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Idaho Finance Department to Host Conference of State Bank Supervisors Annual Meeting and Conference in Coeur d'Alene

Boise, ID—The Idaho Department of Finance will host the largest annual gathering of state and federal banking regulators, state bank CEOs, industry policy makers and representatives of companies who support the banking industry next week at the Coeur d'Alene Resort in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

The 106th Annual Meeting and Conference of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) will be held May 30-June 1, 2007. CSBS is the nation's leading advocate for the state banking system and the only national organization dedicated to advancing the dual banking system.

To date, a near record 354 people have registered for the meeting. Registrants are from around the U.S. and managing officers of foreign banks with offices in the U.S. Among the registrants are:

- Eighty-nine state bank regulators from forty-three states
- Forty-three federal regulators from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Reserve System, Office of Thrift Supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, Internal Revenue Service and the Department of Homeland Security
- American Bankers Insurance Association
- America's Community Bankers
- American Financial Services Association
- Council of Federal Home Loan Banks
- Independent Community Bankers of America
- Mortgage Bankers Association
- National Association of Mortgage Brokers
- National Association of State Credit Union Supervisors
- National Association of Securities Dealers

- Taiwan Financial Supervisory Commission
- Several other state bankers' associations.

Gavin Gee, Director of the Department of Finance, board member and former chairman of CSBS stated, "We are very pleased and honored to host, for the first time in Idaho, the Annual Meeting and Conference of CSBS in Coeur d'Alene. This is an important conference for the financial services industry and especially for the state financial services regulatory system." Gee will moderate a panel discussion at the conference on the proposed implementation of the nationwide automated mortgage licensing system.

Highlights of this year's conference include:

- A first-time all day Financial Services Symposium for the banking industry, hosted by the CSBS Bankers Advisory Board
- "Welcome to Idaho" remarks by the **Honorable Ron Crane, Idaho State Treasurer**
- The **Honorable Mike Crapo, Idaho U.S. Senator** (telephonically)
- Four breakout sessions addressing mortgage industry hot topics including a demonstration of the proposed CSBS/AARMR Nationwide Automated Mortgage Licensing System scheduled to commence on January 2, 2008
- Annual report from outgoing CSBS Chairman, **E. Joseph Face, Jr., Virginia Commissioner of Banking**
- "Business Continuity Planning in the Face of a Pandemic"
- The **Honorable Martin Gruenberg, Vice Chairman of the FDIC**
- The **Honorable John M. Reich, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision**
- "Turmoil in Bank Regulation" presentation by **Duncan A. MacDonald, retired Citibank General Counsel and frequent American Banker op-ed writer**
- "Economic Outlook" presentation by **Douglas G. Duncan, Chief Economist, Mortgage Bankers Association**
- Incoming CSBS Chairman, **Jeff Vogel, Wyoming State Banking Commissioner**

For more information about the Annual Meeting and Conference or the Conference of State Bank Supervisors, please visit the CSBS website at <http://www.csbs.org>.

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