

may consider the creation of regional service centers to accommodate such loan concentrations.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.22, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1643; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, §407(e), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1000.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 413 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987, referred to in text, is section 413 of Pub. L. 100-233, which is set out as a note under section 2121 of this title.

##### AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-399 substituted “consolidated bank” for “United Bank for Cooperatives or the National Bank for Cooperatives” and “establishment of the bank under section 413 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987” for “merger”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-399 effective as if enacted immediately after enactment of Pub. L. 100-233, which was approved Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 100-399, set out as a note under section 2002 of this title.

#### § 2144. Consolidation of functions

Subject to section 2143 of this title, to the greatest extent practicable, the functions of the consolidated bank shall be consolidated in the central office of the bank.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.23, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1644.)

#### § 2145. Exchange of ownership interests

On the establishment of the consolidated bank, ownership interests of the stockholders and subscribers to the guaranty funds of the constituent district banks for cooperatives (including stock, participation certificates, and allocated equities) shall be exchanged for like ownership interests in the consolidated bank on a book value basis.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.24, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1644.)

#### § 2146. Capitalization

In accordance with section 2154a of this title, each consolidated bank shall provide, through bylaws and subject to Farm Credit Administration regulations, for the capitalization of the bank and the manner in which bank stock shall be issued, held, transferred, and retired and bank earnings distributed.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.25, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1644; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, §407(f), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1000.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-399 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The board of

directors of the consolidated bank shall provide for the capitalization of such bank in accordance with the provisions of section 2154a of this title.”

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

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#### § 2147. Patronage pools

Under such terms and conditions as may be determined by its board of directors, the consolidated bank may—

(1) for a period of at least 3 years following January 6, 1988, establish separate patronage pools consisting of loans to eligible borrowers located in each constituent farm credit district (as such district existed on January 6, 1988); and

(2) allocate revenues, expenses, and net savings among such pools on an equitable basis.

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.26, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1644.)

#### § 2148. Transactions to accomplish merger

The receipt of assets or assumption of liabilities by the consolidated bank, the exchange of stock, equities, or other ownership interests, and any other transaction carried out in accomplishing the merger of the banks for cooperatives shall not be treated as a taxable event under the laws of the United States or of any State or political subdivision thereof. The preceding sentence shall also apply to the receipt of assets and liabilities by a cooperative to the extent that the net amount of the distribution is immediately reinvested in stock of a consolidated bank (and in such case the basis of such stock shall be appropriately reduced by the amount of gain not recognized by reason of this sentence).

(Pub. L. 92-181, title III, §3.27, as added Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, §415(2), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1644; amended Pub. L. 100-399, title IV, §407(g), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1001.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-399 substituted “cooperative” for “taxable institution”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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#### § 2149. Lending limits

The Farm Credit Administration may not establish lending limits for the consolidated bank with respect to any loans or borrowers that are more restrictive than the combined lending limits that were previously established by the Farm Credit Administration for the constituent banks