GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1991

SENATE BILL 709

Short Title: Interest on Escrow Accounts.

Sponsors: Senators Pollard; Ballance, Blackmon, Bryan, Cochrane, Hunt, Martin of Guilford, Parnell, Plexico, and Smith.

Referred to: Banks and Thrift Institutions.

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2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT FUNDS HELD FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES, 3 INSURANCE, OR OTHER COSTS INCIDENT TO A FIRST MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST ON RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY MUST BE PLACED 4 IN INTEREST-BEARING ACCOUNTS. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 6 Section 1. Article 5 of Chapter 45 of the General Statutes is amended by 7 8 adding a new section to read: 9 "§ 45-45.2. Interest-bearing escrow accounts. All funds collected by a bank, savings and loan association, credit union, or other 10 lender doing business in this State for the payment of taxes, insurance, or other costs 11 incident to a first mortgage or first deed of trust on residential real property shall be 12 placed in an interest-bearing trust or escrow account, and any excess over the amount 13 14 required to be deposited shall, at regular intervals, be returned to the owner of the funds or applied to the outstanding principal on the underlying loan, at the option of the 15 owner." 16 17 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective January 1, 1992, and applies to funds 18 collected on or after that date.

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