

**499.69 Foreign and domestic mergers or consolidations.**

One or more foreign cooperative associations and one or more domestic cooperative associations may be merged or consolidated in the following manner, if such merger or consolidation is permitted by the laws of the state under which each foreign cooperative association is organized:

1. Each domestic cooperative association shall comply with the provisions of this division with respect to the merger or consolidation of domestic cooperative associations, and each foreign cooperative association shall comply with the applicable provisions of the laws of the state under which it is organized.

2. If the surviving or new association is to be governed by the laws of any state other than this state, it shall comply with the provisions of the laws of this state with respect to the qualifications of foreign cooperative associations if it is to transact business in this state, and in every case it shall file with the secretary of state of this state:

a. An agreement that it may be served with process in this state in any proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of any domestic cooperative association which is a party to the merger or consolidation, and in any proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of a dissenting shareholder of any such domestic cooperative association, against the surviving or new association.

b. An irrevocable appointment of the secretary of state of this state as its agent to accept service of process in any proceeding.

c. An agreement that it will promptly pay to the dissenting shareholders of any domestic cooperative association the amount to which they are entitled under the provisions of this division with respect to the rights of dissenters.

The effect of such merger or consolidation shall be the same as the effect of the merger or consolidation of domestic cooperative associations, if the surviving or new association is to be governed by the laws of this state. If the surviving or new association is to be governed by the laws of any other state, the effect of merger or consolidation shall be the same as in the case of the merger or consolidation of domestic cooperative associations, except as the laws of the other state otherwise provide.

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