

**499.33 Use of revolving fund.**

1. The directors may use a revolving fund to pay the obligations or add to the capital of the association or retire its preferred stock. In that event the deferred patronage dividends credited to members constitute a charge on the revolving fund, on future additions to the revolving fund, and on the corporate assets, subordinate to existing or future creditors and preferred stockholders. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, deferred patronage dividends for any year have priority over those for subsequent years.

2. *a.* Prior to other payments of deferred patronage dividends or redemption of preferred stock held by members, the directors of a cooperative association, other than a cooperative association which is a public utility as defined in section 476.1, shall pay local deferred patronage dividends and redeem local deferred patronage preferred stock of deceased natural persons who were members, and may pay deferred patronage dividends or may redeem preferred stock of deceased natural persons who were members or of members who become ineligible, without reference to the order of priority.

*b.* The directors of a cooperative association which is a public utility as defined in section 476.1 may pay deferred patronage dividends and redeem preferred stock of deceased natural persons who were members, and may pay all other deferred patronage dividends or redeem preferred stock of members without reference to priority.

3. Payment of deferred patronage dividends or the redemption of preferred stock shall be carried out to the extent and in the manner specified in the bylaws of the association.

[C35, §8512-g33; C39, §8512.33; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §499.33]  
86 Acts, ch 1196, §4; 95 Acts, ch 106, §2