

**§ 2296. Increase not authorized in amounts of obligations issued, sold, or guaranteed by Federal agencies**

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as authorizing an increase in the amounts of obligations issued, sold, or guaranteed by any Federal agency which issues, sells, or guarantees obligations purchased by the Bank.

(Pub. L. 93-224, § 18, Dec. 29, 1973, 87 Stat. 942.)

**CHAPTER 25—NATIONAL COMMISSION ON ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS**

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**§ 2401. Establishment of Commission**

There is established the National Commission on Electronic Fund Transfers (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") which shall be an independent instrumentality of the United States.

(Pub. L. 93-495, title II, § 201, Oct. 28, 1974, 88 Stat. 1508.)

**§ 2402. Membership of Commission**

**(a) Composition**

The Commission shall be composed of twenty-six members as follows:

- (1) the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or his delegate;
- (2) the Attorney General or his delegate;
- (3) the Comptroller of the Currency or his delegate;
- (4) the Chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or his delegate;
- (5) the Administrator of the National Credit Union Administration or his delegate;
- (6) the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or his delegate;
- (7) the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission or his delegate;
- (8) the Postmaster General or his delegate;
- (9) the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate;
- (10) the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission or his delegate;
- (11) two individuals, appointed by the President, one of whom is an official of a State agency which regulates banking, or similar financial institutions, and one of whom is an official of a State agency which regulates thrift or similar financial institutions;
- (12) seven individuals, appointed by the President, who are officers or employees of, or who otherwise represent banking, thrift, or other business entities, including one rep-

resentative each of commercial banks, mutual savings banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, retailers, nonbanking institutions offering credit card services, and organizations providing interchange services for credit cards issued by banks;

(13) five individuals, appointed by the President, from private life who are not affiliated with, do not represent and have no substantial interest in any banking, thrift, or other financial institution, including but not limited to credit unions, retailers, and insurance companies;

(14) the Comptroller General of the United States or his delegate; and

(15) the Director of the Office of Technology Assessment.

**(b) Designation of Chairperson**

The Chairperson shall be designated by the President at the time of his appointment from among the members of the Commission and such selection shall be by and with the advice and consent of the Senate unless the appointee holds an office to which he was appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

**(c) Vacancies**

A vacancy in the Commission shall be filled in the manner in which the original appointment was made.

(Pub. L. 93-495, title II, § 202, Oct. 28, 1974, 88 Stat. 1508.)

**TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS**

Functions vested in Administrator of National Credit Union Administration transferred and vested in National Credit Union Administration Board pursuant to section 1752a of this title.

Federal Home Loan Bank Board abolished and functions transferred, see sections 401 to 406 of Pub. L. 101-73, set out as a note under section 1437 of this title.

**§ 2403. Functions of Commission**

**(a) Study, investigation, and recommendations; considerations**

The Commission shall conduct a thorough study and investigation and recommend appropriate administrative action and legislation necessary in connection with the possible development of public or private electronic fund transfer systems, taking into account, among other things—

- (1) the need to preserve competition among the financial institutions and other business enterprises using such a system;
- (2) the need to promote competition among financial institutions and to assure Government regulation and involvement or participation in a system competitive with the private sector be kept to a minimum;
- (3) the need to prevent unfair or discriminatory practices by any financial institution or business enterprise using or desiring to use such a system;
- (4) the need to afford maximum user and consumer convenience;
- (5) the need to afford maximum user and consumer rights to privacy and confidentiality;
- (6) the impact of such a system on economic and monetary policy;