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# H. R. 2148

To amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to clarify capital requirements for certain acquisition, development, or construction loans.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PITTINGER (for himself and Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as “Clarifying Commercial  
5 Real Estate Loans”.

6 **SEC. 2. CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN ACQUISI-  
7 TION, DEVELOPMENT, OR CONSTRUCTION  
8 LOANS.**

9       The Federal Deposit Insurance Act is amended by  
10 adding at the end the following new section:

1     **“SEC. 51. CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN ACQUISI-**  
2                 **TION, DEVELOPMENT, OR CONSTRUCTION**  
3                 **LOANS.**

4         “(a) IN GENERAL.—The appropriate Federal bank-  
5         ing agencies may only subject a depository institution to  
6         higher capital standards with respect to a high volatility  
7         commercial real estate (HVCRE) exposure (as defined  
8         under section 324.2 of title 12, Code of Federal Regula-  
9         tions, as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-  
10        ment of this section) if such exposure is an HVCRE ADC  
11        loan.

12         “(b) HVCRE ADC LOAN DEFINED.—For purposes  
13        of this section and with respect to a depository institution,  
14        the term ‘HVCRE ADC loan’—

15                 “(1) means a credit facility secured by land or  
16         improved real property that, prior to being reclassi-  
17         fied by the depository institution as a Non-HVCRE  
18         ADC loan pursuant to subsection (d)—

19                 “(A) finances or has financed the acquisi-  
20         tion, development, or construction of real prop-  
21         erty;

22                 “(B) has the purpose of providing financ-  
23         ing to acquire, develop, or improve such real  
24         property into income-producing real property;  
25         and

1               “(C) is dependent upon future income or  
2               sales proceeds from, or refinancing of, such real  
3               property for the repayment of such credit facil-  
4               ity;

5               “(2) does not include a credit facility financ-  
6               ing—

7               “(A) the acquisition, development, or con-  
8               struction of properties that are—

9               “(i) one- to four-family residential  
10              properties;

11              “(ii) real property that would qualify  
12              as an investment in community develop-  
13              ment; or

14              “(iii) agricultural land;

15              “(B) the acquisition or refinance of exist-  
16              ing income-producing real property secured by  
17              a mortgage on such property;

18              “(C) improvements to existing income-pro-  
19              ducing improved real property secured by a  
20              mortgage on such property, if the cash flow  
21              being generated by the real property is suffi-  
22              cient to support the debt service and expenses  
23              of the real property, as determined by the de-  
24              pository institution, in accordance with the in-

1 stitution's applicable loan underwriting criteria  
2 for permanent financings; or

3 “(D) commercial real property projects in  
4 which—

5 “(i) the loan-to-value ratio is less than  
6 or equal to the applicable maximum supervi-  
7 sory loan-to-value ratio as determined by  
8 the appropriate Federal banking agency;  
9 and

10 “(ii) the borrower has contributed  
11 capital of at least 15 percent of the real  
12 property's appraised, ‘as completed’ value  
13 to the project in the form of—

14 “(I) cash;

15 “(II) unencumbered readily mar-  
16 ketable assets;

17 “(III) paid development expenses  
18 out-of-pocket; or

19 “(IV) contributed real property  
20 or improvements; and

21 “(iii) the borrower contributed the  
22 minimum amount of capital described  
23 under clause (ii) before the depository in-  
24 stitution advances funds under the credit  
25 facility, and such minimum amount of cap-

1           ital contributed by the borrower is contrac-  
2           tually required to remain in the project  
3           until the credit facility has been reclassi-  
4           fied by the depository institution as a Non-  
5           HVCRE ADC loan under subsection (d);

6           “(3) does not include any loan made prior to  
7           January 1, 2015; and

8           “(4) does not include a credit facility reclassi-  
9           fied as a Non-HVCRE ADC loan under subsection  
10          (d).

11          “(c) VALUE OF CONTRIBUTED REAL PROPERTY.—

12         For purposes of this section, the value of any real property  
13         contributed by a borrower as a capital contribution shall  
14         be the appraised value of the property as determined  
15         under standards prescribed pursuant to section 1110 of  
16         the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforce-  
17         ment Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 3339), in connection with  
18         the extension of the credit facility or loan to such bor-  
19         rower.

20          “(d) RECLASSIFICATION AS A NON-HVCRE ADC  
21          LOAN.—For purposes of this section and with respect to  
22         a credit facility and a depository institution, upon—

23           “(1) the completion of the development or con-  
24           struction of the real property being financed by the  
25           credit facility; and

1           “(2) cash flow being generated by the real prop-  
2       erty being sufficient to support the debt service and  
3       expenses of the real property,  
4       in either case to the satisfaction of the depository institu-  
5       tion, in accordance with the institution’s applicable loan  
6       underwriting criteria for permanent financings, the credit  
7       facility may be reclassified by the depository institution  
8       as a Non-HVCRE ADC loan.”.

