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# H. R. 6536

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 9, 2025

Mr. NORMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Financial Services

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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 the “Rural Depositories Re-  
5       vitalization Study Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON IMPROVING THE GROWTH, CAPITAL ADE-**  
2 **QUACY, AND PROFITABILITY OF RURAL DE-**  
3 **POSITORY INSTITUTIONS.**

4 (a) STUDY.—The Federal banking agencies shall,  
5 jointly, carry out a study—

6 (1) to identify methods to improve the growth,  
7 capital adequacy, and profitability of depository in-  
8 stitutions in the United States that primarily serve  
9 rural areas; and

10 (2) to identify Federal statutes or regulations  
11 of the Federal banking agencies that limit—

12 (A) the methods identified under para-  
13 graph (1); or

14 (B) the establishment of de novo deposi-  
15 tory institutions in rural areas.

16 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after the date  
17 of enactment of this Act, the Federal banking agencies  
18 shall, jointly, issue a report to Congress containing all  
19 findings and determinations made in carrying out the  
20 study required under subsection (a).

21 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term “de-  
23 pository institution” has the meaning given that  
24 term in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance  
25 Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).

1           (2) FEDERAL BANKING AGENCIES.—The term  
2       “Federal banking agencies” means the Board of  
3       Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the  
4       Comptroller of the Currency, and the Federal De-  
5       posit Insurance Corporation.

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