

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §46a-3-104

## **§46A-3-104. Finance charge for loans other than loans made pursuant to revolving loan accounts; finance charge on assigned contracts; exceptions.**

(1) With respect to a consumer loan, other than a consumer loan made pursuant to a revolving loan account: (a) A bank, as defined in section two, article one, chapter thirty-one-a of this code, may contract for and receive a loan finance charge not exceeding the charge or interest permitted by the provisions of section thirty, article four, chapter thirty-one-a or by the provisions of section five, five-a or five-b, article six, chapter forty-seven of this code, or that allowed under section two, article seven, chapter thirty-one-c of this code; (b) a regulated consumer lender may contract for and receive a loan finance charge not exceeding the aggregate of the interest and charges permitted by section one hundred seven, article four, chapter forty-six-a of this code or by the provisions of section five, five-a or five-b, article six, chapter forty-seven of this code; (c) a credit union, as defined in section one, article one, chapter thirty-one-c of this code, may contract for and receive a loan finance charge not exceeding the charge or interest permitted by the provisions of section two, article seven, chapter thirty-one-c of this code, or by the provisions of section five, article six, chapter forty-seven of this code; and (d) any other lender may contract for and receive a loan finance charge not exceeding the charge or interest permitted by the provisions of section five, five-a or five-b, article six, chapter forty-seven of this code.

(2) This section does not limit or restrict the manner of calculating the loan finance charge, whether by way of add-on, discount or otherwise, so long as the rate of loan finance charge does not exceed that permitted by this section.

(3) If the loan is precomputed:

(a) The loan finance charge may be calculated on the assumption that all scheduled payments will be made when due; and

(b) The effect of prepayment, refinancing or consolidation is governed by the provisions on rebate upon prepayment, refinancing or consolidation contained in section one hundred eleven of this article.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the lender may contract for and receive a minimum loan finance charge of not more than \$5 when the amount loaned does not exceed \$75, or \$75.50 when the amount loaned exceeds \$75.

(5) An assignee of a consumer credit sale contract may collect, receive or enforce the sales finance charge provided in said contract, and any such charge so collected, received or enforced by an assignee shall not be deemed usurious or in violation of this chapter or any other provision of this code if such sales finance charge does not exceed the limits permitted to be charged by a seller under the provisions of this chapter.

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (5) of this section, a resident lender who is the assignee of a consumer credit sales contract from a credit grantor in another state, and said contract was executed in such other state to finance a retail purchase made by the consumer when the consumer was in that other state, may collect, receive or enforce the sales finance charge and other charges including late fees provided in said contract under the laws of the state where executed. Such charge shall not be deemed to be usurious or in violation of the provisions of this chapter or any other provisions of this code.