

HR 974

Small Business Interest Checking Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

Introduced: Mar 13, 2001

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 4, 2001
Financial Services Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 21, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 524	Identical bill	Mar 13, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Small Business Interest Checking Act of 2001- Amends the Federal Reserve Act, the Home Owners' Loan Act, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to repeal the proscription against payment of interest on demand deposits.

Authorizes depository institutions prohibited by State law from offering demand deposits to offer all owners of a interest- or dividend-paying deposit or account to make withdrawals by negotiable or transferable instruments for the purpose of making payments to third parties.

Amends Federal banking law governing interaccount transfers to provide that a depository institution may permit owners of certain interest- or dividend-paying accounts to make up to 24 transfers monthly for any purpose to their other accounts in the same institution.

Amends the Federal Reserve Act to authorize a Federal reserve bank to pay interest at least quarterly (at a rate not to exceed the general level of short term interest rates) to a depository institution on any balance it maintains at the reserve bank.

Repeals a specified restriction in order to authorize pass-through reserves for member banks (as well as non-member banks).

Instructs the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to obtain annually a prescribed survey of designated retail bank fees and services (including electronic and credit card fees), and report the results annually to Congress.

Reformulates the mandatory depository institution reserve ratio to: (1) one that is not greater than three percent, and may be zero, (currently, a flat ratio of three percent) for transaction accounts of \$25 million or less; and (2) reduce from eight percent to zero the minimum ratio for transaction accounts exceeding \$25 million. (Thus authorizes zero reserve requirements for such accounts.)

Requires the Federal Reserve banks to transfer certain surplus funds for deposit into the general fund of the Treasury equal to the estimated net cost of making the quarterly payments of interest mandated by this Act for FY 2002 through 2006.

Prohibits such banks from replenishing surplus funds by the amount of any such transfers during that time period.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 4, 2001:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
- **Apr 3, 2001:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Financial Services. H. Rept. 107-38.
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- **Apr 3, 2001:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 27.
- **Apr 3, 2001:** Mr. Oxley moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 3, 2001:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1374-1379)
- **Apr 3, 2001:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 974.
- **Apr 3, 2001:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1374-1375)
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- **Apr 3, 2001:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 3, 2001:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 28, 2001:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 28, 2001:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 21, 2001:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 21, 2001:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee.
- **Mar 20, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit.
- **Mar 13, 2001:** Introduced in House
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