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Sponsor(s): Senators Keiser, Winsley and Doumit

Brief Description: Regulating mortgage lending practices.

SB 5671 - DIGEST

Finds that abusive mortgage lending has become an increasing problem in this state, exacerbating the loss of equity in homes and causing the number of foreclosures to increase in recent years.

Declares that, while the marketplace appears to operate effectively for conventional mortgages, too many homeowners find themselves victims of overreaching lenders who provide loans with unnecessarily high costs and terms that are unnecessary to secure repayment of the loan.

Finds that as competition and self-regulation have not eliminated the abusive terms from home-secured loans, the consumer protection provisions of this act are necessary to encourage lending at reasonable rates with reasonable terms.