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AN ACT to amend and reenact §46A-4-111 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to refinancing or consolidation of certain loans or consumer credit sales by regulated consumer lenders; requiring disclosure of a higher annual percentage rate in any refinancing or consolidation of a nonrevolving consumerloan or consumer credit sale; and requiring a documentation of a reasonable, net tangible benefit to the borrower of any refinancing or consolidation of a nonrevolving consumer loan or consumer credit sale secured by residential real estate.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §46A-4-111 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4. REGULATED CONSUMER LENDERS.

§46A-4-111. Disclosure of higher annual percentage rate upon refinancing of a loan not secured by real estate at higher rate; requiring documentation of a

reasonable net tangible benefit to the borrower of any refinancing of a real estate secured loan.

1 (1) Any nonrevolving consumer loan or consumer credit 2 sale that is not secured by residential real estate that is 3 refinanced or consolidated with a new loan under this 4 article after September 1, 2009, at a higher annual per-5 centage rate than the consumer loan or consumer credit 6 sale being refinanced must provide the consumer the 7 following disclosures:

8 "If you do agree to refinance or consolidate your existing
9 obligation, you will be paying an annual percentage rate
10 of _____% on the existing balance of \$_____, instead of the
11 annual percentage rate of _____% which you are now
12 paying.

13 I acknowledge receipt of this information ______14 (initials of borrower)."

Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the receipt of goods or services by the borrower at the time the consolidated loan agreement is made, nor shall this subsection prohibit or pertain to any loan where the refinancing or consolidation results in the consumer paying the same or a lower annual percentage rate.

(2) No nonrevolving consumer loan or consumer credit
sale that is secured by residential real estate may be
refinanced or consolidated with a new loan secured by
residential real estate and made under this article unless
the new loan has a reasonable, tangible net benefit to the
borrower considering all of the circumstances, including
the terms of both the new and the refinanced loans, the
cost of the new loan and the borrower's circumstances.
The reasonable, tangible net benefit shall be documented
in writing on a form prescribed by the commissioner and
maintained in the loan file.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing hill is correctly enrolled.

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