- "(c) FCA ACTION.—The Farm Credit Administration shall take any action necessary—
- ``(1) to amend the charters of the association and the district bank; and
- $\lq\lq(2)$ to incorporate the petitioning association into the adjoining district if the reassignment is approved by—
 - "(A) a majority of the stockholders of the association voting, in person or by proxy, at a duly authorized stockholders' meeting held for such purpose;
 - "(B) the board of directors of the adjoining district bank;
 - "(C) the Farm Credit System Assistance Board; and
 - "(D) the Farm Credit Administration Board."

§ 2072. Board of directors

Each production credit association shall elect from the voting members of such association, a board of directors of such number, for such terms, with such qualifications, and in such manner as may be required by the bylaws of the association, except that at least one member shall be elected by the other directors, which member shall not be a director, officer, employee, stockholder, or agent of a System institution.

(Pub. L. 92–181, title II, §2.1, as added Pub. L. 100–233, title IV, §401, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1630; amended Pub. L. 100–399, title IV, §401(n), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 997; Pub. L. 102–237, title V, §502(c), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1868.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2072, Pub. L. 92–181, title II, §2.1, Dec. 10, 1971, 85 Stat. 591; Pub. L. 96–592, title II, §201, Dec. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 3439; Pub. L. 99–205, title II, §205(e)(1), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1704; Pub. L. 100–233, title VII, §705(c), title VIII, §802(i), 805(d), Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1707, 1711, 1715; Pub. L. 100–399, title VI, §604, title IX, §901(b), Aug. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 1006, 1007, related to corporate existence and general corporate powers, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 100–233, §401.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102–237 substituted "stockholder, or agent" for "or stockholder".

1988—Pub. L. 100–399 struck out the comma after "except that".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100–399 effective immediately after amendment made by section 401 of Pub. L. 100–233, which was effective 6 months after Jan. 6, 1988, see section 1001(b) of Pub. L. 100–399, set out as a note under section 2002 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 100-233, title IV, § 401, Jan. 6, 1988, 101 Stat. 1622, provided in part that this section is effective 6 months after Jan. 6, 1988.

§ 2073. General corporate powers

Each production credit association shall be a body corporate and, subject to supervision by the Farm Credit Bank for the district and regulation by the Farm Credit Administration, shall have the power to—

- (1) have succession until terminated in accordance with this chapter or any other Act of Congress;
 - (2) adopt and use a corporate seal;

- (3) make contracts:
- (4) sue and be sued:
- (5) acquire, hold, dispose, and otherwise exercise all of the usual incidents of ownership of real and personal property necessary or convenient to the business of the association;
- (6) operate under the direction of the board of directors of the association in accordance with the provisions of this chapter;
 - (7) subscribe to stock of the bank:
- (8) purchase stock of the bank held by other production credit associations and stock of other production credit associations:
- (9) contribute to the capital of the bank or other production credit associations;
- (10) invest funds of the association as may be approved by the Farm Credit Bank under regulations of the Farm Credit Administration and deposit the current funds and securities of such with the Farm Credit Bank, a member bank of the Federal Reserve System, or any bank insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and may pay fees therefor and receive interest thereon as may be agreed;
- (11) buy and sell obligations of or insured by the United States or of any agency thereof or of any banks of the Farm Credit System and buy from and sell to such banks, interests in loans and in other financial assistance extended and nonvoting stock, as may be authorized by the Farm Credit Bank in accordance with regulations of the Farm Credit Administration;
- (12) borrow money from the Farm Credit Bank, and with the approval of such bank, borrow from and issue notes or other obligations to any commercial bank or other financial institution;
- (13) make and participate in loans, accept advance payments, and provide services and other assistance as authorized in this part and charge fees therefor, and when authorized by the bank participate with one or more other Farm Credit System institutions in loans made under this subchapter or other subchapters of this chapter on the basis prescribed in section 2206 of this title;
- (14) endorse and become liable on loans discounted or pledged to the Farm Credit Bank;
- (15) as may be authorized by the Farm Credit Bank in accordance with regulations of the Farm Credit Administration, agree with other Farm Credit System institutions to share loan or other losses, whether to protect against capital impairment or for any other purpose;
- (16) prescribe, by its board of directors, its bylaws that shall be consistent with law, and that shall provide for—
 - (A) the classes of its stock and the manner in which such stock shall be issued, transferred, and retired; and
 - (B) the manner in which it is to-
 - (i) select officers and employees;
 - (ii) acquire, hold, and transfer property;
 - (iii) conduct general business; and
 - (iv) exercise and enjoy the privileges granted to it by law;
- (17) provide by its board of directors for a manager or other chief executive officer, and provide for such other officers or employees as may be necessary, including joint employees