



## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

### **EMERGENCY CLOSINGS – Winter Weather**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Tuesday, January 28, 2014**

Financial institution offices directly affected by severe weather conditions may close under the conditions stated below pursuant to Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 7-1-111 and Rule 80-5-2-.02 of the Georgia Department of Banking and Finance (Department). All financial institutions are reminded that current regulations provide for management to exercise its own discretion, with notification to the Department, in closing any institution for one business day (renewal for successive days) upon its determination that the safety of customers, employees or assets would be in jeopardy due to civil disorder, fire, acts of God, or similar circumstances which render the institution unable to conduct business in a safe and sound manner.

Those offices closing due to severe weather should make every effort to reopen as quickly as possible to address the banking needs of their customers. Such closings should be communicated to the Department, preferably by e-mail to [dbfcorp@dbf.state.ga.us](mailto:dbfcorp@dbf.state.ga.us) as soon as transmission is feasible. If notification to the Department by e-mail is not possible, communication of such closings may be made by telephone or fax.

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