

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of ARM ) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT  
2.59.104 pertaining to semiannual )  
assessment for banks )

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On February 28, 2013, the Department of Administration published MAR Notice No. 2-59-479 pertaining to the proposed amendment of the above-stated rule at page 241 of the 2013 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 4.

2. The department has amended the above-stated rule as proposed.

3. The department has thoroughly considered the comment received. A summary of the comment received and the department's response are as follows:

COMMENT 1: The Montana Independent Bankers Association (MIB) is a trade association of Montana's independent bankers. The MIB commented that it strongly supported the 2012 amendment to this same administrative rule made in MAR Notice Number 2-59-470 published on March 8, 2012, at page 460. At that time, it urged the department to keep the amendment in place as long as it was economically feasible to do so. It commented that it supports the current proposed amendment to reduce the bank assessments until October 1, 2013.

RESPONSE 1: The department thanks the MIB for its support of this amendment.

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Certified to the Secretary of State April 15, 2013.