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CHAPTER 39.

AN ACT to create 220.285 of the statutes, relating to the reproduction in miniature of bank records, the destruction of the original records and the use of such miniatures in evidence.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

220.285 of the statutes is created to read:

220.285 REPRODUCTION AND DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS; EVIDENCE.

(1) Any state bank, mutual savings bank or trust company bank may cause any or all records kept by such bank to be recorded, copied or reproduced by any photostatic, photographic or miniature photographic process which correctly, accurately and permanently copies, reproduces or forms a medium for copying or reproducing the original record on a film or other durable material, and such bank may thereafter dispose of the original record after first obtaining the written consent of the commissioner of banks. This section, excepting that part of it which requires written consent of the commissioner of banks, is applicable to national banking associations insofar as it does not contravene federal law.

(2) Any photographic, photostatic or miniature photographic copy or reproduction or copy reproduced from a film record made from a bank record shall be deemed to be an original record for all purposes and shall be treated as an original record in all courts or administrative agencies for the purpose of its admissibility in evidence. A facsimile, exemplification or certified copy of any such photographic copy or reproduction or copy reproduced from a film record shall, for all purposes, be deemed a facsimile, exemplification or certified copy of the original record.

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