a partnership or unincorporated association or organization, and
8	all the stockholders, officers and directors of the applicant if it is a
9	corporation.
10	2. If the superintendent refuses to issue a license, the superinten-
11	dent shall notify the applicant of the denial and retain the fee paid
12	pursuant to subdivision three of section seven hundred thirty-seven of
13	this article.
14	3. The superintendent may issue regulations setting capital require-
15	ments to ensure the solvency and financial integrity of licensees and
16	their ongoing operations, taking into account the risks, volume of busi-
17	ness, complexity, and other relevant factors regarding such licensees.
18	Further, the superintendent may issue rules and regulations prescribing
19	a methodology to calculate capital requirements with respect to licen-
20	sees or categories thereof.
21	§ 739. License provisions and posting. 1. A license issued under this
22	article shall state the name and address of the licensee, and if the
23	licensee be a co-partnership or association, the names of the members
24	thereof, and if a corporation the date and place of its incorporation.
25	2. Such license shall be kept conspicuously posted on the mobile
26	application, website, or other consumer interface of the licensee, as
27	well as listed in the terms and conditions of any buy-now-pay-later loan
28	offered or entered into by the licensee. The superintendent may provide
29	by regulation an alternative form of notice of licensure.
30	3. A license issued under this article shall not be transferable or
31	assignable.
32	§ 740. Application for acquisition of control of buy-now-pay-later
33 24	lender by purchase of stock. 1. It shall be unlawful except with the prior approval of the superintendent for any action to be taken which
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35 36	results in a change of control of the business of a licensee. Prior to
	any change of control, the person desirous of acquiring control of the
37	business of a licensee shall make written application to the superinten- dent and pay an investigation fee as prescribed pursuant to section
38 39	eighteen-a of this chapter to the superintendent. The application shall
40	contain such information as the superintendent, by regulation, may
40 41	prescribe as necessary or appropriate for the purpose of making the
42	determination required by subdivision two of this section.
42 43	2. The superintendent shall approve or disapprove the proposed change
43 44	of control of a licensee in accordance with the provisions of section
44 45	seven hundred thirty-eight of this article.
45 46	<u>3. For a period of six months from the date of qualification thereof</u>
40 47	and for such additional period of time as the superintendent may
48	prescribe, in writing, the provisions of subdivisions one and two of
40 49	this section shall not apply to a transfer of control by operation of
49 50	law to the legal representative, as hereinafter defined, of one who has
50 51	control of a licensee. Thereafter, such legal representative shall
51 52	comply with the provisions of subdivisions one and two of this section.
5⊿ 53	The provisions of subdivisions one and two of this section shall be
53 54	applicable to an application made under such section by a legal repre-
54 55	sentative.
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1	4. The term "legal representative," for the purposes of this section,
2	shall mean one duly appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction to
3	act as executor, administrator, trustee, committee, conservator or
4	receiver, including one who succeeds a legal representative and one
5	acting in an ancillary capacity thereto in accordance with the
6	provisions of such court appointment.
7	5. As used in this section, the term "control" means the possession,
8	directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of
9	the management and policies of a licensee, whether through the ownership
10	of voting stock of such licensee, the ownership of voting stock of any
11	person which possesses such power or otherwise. Control shall be
12	presumed to exist if any person, directly or indirectly, owns, controls
13	or holds with power to vote ten per centum or more of the voting stock
14	of any licensee or of any person which owns, controls or holds with
15	power to vote ten per centum or more of the voting stock of any licen-
16	see, but no person shall be deemed to control a licensee solely by
17	reason of being an officer or director of such licensee or person. The
18	superintendent may in the superintendent's discretion, upon the applica-
19	tion of a licensee or any person who, directly or indirectly, owns,
20	controls or holds with power to vote or seeks to own, control or hold
21	with power to vote any voting stock of such licensee, determine whether
22	or not the ownership, control or holding of such voting stock consti-
23	tutes or would constitute control of such licensee for purposes of this
24 25	<pre>section. § 741. Ground for revocation or suspension of license; procedure. 1. A</pre>
25 26	license granted pursuant to this section may be revoked or suspended by
20 27	the superintendent upon a finding that:
28	(a) The licensee has violated any applicable law or regulation;
28 29	(b) Any fact or condition exists which, if it had existed at the time
30	of the original application for such license, clearly would have
31	warranted the superintendent's refusal to issue such license; or
32	(c) The licensee has failed to pay any sum of money lawfully demanded
33	by the superintendent or to comply with any demand, ruling or require-
34	ment of the superintendent.
35	2. Any licensee may surrender any license by delivering to the super-
36	intendent written notice that the licensee thereby surrenders such
37	license. Such surrender shall be effective upon its acceptance by the
38	superintendent, and shall not affect such licensee's civil or criminal
39	liability for acts committed prior to such surrender.
40	3. Every license issued hereunder shall remain in force and effect
41	until the same shall have been surrendered, revoked or suspended, in
42	accordance with the provisions of this article, but the superintendent
43	shall have authority to reinstate suspended licenses or to issue a new
44	license to a licensee whose license has been revoked if no fact or
45	condition then exists which clearly would have warranted the superinten-
46	<u>dent's refusal to issue such license.</u>
47	4. Whenever the superintendent shall revoke or suspend a license
48	issued pursuant to this article, the superintendent shall forthwith
49	execute a written order to that effect, which order may be reviewed in
50	the manner provided by article seventy-eight of the civil practice law
51	and rules. Such special proceeding for review as authorized by this
52	section must be commenced within thirty days from the date of such order
53	of suspension or revocation.
54	5. The superintendent may, for good cause, without notice and a hear-
55	ing, suspend any license issued pursuant to this article for a period
56	not exceeding thirty days, pending investigation, "Good cause," as used

in this subdivision, shall exist only when the licensee has engaged in 1 or is likely to engage in a practice prohibited by this article or the 2 3 regulations promulgated thereunder or engages in dishonest or inequita-4 ble practices which may cause substantial harm to the public. 5 § 742. Superintendent authorized to examine. 1. The superintendent 6 shall have the power to make such investigations as the superintendent 7 shall deem necessary to determine whether any buy-now-pay-later lender 8 or any other person has violated any of the provisions of this article 9 or any other applicable law, or whether any licensee has conducted 10 itself in such manner as would justify the revocation of its license, 11 and to the extent necessary therefor, the superintendent may require the 12 attendance of and examine any person under oath, and shall have the power to compel the production of all relevant books, records, accounts, 13 14 and documents. 15 2. The superintendent shall have the power to make such examinations of the books, records, accounts and documents used in the business of 16 17 any licensee as the superintendent shall deem necessary to determine whether any such licensee has violated any of the provisions of this 18 chapter or any other applicable law or to secure information lawfully 19 required by the superintendent. 20 21 <u>§ 743. Licensee's books and records; reports. 1. A buy-now-pay-later</u> 22 lender shall keep and use in its business such books, accounts and records as will enable the superintendent to determine whether such 23 buy-now-pay-later lender is complying with the provisions of this arti-24 25 cle and with the rules and regulations lawfully made by the superintendent hereunder. Every buy-now-pay-later lender shall preserve such 26 27 books, accounts and records for at least six years after making the 28 final entry in respect to any buy-now-pay-later loan recorded therein; 29 provided, however, the preservation of photographic or digital reprod-30 uctions thereof or records in photographic or digital form shall consti-31 tute compliance with this requirement. 32 2. By a date to be set by the superintendent, each licensee shall 33 annually file a report with the superintendent giving such information 34 as the superintendent may require concerning the licensee's business and 35 operations during the preceding calendar year within the state under the 36 authority of this article. Such report shall be subscribed and affirmed 37 as true by the licensee under the penalties of perjury and be in the form prescribed by the superintendent. In addition to such annual 38 39 reports, the superintendent may require of licensees such additional regular or special reports as the superintendent may deem necessary to 40 the proper supervision of licensees under this article. Such additional 41 42 reports shall be in the form prescribed by the superintendent and shall 43 be subscribed and affirmed as true under the penalties of perjury. 44 § 744. Acts prohibited. 1. No buy-now-pay-later lender shall take or 45 cause to be taken any confession of judgment or any power of attorney to 46 confess judgment or to appear for the consumer in a judicial proceeding. 47 2. No buy-now-pay-later lender shall make or cause to be made an 48 advertisement for a buy-now-pay-later loan that is false, misleading, or 49 deceptive. 50 § 745. Limitation on charges on buy-now-pay-later loans. Notwith-51 standing any other provision of law to the contrary, no buy-now-pay-la-52 ter lender shall charge, contract for, or otherwise receive from a consumer any interest, penalty, late fee, discount or other consider-53 ation in connection to a buy-now-pay-later loan, whether directly or 54

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1	§ 746. Consumer protections. 1. Disclosures. A buy-now-pay-later lend-
2	er shall disclose or cause to be disclosed to consumers the terms of
3	buy-now-pay-later loans, including the cost, repayment schedule, and
4	other material conditions, in a clear and conspicuous manner.
5	2. Ability to repay. Subject to regulations to be promulgated by the
б	superintendent, a buy-now-pay-later lender shall, before providing or
7	causing to be provided a buy-now-pay-later loan to a consumer, make, or
8	cause to be made, a reasonable determination that such consumer has the
9	ability to repay the buy-now-pay-later loan.
10	3. Credit reporting prohibition. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall not
11	report any consumer data obtained through a buy-now-pay-later loan to
12	any credit reporting agency.
13	4. Returns, refunds and credits. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall
14	handle or cause to be handled returns of and refunds and credits for
15	goods or services purchased in connection with a buy-now-pay-later loan
16	in a manner that is fair, transparent, and not unduly burdensome to
17	consumers. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall maintain or cause to be
18	maintained policies and procedures regarding such handling of returns,
19	refunds, and credits. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall disclose or cause
20	to be disclosed to consumers in a clear and conspicuous manner the proc-
21	ess by which they can return and obtain refunds or credits for goods or
22	services they have purchased with a buy-now-pay-later loan. Consumer
23	claims for returns, refunds, and credits shall only be fulfilled by the
24	buy-now-pay-later lender upon receipt of the returned good or product
25	subject to the buy-now-pay-later loan from the seller, or the cancella-
26	tion of the service subject to the buy-now-pay-later loan from the sell-
27	er.
28	5. Consumer disputes. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall resolve or
29	cause to be resolved disputes in a manner that is fair and transparent
30	to consumers. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall create or cause to be
31	created a readily available and prominently disclosed method for consum-
32	ers to bring a dispute to the buy-now-pay-later lender. A buy-now-pay-
33	later lender shall maintain policies and procedures for handling consum-
34	er disputes.
35	6. Use of consumer data. A buy-now-pay-later lender shall clearly and
36	conspicuously disclose or cause to be disclosed to a consumer to which
37	it provides a loan how such consumer's data may be used by the buy-now-
38	pay-later lender. The buy-now-pay-later lender shall provide the consum-
39	er the opportunity to provide consent to such collection and use of
40	consumer data, provided that without such consent the buy-now-pay-later
41	lender shall not collect or use such consumer data. The superintendent,
42	in their discretion, may by regulation prohibit certain uses of consumer
43	data if such use poses an undue risk to consumers.
44	7. Unauthorized use. The superintendent may issue rules and regu-
45	lations regarding treatment of unauthorized use, so that consumers are
46	liable for use of buy-now-pay-later loans in their name only under
47	circumstances where such liability would be fair and reasonable.
48	8. Void buy-now-pay-later loans. Any buy-now-pay-later loan made by a
49	person not licensed under this article, other than an exempt organiza-
50	tion, shall be void, and such person shall have no right to collect or
51	receive any principal, interest or charge whatsoever.
52	§ 747. Authority of superintendent. The superintendent is authorized
53	to promulgate such general rules and regulations as may be appropriate,
54	in their sole discretion, to implement the provisions of this article,
55	protect consumers, and ensure the solvency and financial integrity of
56	buy-now-pay-later lenders. The superintendent is further authorized to

make such specific rulings, demands, and findings as may be necessary 1 for the proper conduct of the business authorized and licensed under and 2 3 for the enforcement of this article, in addition hereto and not incon-4 sistent herewith. 5 § 748. Penalties. 1. Any person, including any member, officer, direc-6 tor or employee of a buy-now-pay-later lender, who violates or partic-7 ipates in the violation of section seven hundred thirty-seven of this 8 article, or who knowingly makes any incorrect statement of a material 9 fact in any application, report or statement filed pursuant to this 10 article, or who knowingly omits to state any material fact necessary to 11 give the superintendent any information lawfully required by the super-12 intendent or refuses to permit any lawful investigation or examination, shall be quilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined 13 14 not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned for not more than six 15 months or both, in the discretion of the court. 2. Without limiting any power granted to the superintendent under any 16 17 other provision of this chapter, the superintendent may, in a proceeding after notice and a hearing require a buy-now-pay-later lender, whether 18 or not a licensee, to pay to the people of this state a penalty for any 19 20 violation of this chapter, any regulation promulgated thereunder, any 21 final or temporary order issued pursuant to section thirty-nine of this 22 chapter, any condition imposed in writing by the superintendent in connection with the grant of any application or request, or any written 23 24 agreement entered into with the superintendent, and for knowingly making 25 any incorrect statement of a material fact in any application, report or statement filed pursuant to this article, or knowingly omitting to state 26 27 any material fact necessary to give the superintendent any information 28 lawfully required by the superintendent or refusing to permit any lawful investigation or examination. As to any buy-now-pay-later lender that is 29 30 not a licensee or an exempt organization, the superintendent is authorized to impose a penalty in the same amount authorized in section 31 32 forty-four of this chapter for a violation of this chapter by any person 33 licensed, certified, registered, authorized, chartered, accredited, 34 incorporated or otherwise approved by the superintendent pursuant to 35 this chapter. 36 3. No buy-now-pay-later lender shall make, directly or indirectly, 37 orally or in writing, or by any method, practice or device, a representation that such buy-now-pay-later lender is licensed under the banking 38 law except that a licensee under this chapter may make a representation 39 40 that the licensee is licensed as a buy-now-pay-later lender under this 41 chapter. 42 § 749. Severability. If any provision of this article or the applica-43 tion thereof to any person or circumstances is held to be invalid, such 44 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this article which can be given effect without the invalid provision or 45 46 application, and to this end the provisions of this article are severa-47 ble. § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 36 of the banking law, as amended by 48 49 chapter 146 of the laws of 1961, is amended to read as follows: 1. The superintendent shall have the power to examine every banking 50 51 organization, every bank holding company and any non-banking subsidiary 52 thereof (as such terms "bank holding company" and "non-banking subsidiary" are defined in article three-A of this chapter) and every licensed 53 lender and licensed buy-now-pay-later lender at any time prior to its 54 dissolution whenever in his judgment such examination is necessary or 55 56 advisable.

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1 § 3. Subdivision 10 of section 36 of the banking law, as amended by 2 section 2 of part L of chapter 58 of the laws of 2019, is amended to 3 read as follows:

10. All reports of examinations and investigations, correspondence and 4 5 memoranda concerning or arising out of such examination and investiб gations, including any duly authenticated copy or copies thereof in the 7 possession of any banking organization, bank holding company or any 8 subsidiary thereof (as such terms "bank holding company" and "subsid-9 iary" are defined in article three-A of this chapter), any corporation 10 or any other entity affiliated with a banking organization within the 11 meaning of subdivision six of this section and any non-banking subsid-12 iary of a corporation or any other entity which is an affiliate of a banking organization within the meaning of subdivision six-a of this 13 14 section, foreign banking corporation, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-15 pay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, licensed mortgage banker, 16 registered mortgage broker, licensed mortgage loan originator, licensed 17 sales finance company, registered mortgage loan servicer, licensed student loan servicer, licensed insurance premium finance agency, 18 licensed transmitter of money, licensed budget planner, any other person 19 or entity subject to supervision under this chapter, or the department, 20 21 shall be confidential communications, shall not be subject to subpoena 22 and shall not be made public unless, in the judgment of the superintendent, the ends of justice and the public advantage will be subserved by 23 the publication thereof, in which event the superintendent may publish 24 25 authorize the publication of a copy of any such report or any part or 26 thereof in such manner as may be deemed proper or unless such laws 27 specifically authorize such disclosure. For the purposes of this subdi-28 vision, "reports of examinations and investigations, and any correspond-29 ence and memoranda concerning or arising out of such examinations and 30 investigations", includes any such materials of a bank, insurance or 31 securities regulatory agency or any unit of the federal government or 32 that of this state any other state or that of any foreign government 33 which are considered confidential by such agency or unit and which are 34 the possession of the department or which are otherwise confidential in 35 materials that have been shared by the department with any such agency 36 or unit and are in the possession of such agency or unit. 37

37 § 4. Subdivisions 3 and 5 of section 37 of the banking law, as amended 38 by chapter 360 of the laws of 1984, are amended to read as follows:

39 3. In addition to any reports expressly required by this chapter to be 40 made, the superintendent may require any banking organization, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender, licensed casher of 41 checks, licensed mortgage banker, foreign banking corporation licensed by the 42 43 superintendent to do business in this state, bank holding company and 44 any non-banking subsidiary thereof, corporate affiliate of a corporate 45 banking organization within the meaning of subdivision six of section 46 thirty-six of this article and any non-banking subsidiary of a corpo-47 ration which is an affiliate of a corporate banking organization within 48 the meaning of subdivision six-a of section thirty-six of this article 49 to make special reports to him at such times as he may prescribe.

50 5. The superintendent may extend at his discretion the time within 51 which a banking organization, foreign banking corporation licensed by 52 the superintendent to do business in this state, bank holding company or 53 any non-banking subsidiary thereof, licensed casher of checks, licensed 54 mortgage banker, private banker, <u>licensed buy-now-pay-later lender</u> or 55 licensed lender is required to make and file any report to the super-56 intendent. § 5. Section 39 of the banking law, as amended by section 3 of part L
 2 of chapter 58 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

§ 39. Orders of superintendent. 1. To appear and explain an apparent 3 4 violation. Whenever it shall appear to the superintendent that any bank-5 ing organization, bank holding company, registered mortgage broker, 6 licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servicer, registered 7 mortgage loan servicer, licensed mortgage loan originator, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, 8 9 licensed sales finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agen-10 cy, licensed transmitter of money, licensed budget planner, out-of-state 11 state bank that maintains a branch or branches or representative or 12 other offices in this state, or foreign banking corporation licensed by 13 the superintendent to do business or maintain a representative office in 14 this state has violated any law or regulation, he or she may, in his or 15 her discretion, issue an order describing such apparent violation and requiring such banking organization, bank holding company, registered 16 mortgage broker, licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servi-17 cer, licensed mortgage loan originator, licensed lender, licensed buy-18 now-pay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, licensed sales finance 19 20 company, licensed insurance premium finance agency, licensed transmitter 21 of money, licensed budget planner, out-of-state state bank that main-22 tains a branch or branches or representative or other offices in this state, or foreign banking corporation to appear before him or her, at a 23 time and place fixed in said order, to present an explanation of such 24 25 apparent violation.

26 2. To discontinue unauthorized or unsafe and unsound practices. When-27 ever it shall appear to the superintendent that any banking organiza-28 tion, bank holding company, registered mortgage broker, licensed mort-29 gage banker, licensed student loan servicer, registered mortgage loan 30 servicer, licensed mortgage loan originator, licensed lender, licensed 31 buy-now-pay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, licensed sales 32 finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agency, licensed 33 transmitter of money, licensed budget planner, out-of-state state bank 34 that maintains a branch or branches or representative or other offices 35 this state, or foreign banking corporation licensed by the superin 36 intendent to do business in this state is conducting business in an 37 unauthorized or unsafe and unsound manner, he or she may, in his or her 38 discretion, issue an order directing the discontinuance of such unau-39 thorized or unsafe and unsound practices, and fixing a time and place at 40 which such banking organization, bank holding company, registered mortgage broker, licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servicer, 41 42 registered mortgage loan servicer, licensed mortgage loan originator, 43 licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later licensed, licensed casher of 44 checks, licensed sales finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agency, licensed transmitter of money, licensed budget planner, 45 46 out-of-state state bank that maintains a branch or branches or represen-47 tative or other offices in this state, or foreign banking corporation 48 may voluntarily appear before him or her to present any explanation in defense of the practices directed in said order to be discontinued. 49 3. To make good impairment of capital or to ensure compliance with 50 financial requirements. Whenever it shall appear to the superintendent 51 52 that the capital or capital stock of any banking organization, bank holding company or any subsidiary thereof which is organized, licensed 53 or registered pursuant to this chapter, is impaired, or the financial 54

55 requirements imposed by subdivision one of section two hundred two-b of 56 this chapter or any regulation of the superintendent on any branch or

agency of a foreign banking corporation or the financial requirements 1 imposed by this chapter or any regulation of the superintendent on any 2 3 licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender, registered mortgage 4 broker, licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servicer, 5 licensed casher of checks, licensed sales finance company, licensed 6 insurance premium finance agency, licensed transmitter of money, 7 licensed budget planner or private banker are not satisfied, the super-8 intendent may, in the superintendent's discretion, issue an order 9 directing that such banking organization, bank holding company, branch 10 agency of a foreign banking corporation, registered mortgage broker, or 11 licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servicer, licensed lend-12 er, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, licensed sales finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agen-13 14 cy, licensed transmitter of money, licensed budget planner, or private 15 banker make good such deficiency forthwith or within a time specified in 16 such order.

17 4. To make good encroachments on reserves. Whenever it shall appear to 18 the superintendent that either the total reserves or reserves on hand of any banking organization, branch or agency of a foreign banking corpo-19 20 ration are below the amount required by or pursuant to this chapter or 21 any other applicable provision of law or regulation to be maintained, or 22 that such banking organization, branch or agency of a foreign banking corporation is not keeping its reserves on hand as required by this 23 chapter or any other applicable provision of law or regulation, he or 24 25 she may, in his or her discretion, issue an order directing that such 26 banking organization, branch or agency of a foreign banking corporation 27 make good such reserves forthwith or within a time specified in such 28 order, or that it keep its reserves on hand as required by this chapter. 29 5. To keep books and accounts as prescribed. Whenever it shall appear 30 to the superintendent that any banking organization, bank holding compa-31 registered mortgage broker, licensed mortgage banker, licensed ny, 32 student loan servicer, registered mortgage loan servicer, licensed mort-33 gage loan originator, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later lend-34 er, licensed casher of checks, licensed sales finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agency, licensed transmitter of 35 money, 36 licensed budget planner, agency or branch of a foreign banking corpo-37 ration licensed by the superintendent to do business in this state, does not keep its books and accounts in such manner as to enable him or her 38 39 to readily ascertain its true condition, he or she may, in his or her discretion, issue an order requiring such banking organization, bank 40 holding company, registered mortgage broker, licensed mortgage banker, 41 42 licensed student loan servicer, registered mortgage loan servicer, 43 licensed mortgage loan originator, licensed lender, licensed buy-nowpay-later lender, licensed casher of checks, licensed sales finance 44 company, licensed insurance premium finance agency, licensed transmitter 45 46 money, licensed budget planner, or foreign banking corporation, or of 47 the officers or agents thereof, or any of them, to open and keep such 48 books or accounts as he or she may, in his or her discretion, determine 49 and prescribe for the purpose of keeping accurate and convenient records 50 of its transactions and accounts.

6. As used in this section, "bank holding company" shall have the same
meaning as that term is defined in section one hundred forty-one of this
chapter.

54 § 6. Subdivision 1 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by 55 chapter 65 of the laws of 1948, is amended to read as follows:

1. The name and the location of the principal office of every proposed 1 corporation, private banker, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later 2 **lender** and licensed casher of checks, the organization certificate, 3 4 private banker's certificate or application for license of which has 5 been filed for examination, and the date of such filing. 6 § 7. Subdivision 2 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by 7 chapter 553 of the laws of 1960, is amended to read as follows: 8 2. The name and location of every licensed lender, licensed buy-now-9 pay-later lender and licensed casher of checks, and the name, location, 10 amount of capital stock or permanent capital and amount of surplus of 11 every corporation and private banker and the minimum assets required of 12 every branch of a foreign banking corporation authorized to commence 13 business, and the date of authorization or licensing. 14 8. Subdivision 3 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by § 15 chapter 553 of the laws of 1960, is amended to read as follows: 16 3. The name of every proposed corporation, private banker, branch of a 17 foreign banking corporation, licensed lender, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender and licensed casher of checks to which a certificate of authori-18 19 zation or a license has been refused and the date of notice of refusal. 20 9. Subdivision 4 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by § 21 chapter 60 of the laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows: 22 4. The name and location of every private banker, licensed lender, 23 licensed casher of checks, sales finance company, licensed buy-now-paylater lender and foreign corporation the authorization certificate or 24 25 license of which has been revoked, and the date of such revocation. 26 § 10. Subdivision 5 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by 27 chapter 249 of the laws of 1968, is amended to read as follows: 28 5. The name of every banking organization, licensed lender, licensed 29 casher of checks, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender and foreign corpo-30 ration which has applied for leave to change its place or one of its 31 places of business and the places from and to which the change is 32 proposed to be made; the name of every banking organization which has 33 applied to change the designation of its principal office to a branch 34 office and to change the designation of one of its branch offices to its 35 principal office, and the location of the principal office which is 36 proposed to be redesignated as a branch office and of the branch office 37 which is proposed to be redesignated as the principal office. 38 § 11. Subdivision 6 of section 42 of the banking law, as amended by 39 chapter 249 of the laws of 1968, is amended to read as follows: The name of every banking organization, licensed lender, licensed 40 6. 41 casher of checks, licensed buy-now-pay-later lender and foreign corporation authorized to change its place or one of its places of business 42 43 and the date when and the places from and to which the change is author-44 ized to be made; the name of every banking organization authorized to 45 change the designation of its principal office to a branch office and to 46 change the designation of a branch office to its principal office, the 47 location of the redesignated principal office and of the redesignated 48 branch office, and the date of such change. 49 § 12. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 44 of the banking law, 50 as amended by section 4 of part L of chapter 58 of the laws of 2019, is 51 amended to read as follows: 52 (a) Without limiting any power granted to the superintendent under any 53 other provision of this chapter, the superintendent may, in a proceeding

54 after notice and a hearing, require any safe deposit company, licensed 55 lender, <u>licensed buy-now-pay-later lender</u> licensed casher of checks, 56 licensed sales finance company, licensed insurance premium finance agen1 cy, licensed transmitter of money, licensed mortgage banker, licensed student loan servicer, registered mortgage broker, licensed mortgage 2 loan originator, registered mortgage loan servicer or licensed budget 3 4 planner to pay to the people of this state a penalty for any violation 5 of this chapter, any regulation promulgated thereunder, any final or 6 temporary order issued pursuant to section thirty-nine of this article, 7 any condition imposed in writing by the superintendent in connection with the grant of any application or request, or any written agreement 8 9 entered into with the superintendent.

10 § 13. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a 11 law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of 12 any rule or regulation authorized to be made by the superintendent 13 pursuant to this act is authorized to be made and completed on or before 14 such effective date.