AN ACT relating to and regulating mutual savings banks, amending certain acts and repealing certain acts relating thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That section 17 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, pages 565 to 566, as amended by section 5 of chapter 184 of the Laws of 1927, pages 228-229 (section 3346 of Remington's Compiled Statutes, 1927 Supplement), be amended to read as follows:

Section 17. When the aggregate amount of deposits and dividends to the credit of any depositor, including in such aggregate all deposits and dividends credited to the depositor as trustee or beneficiary of any voluntary and revocable trust and all deposits and dividends credited to the depositor and another, or others, in either joint or several form, is seven thousand five hundred dollars ($7500.00) or more, such aggregate shall not be increased by the receipt from the depositor of any further deposit but may be increased by the crediting of dividends. Additional accounts may, however, be maintained in the name of a parent as trustee for a dependent or minor child, or in the name of a child as trustee for a dependent parent, but not more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) shall be deposited to any such additional account during any six months period; and additional accounts may be maintained by a person, society, or corporation as administrator, executor, guardian, or trustee under a will, if the deposits therein are directed to be made by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Every such bank may further limit the aggregate amount which an individual or any corporation or
society may have to his or its credit to such sum as such bank may deem expedient to receive; and may in its discretion refuse to receive a deposit, or may at any time return all or any part of any deposits or require the withdrawal of any dividend.

SEC. 2. That section 19 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, pages 567 to 568, (section 3348 of Remington’s Compiled Statutes, 1922) be amended to read as follows:

Section 19. (1) When any deposit shall be made by or in the name of any minor, the same shall be held for the exclusive right and benefit of such minor, and free from the control or lien of all other persons, except creditors, and shall be paid, together with dividends thereon, to the person in whose name the deposit shall have been made, and his receipt or acquittance shall be a valid discharge.

(2) When any deposit shall be made by any person in trust for another, and no other or further notice of the existence and terms of a legal and valid trust shall have been given in writing to such savings bank, in the event of the death of the trustee, the deposit or any part thereof, together with the dividends thereon, may be paid to the person for whom the deposit was made.

(3) After any deposit shall be made by any person in the names of such depositor and another person and in form to be paid to either or the survivor of them, such deposit and any additions thereto made by either of such persons after the making thereof, shall become the property of such persons as joint tenants, and the same, together with all dividends thereon, shall be held for the exclusive use of such persons and may be paid to either during the lifetime of both or to the survivor after the death of one of them, and such payment and the receipt or acquittance of the one to whom such payment is made shall be a valid and sufficient
release and discharge to such savings bank for all payments made on account of such deposit prior to the receipt by such savings bank of notice in writing not to pay such deposit in accordance with the terms thereof. The making of the deposit in such form shall, in the absence of fraud or undue influence, be conclusive evidence, in any action or proceeding to which either such savings bank or the surviving depositor is a party, of the intention of both depositors to vest title to such deposit and the additions thereto in such survivor.

Sec. 3. That section 24 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, pages 571 to 572, as amended by section 6 of chapter 184 of the Laws of 1927, pages 229-230, (section 3353 of Remington's Compiled Statutes, 1927 Supplement) be amended to read as follows:

Section 24. If at the close of any dividend period the guaranty fund of any savings bank be less than ten per centum of the amount due to depositors, there shall be deducted from its net earnings and credited to its guaranty fund not less than five per centum of its net earnings for such period, or so much of its net earnings as will not compel it to reduce its dividends to depositors below the rate of three and one-half per centum per annum. The amount of net earnings remaining after such deduction for the guaranty fund and its undivided profits shall be available for the declaration of dividends for such period. While the trustees of such savings bank are paying its expenses or any portion thereof the amounts to be credited to its guaranty fund shall be computed at the same percentage upon the total dividends credited to its depositors instead of upon its net earnings. If the guaranty fund accumulated from earnings shall equal or exceed ten per centum of the amount due to depositors, the minimum dividend shall be four per centum if the net earnings for such period are sufficient therefor.
Sec. 4. That section 26 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, page 574, (section 3355 of Remington’s Compiled Statutes, 1922) is hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. That section 27 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, page 574, (section 3356 of Remington’s Compiled Statutes, 1922) be amended to read as follows:

Section 27. No savings bank shall put forth any sign or notice or publish or circulate any advertisement or advertising literature upon which or in which it shall be stated that such savings bank has a surplus or guaranty fund other than as determined in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 6. That section 39 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, pages 580 to 582, (section 3368 of Remington’s Compiled Statutes, 1922) is hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. That section 42 of chapter 175 of the Laws of 1915, page 583, and section 4 of chapter 200 of the Laws of 1919, page 702, (section 3371 of Remington’s Compiled Statutes, 1922) are hereby repealed.

Passed the House March 7, 1929.
Passed the Senate March 6, 1929.
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