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BANKING AND INSURANCE  
BILL SUMMARY



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All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE BANK HOLDING COMPANY LAW  
278

ND LD 1208

Sponsor: CLARK, N., Dow, Rydell, Bott  
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1208

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1208.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW REGARDING EXPEDITED  
279 CHARTER CONVERSIONS, MERGERS AND CONSOLIDATIONS

PL 1987  
c. 40

Sponsor: CLARK, N., Dillenback, Joseph, Webster, M.  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill gives the Superintendent of Banking the authority to approve an expedited acquisition of a financial institution by another financial institution if the expedited action is necessary for the protection of depositors, shareholders or the public. The Superintendent was given similar emergency powers in 1981 in regard to mergers and consolidations. This bill expands these same emergency powers to acquisitions. The bill also has a provision for judicial review if any person is aggrieved by the order of the Superintendent for an expedited acquisition.

LD AN ACT TO ENABLE THE AVAILABILITY OF CREDIT  
311 THROUGH FINANCE COMPANIES IN THE STATE  
(REPORTED PURSUANT TO A STUDY BY THE BUSINESS  
AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE)

ONTP

Sponsor:  
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: This bill is the result of a study conducted by The Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection and the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Commerce after a similar bill was introduced during the 2nd Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. This bill represents a significant change from current law. The bill allows the consumer and lender to established whatever maturity date they want on loans with interest over 18%, but requires the rate to drop to 8% if the loan remains unpaid 6 months after maturity. A refinancing undertaken to circumvent the 8% reduction is not allowed. The Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection is allowed to suspend a license of a lender for a maximum of 60 days under this bill.