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Banks Look to Senate for Tax Reform

pected to begin contacting the Senate for changes in the Housepassed tax reform package between now and early September, but both the recommendations they will make and the prospective success they will have are uncertain now.

As expected, the House overwhelmingly voted approval of a tax reform package that would raise substantially the effective tax rate of commercial banks, savings and loan associations and mutual savings banks. The final vote was 394 to 30 to pass without amendment the package recommended by the House Ways and Means Committee.

Even before the measure was passed, many major lobbying groups seeking to soften various tax reform provisions approved by the committee had shifted their efforts to the Senate, where the Senate Finance Committee is expected to launch hearings on the House-passed bill (H.R. 13270) soon after Congress returns from three-week recess in early September.

Financial institution lobbies, of course, are expected to seek amendments in the Senate that would soften the impact of the House-passed bill.

The House-passed bill would

Financial institutions are ex- change the bad debt reserve authority of financial institutions to the extent that the effective commercial bank would rise from 23% to 36%, the effective S&L tax rate would rise from 17% to 30% and the effective savings bank tax rate would rise from 4% to 27%.



The Ways and Means Committee estimated that these changes would represent an increase in revenue to the Treasury of \$250 million a year from commercial banks. The estimated extra revenue from S&L's and savings under the changes is \$10 million in 1970, \$75 million in 1974 and \$160 million in 1979.

repealing authority for commercial (Continued on Page 4)

banks to set aside up to 2.4% of outstanding loans and forbidding them to build up bad debt reserves above their actual loss experience. Commercial banks in business more than 10 years would allowed bad debt reserve deductions on a six-year moving average of actual loss experience. They would not be required to reduce their reserves in excess of actual loss experience, but could not make new additions until reserves fell below actual losses.

The House-passed bill also contains provisions besides the revised bad debt reserve authority that affect financial institutions.

The non-parallel treatment of long-term capital gains and capital losses on bonds for commercial banks and other institutions would be removed. The effect would be to require institutions to treat gains on bonds as ordinary income and treat losses on bonds as ordinary losses.

In addition, a Federal subsidy system under which state and local governments would be encouraged to issue taxable rather than tax-exempt bonds to raise funds would be instituted.

This provision - a highly controversial one - would not prohibit state and local governments from This would be accomplished issuing tax-exempt securities. It under the House-passed bill by would merely provide an alterna-

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IOWA NEWS

Workshop sessions will be a special feature of the 15th Annual Iowa Conference on Installment Lending again this year, September 3-4 at Hotel Savery in Des Moines, according to Lewis Job, IBA installment loan chairman, and vice president, Iowa State Savings Bank, Knoxville.



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Key speakers will include Keith executive vice president, LaSalle National Bank, Chicago; Lorne Worthington, commissioner of Iowa insurance, and Matt J. Kaufman,

director of marketing, Boating Industry Association, Chicago.

A condensed version of the program

Wednesday - September 3

A.M.

8:45 Registration-2nd floor-Hotel Savery. 9:45 Call to order-

> IBA Chairman Lewis Job. Word of Welcome -IBA President James W. Lipton, Jr.

10:00 Current Developments in Truth-in-Lending -Wendell Gibson, IBA Counsel.

10:20 Panel discussion on Truth-in-Lending.

11:30 Recess for lunch.

P.M.

12:15 Lunch.

2:30 Workshops called to order. Topics will be -

"Marketing Installment Loans"

"Trends in Consumer Buying and Financing'

"Credit Cards and the Iowa Bank"

"General Banking Discussion"



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4:30 Recess.

5:30 Social Hour.

6:30 Banquet.

Speaker - James R. Craig, General Manager, Better Business Bureau, Springfield, Mo.

Thursday - September 4

A.M.

8:30 Registration opens.

9:30 Conference called to order.

9:40 Word of Welcome -

J. C. Blackford, IBA Vice President.

9:50 "Control of Credit Insurance" -Lorne Worthington, Commissioner of Insurance for Iowa.

10:30 Coffee Break.

10:50 "Expanding Pleasure Boat Market Offers Financing Opportunities in Iowa'' - Matt J. Kaufman, Director of Marketing and Public Relations, Boating Industry Assn., Chicago.

11:20 Collin W. Fritz, Superintendent of Banking, State of Iowa.

11:45 Adjournment.

GRUNDY CENTER: The Farmers Savings Bank here has announced plans to construct new banking facilities in the downtown area. The bank, being planned by Kirk Gross Company, Waterloo, will include a parking lot and drive-in and walk-up facilities. Construction is scheduled to begin next spring.

MONTICELLO: Harry W. Stuhler, 90, chairman of the board of the Monticello State Bank, died recently at the John McDonald Hospital here.

NEWTON: Two new employees have joined the staff of the Jasper County Savings Bank. Patrick T. Ross has assumed the duties of assistant to the officers in the installment loan department, and Robert R. Sudbrook will serve as assistant to the officers in the commercial loan department Mr. Ross has been employed most recently as assistant cashier for the South Ottumwa Savings Bank, Ottumwa. Mr. Sudbrook is a native of Baltimore, Md., and prior to his service in the Air Force was employed by a Baltimore gas and electric firm.

OELWEIN: Harry Pinch has been



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named president of the First National Bank here. Mr. Pinch has been vice president and cashier of the Golden State Bank, Golden, Colo.

ROCK RAPIDS: The Lyon County State Bank recently opened for business in its new building at the corner of Marshall Street and South Second Avenue. An open house was held August 16.

WEST BRANCH: The First State Bank has changed its name to the West Branch State Bank.

NEBRASKA NEWS

HYANNIS: Robert Knepper has been named cashier of the Bank of Hyannis. He was formerly assistant cashier at the Bank of Valentine.

MINNESOTA NEWS

BRAINERD: Ray Kirkhorn, president of the Citizens State Bank of Brainerd, has announced the election of Harold Sweeney to the post of assistant vice president and Matt Linzback to the position of assistant cashier. Mr. Sweeney is manager of the installment loan department, and Mr. Linzback is his assistant. Both men have been employed by the bank for the HURON: South Dakota Bankers Aspast year.

COTTAGE GROVE: Donald Nordlie, vice president and cashier of the First National Bank of New Prague, has joined Mid-America Bancorporation and will be employed as managing officer of the Park Grove National Bank, which is scheduled to open here on about November 1. Until that time, he will be involved in planning for the new bank.

GRANITE FALLS: Richard Deason has been named executive vice president and secretary of the board of directors at the Granite Falls Bank. He has been with the bank since 1965 and has been serving as vice president since 1968. Fred Hodgdon, formerly executive vice president, has resigned, but will continue as a director at the bank.



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ST. PAUL: The FDIC has approved the application of the Phalen Park State Bank of St. Paul to change the location of its main office from 1119 Barclay Street to the intersection of Maryland and Prosperity Avenues here.

ST. PAUL: David Bosselmann and E. Thomas Brennan have been elected assistant trust officers at the First Trust Company of St. Paul.

SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS

sociation has announced dates and

been named managing officer of the meeting places for the following con-

September 9-Trust Conference, Kings Crowley has been serving as senior Inn, Pierre; September 18-Public Revice president and director of loans lations & Marketing, Holiday Inn, at the National City Bank of Minne- Mitchell; October 8-9-Economic Conference for Young Adults, Holiday Inn, Mitchell.

> SIOUX FALLS: Curt Lovre, president of the Northwestern National Bank of Sioux Falls, has announced that the bank is presenting Master Charge Credit Card to eastern South Dakota.

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ILLINOIS NEWS

DUNDEE: Application of the First National Bank of Dundee for a detached facility at 210 West Main Street — 209 Washington Street has been approved by the Comptroller of the Currency.

GLENVIEW: The Glenview State Bank's application for consent to establish a facility at 834 Waukegan Road here has been approved by the FDIC.

SPRINGFIELD: Robert V. Prather, Sr., vice president and trust officer, has resigned at the Illinois National Bank of Springfield. Mr. Prather's future plans have not been announced.

COLORADO NEWS

DENVER: Harry G. Anderson, a Denver banker since 1923, has been elected president of Villa National Bank. Mr. Anderson has been a member of the senior management team of the Denver U. S. National Bank, serving as senior vice president, and succeeds J. P. Edrington, who resigned.

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DENVER: Mrs. A. E. Cunningham has been promoted to assistant cashier at the Western National Bank. She will also be responsible for administration of the bank's installment loan department.

DENVER: Mack Tatarsky, 19-yearold teller and summer employee at the Metropolitan National Bank, was critically wounded in the recent \$5,400 hold-up of the bank by two bandits. One of the men was later apprehended in a nearby parking lot. Mr. Tatarsky was reported improving in the Denver General Hospital.

NATIONAL NEWS

SANDS POINT, N.Y.: Robert Lehman, head of the international investment banking firm of Lehman Brothers, died recently at his country home after a long illness. He was 77.

SAN FRANCISCO: "Dialogs in Bank Marketing Management," a symposium examining the eight major problems of bank marketing managers, will be held August 24-26 at the Mark-Hopkins Hotel here. The symposium, sponsored by the Bank Public Relations and Marketing Association, is designed for senior marketing officers of major banks and will feature discussions by a faculty of distinguished experts, both bankers and non-bankers.

Tax Reform...

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tive by which the Treasury would declare a subsidy ranging between 25% and 40% of the stated yield of a taxable bond. During the first five years, this subsidy would range between 30% and 40% of the stated yield of a taxable bond issued by a state or local government.

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