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An Act

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To amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to improve the procedures for treating unclaimed insured deposits, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO TREATMENT OF UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS AT INSURED BANKS AND SAVINGS ASSOCIA-TIONS.

Subsection (e) of section 12 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1822(e)) is amended to read as follows:

"(e) DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS.—

"(1) NOTICES.-

"(A) FIRST NOTICE.—Within 30 days after the initiation of the payment of insured deposits under section 11(f), the Corporation shall provide written notice to all insured depositors that they must claim their deposit from the Corporation, or if the deposit has been transferred to another institution, from the transferee institution.

"(B) SECOND NOTICE.—A second notice containing this information shall be mailed by the Corporation to all insured depositors who have not responded to the first notice, 15 months after the Corporation initiates such pay-

ment of insured depositors.

"(C) ADDRESS.—The notices shall be mailed to the last known address of the depositor appearing on the records

of the insured depository institution in default.

"(2) TRANSFER TO APPROPRIATE STATE.—If an insured depositor fails to make a claim for his, her, or its insured or transferred deposit within 18 months after the Corporation initiates the payment of insured deposits under section 11(f)-

"(A) any transferee institution shall refund the deposit to the Corporation, and all rights of the depositor against the transferee institution shall be barred; and

"(B) with the exception of United States deposits, the Corporation shall deliver the deposit to the custody of the appropriate State as unclaimed property, unless the appropriate State declines to accept custody. Upon delivery to the appropriate State, all rights of the depositor against the Corporation with respect to the deposit shall be barred and the Corporation shall be deemed to have made payment to the depositor for purposes of section 11(g)(1).

"(3) REFUSAL OF APPROPRIATE STATE TO ACCEPT CUSTODY.— If the appropriate State declines to accept custody of the deposit tendered pursuant to paragraph (2)(B), the deposit shall not be delivered to any State, and the insured depositor shall claim the deposit from the Corporation before the receivership is terminated, or all rights of the depositor with respect to

such deposit shall be barred.

"(4) TREATMENT OF UNITED STATES DEPOSITS.—If the deposit is a United States deposit it shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the general fund of the Treasury. Upon delivery to the Secretary of the Treasury, all rights of the depositor against the Corporation with respect to the deposit shall be barred and the Corporation shall be deemed to have made payment to the depositor for purposes of section 11(g)(1).

"(5) REVERSION.—If a depositor does not claim the deposit delivered to the custody of the appropriate State pursuant to paragraph (2)(B) within 10 years of the date of delivery, the deposit shall be immediately refunded to the Corporation and become its property. All rights of the depositor against the appropriate State with respect to such deposit shall be

barred as of the date of the refund to the Corporation.

"(6) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection—
"(A) the term 'transferee institution' means the insured depository institution in which the Corporation has made available a transferred deposit pursuant to section 11(f)(1);

"(B) the term 'appropriate State' means the State to which notice was mailed under paragraph (1)(C), except that if the notice was not mailed to an address that is within a State it shall mean the State in which the deposi-

tory institution in default has its main office; and

"(C) the term 'United States deposit' means an insured or transferred deposit for which the deposit records of the depository institution in default disclose that title to the deposit is held by the United States, any department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government, or any officer or employee thereof in such person's official capacity.".

SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by section 1 of this Act shall only apply with respect to institutions for which the Corporation has initiated the payment of insured deposits under section 11(f) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act after the date

of enactment of this Act.

(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR RECEIVERSHIPS IN PROGRESS.—Section 12(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of this Act shall apply with respect to insured deposits in depository institutions for which the Corporation was first appointed receiver during the period between January 1, 1989 and the date of enactment of this Act, except that such section 12(e) shall not bar any claim made against the Corporation by an insured depositor for an insured or transferred deposit, so long as such claim is made prior to the termination of the receivership.

(c) INFORMATION TO STATES.—Within 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall provide, at the request of and for the sole use of any State, the name and last known address of any insured depositor (as shown on the records of the institution in default) eligible to make a claim against the

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Corporation solely due to the operation of subsection (b) of this

section.

(d) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the term "Corporation" means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Resolution Trust Corporation, or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, as appropriate.

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