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AN ACT *to amend* 221.0901 (3) (a) 1. and 221.0901 (8) (a) and (b) of the statutes; relating to: the acquisition of in-state banks and in-state bank holding companies.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

SECTION 1. 221.0901 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:
221.0901 (3) (a) 1. Merge or consolidate with an in–state bank holding company
or in–state bank.
SECTION 2. 221.0901 (8) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:
221.0901 (8) (a) Except as provided in pars. (b) and (c), the division may not
approve an application by an out–of–state bank holding company under sub. (3) (a).
other than an application by an in–state bank holding company or in–state bank.

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unless the in-state bank to be acquired, or all in-state bank subsidiaries of the
 in-state bank holding company to be acquired, have as of the proposed date of
 acquisition been in existence and in continuous operation for at least 5 years.

4 (b) The Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the division may 5 approve an application <u>under sub. (3) (a)</u> for an acquisition of an in-state bank 6 holding company that owns one or more in-state banks that have been in existence 7 for less than 5 years, if the out-of-state bank holding company applicant divests 8 itself of those in-state banks within 2 years after the date of acquisition of the 9 in-state bank holding company by the out-of-state bank holding company 10 applicant. This paragraph does not apply if the applicant is an in-state bank holding 11 company or in-state bank.

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