

2620

Pennsylvania Department of Banking
Attention Office of Chief Counsel
17 North Second Street Suite 1300
Harrisburg, Pa. 17101

RECEIVED

AUG 22 0 2007

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING
DEPARTMENT SECTION
LEGAL SECTION

Dear Council:

I am writing this letter in response to the new mortgage regulations proposed by the Pennsylvania Dept. of Banking & are being considered by the commonwealth's independent Regulatory Commission. I do understand the concern for trying to stop the current problems with the foreclosures from subprime loans I think this will hurt homeowners & potential homeowners.

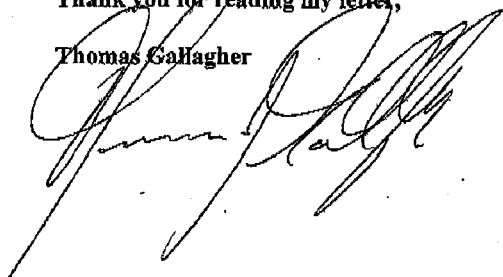
I take particular exception to the section of the new regulations that look to stop stated income & no doc loans. I believe both of these programs can be used to help the homeowner. I believe the lenders are making sure they plug the wholes that allow some unscrupulous loan originators from taking advantage of the loophole.

I also want to point out that most people run into problems because of the surprises in the job market & personal hardships along with the sudden drop in housing which I believe is leveling out & will start rising again in the near future, but not stated loans & no doc loans.

I don't want to see people squeezed out of the credit options struggling to get loans. I urge you to reconsider & not panic. Lenders are making all the adjustments to make sure the loans that they approve are on solid ground.

Thank you for reading my letter,

Thomas Gallagher



RECEIVED

2007 AUG 23 AM 7:21

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY
REVIEW COMMISSION