

## Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

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## FDIC Issues Final Rule on Reciprocal Deposits and Seeks Comments on Brokered <u>Deposits and Interest Rate Restrictions</u>

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) took two actions related to brokered deposits. The FDIC adopted a final rule related to the treatment of reciprocal deposits, and it also issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) related to brokered deposits and the interest rate restrictions.

The final rule implements Section 202 of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act to exempt certain reciprocal deposits from being considered as brokered deposits for certain insured institutions. The final rule also makes conforming amendments to the FDIC's regulations governing deposit insurance assessments.

Under the reciprocal deposit exception addressed in the final rule, well-capitalized and well-rated institutions are not required to treat reciprocal deposits as brokered deposits up to the lesser of 20 percent of their total liabilities or \$5 billion. Institutions that are not both well capitalized and well rated may also exclude reciprocal deposits from their brokered deposits under certain circumstances.

The final rule will take effect 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

The FDIC, through the ANPR, is also seeking comments on all aspects of the brokered deposit and interest rate regulations. The ANPR is part of the FDIC's effort to comprehensively review its regulations and policies.

Since the requirements for brokered deposits were put in place, the financial services industry has seen significant changes in technology, business models, and products. In addition, changes to the economic environment have raised a number of issues relating to the interest rate restrictions. The FDIC will carefully consider comments received in response to this ANPR in determining what actions may be warranted. Comments on the ANPR will be accepted for 90 days from the date of publication in the *Federal Register*.

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## Attachments:

<u>Final Rule Regarding Reciprocal Deposits</u>
ANPR on Brokered Deposits and Interest Rate Restrictions



Congress created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1933 to restore public confidence in the nation's banking system. The FDIC insures deposits at the nation's banks and savings associations, 5,479 as of September 30, 2018. It promotes the safety and soundness of these institutions by identifying, monitoring and addressing risks to which they are exposed. The FDIC receives no federal tax dollars—insured financial institutions fund its operations.

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