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CFPB UPDATES 1-4 FAMILY LENDING RULES

The Consumer Finance Protection Bureau (CFPB) has changed the underwriting requirements for 1-4 family lending. Here are the highlights:

- **You may not make a 1-4 family loan unless you have made a reasonable, good faith determination, based on verified and documented information, that the borrower has the ability to repay the loan according to its terms.**
- **Compliance is presumed for certain traditional loans with limited prepayment penalties and points and fees of 3% or less of the loan amount.**
- **There are exceptions for refinancing non-standard loans.**
- **Foreclosure defenses available to borrowers have been strengthened for Truth in Lending Act violations.**

The CFPB's new regulations are long and ridiculously complicated. We can help you understand them. If you would like a free, detailed summary, simply contact us.

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