

**524.1805 Restrictions on acquisitions and mergers.**

1. An out-of-state bank or out-of-state bank holding company shall not directly or indirectly acquire control of, or directly or indirectly acquire all or substantially all of the assets of, a bank located in this state unless the bank has been in continuous existence and operation for at least five years.

2. For purposes of [subsection 1](#), a bank that has been chartered solely for the purpose of, and does not open for business prior to, acquiring control of, or acquiring all or substantially all of the assets of, a bank located in this state is deemed to have been in existence for the same period of time as the bank to be acquired.

3. For purposes of [subsection 1](#), the period of existence and operation of a bank is deemed to be continuous, notwithstanding any of the following:

- a. Any direct or indirect change in the name, ownership, or control of the bank.
- b. Any rechartering or merger of the bank.

4. For purposes of [subsection 1](#), a bank that has been chartered solely for the purpose of, and does not open for business prior to, acquiring control of, or acquiring all or substantially all of the assets of, one or more branches owned and operated on January 1, 1997, by a savings association, as defined in 12 U.S.C. §1813, which association is an affiliate of the bank, is deemed to have been in continuous existence and operation as a bank for the combined periods of continuous existence and operation of the bank and the savings association from which the branch or branches were acquired.

5. For purposes of [subsection 1](#), a bank that resulted from the conversion of a federal savings association, as defined in 12 U.S.C. §1813, is deemed to have been in continuous existence and operation as a bank for the combined periods of continuous existence and operation of the bank and the association from which it was converted.

6. An out-of-state bank or out-of-state bank holding company that is organized under laws other than those of this state is subject to and shall comply with the provisions of [chapter 490, subchapter XV](#), relating to foreign corporations, and shall immediately provide the superintendent of banking with a copy of each filing submitted to the secretary of state under [chapter 490, subchapter XV](#).

[C73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §524.1805]

[96 Acts, ch 1056, §19; 97 Acts, ch 50, §2; 2007 Acts, ch 88, §17; 2012 Acts, ch 1017, §120; 2016 Acts, ch 1011, §103; 2019 Acts, ch 24, §104](#)

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