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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Financial Institutions - Certificates of Deposit - Claims for Payment**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a certain limitations period on actions to enforce an  
4 obligation of a depository institution to pay certain certificates of deposit;  
5 altering the limitations period on actions to enforce an obligation of a depository  
6 institution to pay negotiable certificates of deposit; defining certain terms;  
7 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to periods of  
8 limitations on actions to enforce an obligation to pay a certificate of deposit.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article - Commercial Law  
11 Section 3-118(e)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

14 BY adding to  
15 Article - Financial Institutions  
16 Section 1-210  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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**Article - Commercial Law**

2 3-118.

3 (e) [An] SUBJECT TO § 1-210 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARTICLE, AN  
4 action to enforce the obligation of a party to a certificate of deposit to pay the  
5 instrument must be commenced within 6 years after demand for payment is made to  
6 the maker, but if the instrument states a due date and the maker is not required to  
7 pay before that date, the 6-year period begins when a demand for payment is in effect  
8 and the due date has passed.

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**Article - Financial Institutions**

10 1-210.

11 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
12 INDICATED.

13 (2) "ACCOUNT AGREEMENT" MEANS ONE OR MORE WRITTEN  
14 INSTRUMENTS THAT ESTABLISH WHEN A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT IS PAYABLE.

15 (3) "CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT" MEANS A DEPOSIT OR SHARE ACCOUNT  
16 AT A DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION THAT:

17 (I) IS PAYABLE BY THE DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION AT THE  
18 EXPIRATION OF A SPECIFIED TIME; AND

19 (II) MAY BE TRANSFERABLE OR NONTRANSFERABLE, NEGOTIABLE  
20 OR NONNEGOTIABLE, AND RENEWABLE OR NONRENEWABLE.

21 (4) "DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION" MEANS A STATE-CHARTERED OR  
22 FEDERALLY CHARTERED FINANCIAL INSTITUTION LOCATED IN THE STATE THAT IS  
23 AUTHORIZED TO MAINTAIN CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

24 (5) "MATURITY DATE" MEANS THE TIME SPECIFIED IN AN ACCOUNT  
25 AGREEMENT WHEN A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT IS FIRST PAYABLE, WITHOUT  
26 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ANY AGREEMENT REGARDING RENEWALS.

27 (B) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, AN ACTION TO ENFORCE  
28 THE OBLIGATION OF A DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION TO PAY ALL OR PART OF THE  
29 BALANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT MUST BE COMMENCED BY THE EARLIER  
30 OF:

31 (1) THE TIME THAT AN ACTION TO ENFORCE AN OBLIGATION UNDER §  
32 3-118(E) OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE MUST BE COMMENCED, IF THE  
33 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT IS SUBJECT TO THAT SECTION; OR

34 (2) 6 YEARS AFTER THE LATER OF:

35 (I) THE MATURITY DATE OF THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT;

1                   (II)     THE DUE DATE OF THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT INDICATED  
2 IN THE DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION'S LAST WRITTEN NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF THE  
3 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT, IF ANY;

4                   (III)    THE DATE OF THE LAST WRITTEN COMMUNICATION FROM THE  
5 DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION RECOGNIZING THE DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION'S  
6 OBLIGATION TO PAY THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT; OR

7                   (IV)    THE LAST DAY OF THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH A PERSON  
8 IDENTIFIED IN THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT LAST REPORTED INTEREST INCOME  
9 EARNED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ON A FEDERAL OR STATE INCOME TAX  
10 RETURN.

11       (C)     NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, AN ACTION TO  
12 ENFORCE THE OBLIGATION OF A DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION TO PAY ALL OR PART OF  
13 THE BALANCE OF AN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT IN  
14 EXISTENCE ON JUNE 1, 2006, MUST BE COMMENCED BY THE LATER OF:

15               (1)     6 YEARS AFTER THE LATER OF THE EVENTS DESCRIBED IN  
16 SUBSECTION (B)(2)(I) THROUGH (IV) OF THIS SECTION; OR

17               (2)     1 YEAR AFTER JUNE 1, 2006.

18     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all  
19 certificates of deposit subject to this Act that are in existence on or after June 1, 2006.

20     SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 June 1, 2006.