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                                   AN ACT
  1 5 PROVIDING FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, INCLUDING
        LINKED INVESTMENT LOAN PROGRAMS, AND PROVIDING AN
         EFFECTIVE DATE.
  1 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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         Section 1. Section 12.32, Code 1999, is amended by adding
  1 12 the following new subsection:
  1 13 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. "Qualified linked investment" means a
  1 14 linked investment in which a certificate of deposit is placed
  1 15 by the treasurer of state with an eligible lending institution
  1 16 under the traditional livestock producers linked investment
  1 17 program established under section 12.43A.
       Sec. 2. Section 12.34, Code 1999, is amended to read as
  1 18
 1 19 follows:
  1 20 12.34 LINKED INVESTMENTS LIMITATIONS RULES
  1 21 MATURITY AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATES.
  1 22 1. The treasurer of state may invest up to the lesser of
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 -sixty-eight
- one hundred eight million dollars or ten percent
  1 24 of the balance of the state pooled money fund in certificates
  1 25 of deposit in eligible lending institutions
 <del>pursuant to</del>
<u>as</u>
  1 26 provided in this division. The moneys invested pursuant to
  1 27 this section shall be used as follows:
         a. The treasurer of state may invest up to sixty-eight
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  1 29 million dollars to support programs provided in this division
  1 30 other than the traditional livestock producers linked
  1 31 investment loan program as provided in section 12.43A and the
  1 32 value-added agricultural linked investment loan program as
  1 33 provided in section 12.43B.
         b. The treasurer of state shall invest the remaining
  1 35 <u>amount as follows:</u>
         (1) At least twenty million dollars shall be invested in
    2 order to support the traditional livestock producers linked
    3 <u>investment loan program as provided in section 12.43A.</u>
         (2) At least twenty million dollars shall be invested in
  2 5 order to support the value-added agricultural linked
  2 6 investment loan program as provided in section 12.43B.
          2. <u>a.</u> The treasurer <u>of state</u> shall adopt rules pursuant
  2 8 to chapter 17A to administer this division.
       b. The treasurer of state in cooperation with the board of
  2 10 directors of the agricultural development authority as
  2 11 established in section 175.3 shall adopt rules for the
  2 12 administration of the traditional livestock producers linked
  2 13 investment loan program as provided in section 12.43A. The
  2 14 treasurer of state in cooperation with the agricultural
  2 15 products advisory council established in section 15.203 shall
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2 16 adopt rules for the administration of the value-added
  2 17 agricultural linked investment loan program as provided in
  2 18 <u>section 15.204.</u>
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         3.
 Certificates
- A certificate of deposit, which is placed
  2 20 by the treasurer of state with an eligible lending institution
  2 21 on or after July 1, 1996,
 pursuant to this division
- may be
  2 22 renewed at the option of the treasurer. The following shall
  2 23 apply to the certificate of deposit:
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- For a linked investment other than a qualified
  2 25 <u>linked investment, the</u> initial certificate of deposit for a
  2 26 given borrower shall have a maturity of one year.
-and
The
  2 27 certificate of deposit may be renewed
 for eight additional
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 one-year periods
- on an annual basis for a total term not to
  2 29 exceed five years.
  2 30 b. For a qualified linked investment, the initial
  2 31 certificate of deposit for a given borrower shall have a
  2 32 maturity of one year. The certificate of deposit may be
  2 33 renewed on an annual basis for a total term not to exceed
  2 34 three years.
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         Sec. 3. Section 12.41, Code 1999, is amended by adding the
    1 following new subsection:
         NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. The gross income earned by the
    3 borrower's business of producing, processing, or marketing
    4 horticultural or nontraditional crops is not more than three
  3 5 hundred thousand dollars for the borrower's last tax year.
         Sec. 4. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 12.43A TRADITIONAL LIVESTOCK
  3 7 PRODUCER'S LINKED INVESTMENT LOAN PROGRAM.
  3 8 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise
 3 9 requires:
  3 10 a. "Farm operation" means the same as defined in section
  3 11 352.2.
  3 12 b. "Livestock" means cattle or swine.
         c. "Livestock operation" means an animal feeding operation
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  3 14 as defined in section 455B.161 in which livestock is provided
  3 15 care and feeding, or any other area which is used for raising
  3 16 crops or other vegetation and upon which livestock is fed or
  3 17 allowed to graze.
         d. "Traditional livestock producer" means a person who is
  3 19 the owner and operator of livestock subject to care and
  3 20 feeding at a livestock operation in which the person holds a
  3 21 legal interest. The person may own the livestock or own the
  3 22 livestock jointly with another person. As the owner operator,
  3 23 the person must make daily management decisions and perform
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3 24 physical work which significantly contributes to the care and

3 27 section 12.34 to implement a traditional livestock producers 3 28 linked investment loan program. The purpose of the program is

3 29 to increase the availability of lower cost loans to

2. The treasurer of state shall adopt rules as provided in

3 25 feeding of the livestock.

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3 30 traditional livestock producers.

4 32 LINKED INVESTMENT LOAN PROGRAM.

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- 3 31 3. In order to qualify for a loan in accordance with an 3 32 investment agreement under this division, all of the following 3 33 requirements must be satisfied:
- a. In order to be an eligible borrower, all of the 3 35 following must apply:
 - (1) The borrower must be a traditional livestock producer.
- (2) The borrower must be a resident of this state who is 3 at least eighteen years of age.
 - (3) The borrower must not be any of the following:
- (a) A party to a pending legal or administrative action, 6 including a contested case proceeding under chapter 17A, 7 relating to an alleged violation involving an animal feeding 4 8 operation as regulated by the department of natural resources, 4 9 regardless of whether the pending action is brought by the 4 10 department or the attorney general.
- (b) Classified as a habitual violator for a violation of 4 12 state law involving an animal feeding operation as regulated 4 13 by the department of natural resources.
 - b. The livestock operation must be located in this state.
- 4 15 c. The gross income earned by the borrower's farm 4 16 operation must be more than fifty thousand dollars but not 4 17 more than three hundred thousand dollars for the borrower's 4 18 last tax year.
- d. At least fifty percent of the gross income earned by 4 20 the borrower's farm operation during the last tax year must 4 21 derive from livestock owned and sold by the borrower.
- 4. An investment agreement shall not be for a loan of more 4 23 than one hundred thousand dollars.
- 5. A borrower is not eligible to receive a loan as part of 4 25 a linked investment loan package under this program, if the 4 26 borrower has received three loans pursuant to a linked 4 27 investment loan package under this program approved by the 4 28 treasurer of state within the last ten years. For purposes of 4 29 this subsection, a loan provided as part of a renewed 4 30 certificate of deposit shall be deemed to be a new loan. 4 31 Sec. 5. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 12.43B VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURAL
- 1. The treasurer of state shall establish and administer, 4 34 and adopt rules as necessary to establish and administer, a 4 35 value-added agricultural linked investment loan program. The 1 purpose of the program is to provide capital in the form of 2 low-interest loans in order to do any of the following:
- a. Stimulate existing businesses or encourage the 5 4 establishment of new businesses that add value through the 5 5 processing of agricultural commodities.
 - b. Encourage the production of agricultural commodities, 7 if a shortage in production exists.
- 2. A borrower shall be eligible to participate in the 5 9 value-added agricultural linked investment loan program, to $5\ 10$ the extent that the borrower meets eligibility requirements 5 11 established by the treasurer of state as provided in section 5 12 12.34.
- 3. A borrower shall not receive a loan of more than two 5 14 hundred fifty thousand dollars under this program.
- Sec. 6. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 15.204 VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURAL 5 16 LINKED INVESTMENT LOAN PROGRAM.

The agricultural products advisory council established in 5 18 section 15.203, in cooperation with the department of economic 5 19 development and the department of agriculture and land 5 20 stewardship, shall recommend to the treasurer of state 5 21 eligibility requirements for borrowers to participate in the 5 22 value-added agricultural linked investment loan program 5 23 established in section 12.43B. The treasurer of state shall 5 24 establish the eligibility requirements by rule adopted

5 25 pursuant to section 12.34.

Sec. 7. CURRENT INVESTMENT AGREEMENTS. The treasurer of

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5 27 state shall not renew a certificate of deposit in an eligible
5 28 lending institution, if the total term for the certificate of
5 29 deposit exceeds the requirements of section 12.34, subsection
5 30 3, as amended by this Act. However, nothing in this Act shall
5 31 affect the terms or conditions of an investment agreement
5 32 executed by the treasurer of state with an eligible lending
5 33 institution that is in effect on the effective date of this
5 34 Act.
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       Sec. 8. AGENCY REVIEW OF LINKED INVESTMENT FOR TOMORROW
  1 ACT PROGRAMS.
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      1. The department of economic development and the
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  3 department of agriculture and land stewardship shall include a
  4 review of the linked investments for tomorrow Act.
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       a. The department of economic development shall conduct a
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6 6 review of the rural small business transfer linked investment
  7 loan program as provided in section 12.40, the focused small
6 8 business linked investments program as provided in section
6 9 12.43, and the value-added agricultural linked investment loan
6 10 program as provided in section 12.43B.
       b. The department of agriculture and land stewardship
6 12 shall conduct a review of the horticultural and nontraditional
6 13 crops linked investment loan program as provided in section
6 14 12.41, and the traditional livestock producers linked
6 15 investment loan program as provided in section 12.43A.
        2. In conducting the reviews, each department shall
6 17 investigate the economic conditions that could justify the
6 18 program under review and the need for the continuation or
6 19 modification of the program. The departments shall jointly
6 20 review the allocation of moneys to the programs.
        3. The departments shall submit a combined report to the
6 22 department of management which shall forward the report to the
6 23 treasurer of state and to the general assembly on or before
6 24 February 1, 2000. The report shall include findings and any
6 25 recommendations. The report shall include a recommendation
6 26 regarding the allocation of moneys to the programs.
        Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
6 28 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
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