

Amendment to HB 520

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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3 1 Nondepository Mortgage Bankers, Brokers, and Servicers; Escrow Accounts. Amend RSA 397-
4 A:9, IV to read as follows:

5 IV. Persons subject to this chapter that require or accept moneys for deposit in escrow
6 accounts maintained for the payment of taxes or insurance premiums related to loans on single
7 family homes secured by real estate mortgages on property located in New Hampshire shall ~~[credit~~
8 ~~each such escrow account with interest on all existing and future escrow accounts at a rate set for a~~
9 ~~6-month period by the commissioner on February 1 and August 1 of each year which shall be one~~
10 ~~percent below the mean interest rate paid by New Hampshire chartered depository banks on regular~~
11 ~~savings accounts. The commissioner shall post the rate on the department's website]~~ **pay interest**
12 **on the moneys so held in such accounts. During the six-month period beginning on April 1**
13 **of each year, such interest shall be paid at a rate of not less than the National Deposit Rate**
14 **for Savings Accounts as published in the month of January of the same year by the Federal**
15 **Deposit Insurance Corporation. During the six-month period beginning on October 1 of**
16 **each year, such interest shall be paid at a rate of not less than the National Deposit Rate**
17 **for Savings Accounts as published in the month of July of the same year by the Federal**
18 **Deposit Insurance Corporation.**

19 2 Loans and Investments. Amend RSA 383-B:3-303, (a)(7)(E) to read as follows:

20 (E) Any depository bank which requires or accepts moneys for deposit in escrow
21 accounts maintained for the payment of taxes or insurance premiums related to loans on property
22 secured by real estate mortgages shall ~~[credit each escrow account with interest at a rate no lower~~
23 ~~than the highest target federal funds interest rate in the range set by the Federal Open Market~~
24 ~~Committee, minus one percent]~~ **pay interest in the moneys so held in such accounts. During**
25 **the six-month period beginning on April 1 of each year, such interest shall be paid at a rate**
26 **of not less than the National Deposit Rate for Savings Accounts as published in the month**
27 **of January of the same year by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. During the six-**
28 **month period beginning on October 1 of each year, such interest shall be paid at a rate of**
29 **not less than the National Deposit Rate for Savings Accounts as published in the month of**
30 **July of the same year by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.**

31 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.