IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. and TITLEBUCKS d/b/a
TITLEMAX, a Nevada corporation,

Respondent(s),

v.

STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION,

Appellant(s).

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Case No. 74335

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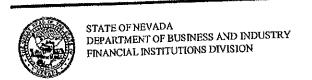
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The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

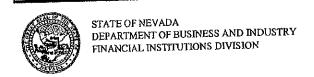
The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

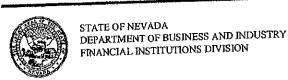
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |
|-----------------|-----------------|

| | Population . | Sample Size | Penetration ' |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 613 | 10 | 1.63% |
| | 294 | 5 | 1.70% |
| Delinquent Loans | 35 | 5 | 14.29% |
| Closed Loans | 32 | 1 | 50.00% |
| Declined Loans | | 21 | 2.22% |
| Total Loans = | 944 | 21[| |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

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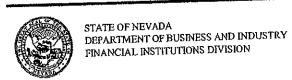
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
- (b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

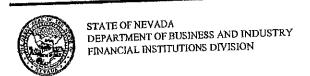
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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

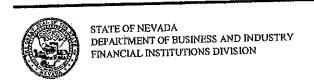
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

| N | o Regard to Custom | er's Abili | ty to Repay | the Title Loa | n | |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| | | T | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | | \$200.00 | \$825.93 | \$425.93 |
| Melody Bryant | 10769-0083714 | 30 day | \$600.00 | | | |
| | 10769-0079504 | 30 day | \$1,900.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$1,146.40 | \$446.40 |
| Hector Gallardo | | 30 day | \$3,000.00 | \$2,300.00 | \$4,399.60 | \$3,699.60 |
| Tony Miller | 10769-0106248 | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | \$830.34 |
| Ariel Nuel | 10769-0071746 | 30 day | \$700.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,130.34 | 2020.24 |

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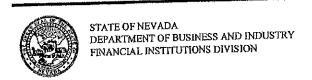
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

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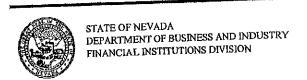
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No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.



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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

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Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 6436 N. Decatur Blvd., Ste. 115 Las Vegas, NV 89131 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

The Surety Bond appears to he sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

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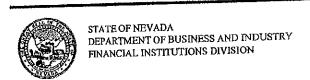
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The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

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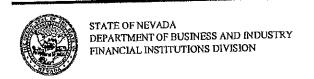
The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

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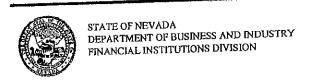
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|---|------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
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| | LOAN TYPES: | | 10 | 2.87% |
| | Active Loans | 348 54 | 4 | 7.41% |
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2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

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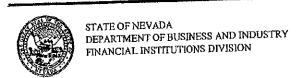
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
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During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

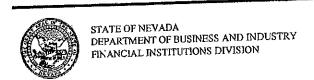
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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

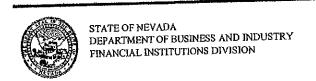
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Trnth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



CURRENT VIOLATIONS OF APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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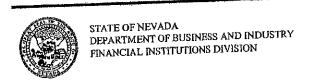
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The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

| No | Regard to Custom | er's Abili | ty to Repay | the Lide Loai | u . | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| | | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | 30 day | \$1,784.00 | \$500.00 | \$5,532.50 | \$4,248.50 |
| Andy Tsao | 11369-0060970 | 30 day | \$4,500.00 | \$1,800.00 | \$2,734.36 | \$34.36 |
| Bryan Lagrow | 11369-0049159 | | \$1,102.37 | \$0.00 | \$8,821.20 | \$7,718.83 |
| Anita Ealy | 11369-0061828 | 30 day | | | \$5,521.50 | \$3,521.50 |
| Barbara Szydlo-mcgee | 11369-0055605 | 30 day | \$5,000.00 | | \$1,333.69 | \$33.69 |
| Tiffany Young | 11369-0106676 | 30 day | \$2,500.00 | | i | |
| | 11369-0116061 | 30 day | \$4,588.00 | | \$3,351.90 | 1 |
| Jeanne Hamburg Stephen Ruck | 11369-0100726 | 30 day | \$4,583.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$3,321.70 | \$738.70 |

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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

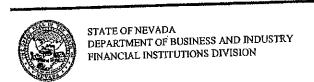
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NRS 604A.445 Title loans: Restrictions on duration of loan and periods of extension.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
- (a) The loan provides for payments in installments;
- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:



Any fees for granting such a grace period; or

Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

Moreover, management issued the below marketing statement with the instruction that employees should encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The marketing statement provides:

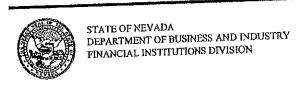
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The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is more than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3). Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS



604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

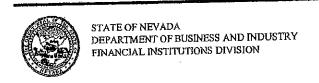
For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:

| LOAN NUMBER | BE PAID UNDER ORIGINAL LOAN | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 11369-0117263 | \$2,890.26 | \$3,546.68 | \$656.42 |
| 11369-0117263 | \$1,505.50 | \$1,852.64 | \$347.14 |
| 11369-0115620 | \$5,079.66 | \$6,188.83 | \$1,109.17 \$104.78 |
| 11369-0117680 | \$574.94 | \$679.72 | Φ104.76 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.



SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.

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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. DBA: TITLEMAX 6530 S. DECATUR BLVD STE. 100 LAS VEGAS, NV 89118 WWW.TITLEMAX.COM

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| Christian Vanez | Examined as of: August 31, 2014 |
| Examiner In Charge: Christian Yanez | Examination Closed: December 18, 2014 |
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THIS REPORT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Busings and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 6530 S. Decatur Blvd., Ste. 100 Las Vegas, NV 89118 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

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The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:



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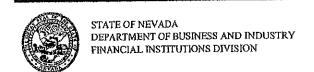
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Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 13, 2014 | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------|
| | | | |
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|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 287 | 7 | 2.44% |
| Delinquent Loans | 104 | 4 | 3.85% |
| Closed Loans | 22 | 5 | 22.73% |
| | | 1 | 100.00% |
| Declined Loans | 414 | 17 | 4.11% |
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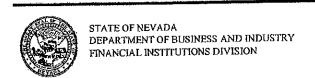
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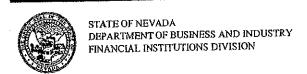
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|------------------------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Thursday Nome | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name Lee Villalun | 11269-0072964 | 30 day | \$1,100.00 | \$350.00 | \$873.98 | \$123.98 |
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

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trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

Moreover, management issued the below marketing statement with the instruction that employees should encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The marketing statement provides:

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The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is <u>more</u> than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

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For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|------------|---|----------|
| 11269-0111357 | \$3,500.21 | \$4,281.00 | \$780.79 |
| 11269-0118690 | \$954.74 | \$1,174.85 | \$220.11 |
| 11269-0119197 | \$3,153.67 | \$3857.14 | \$703.47 |
| 11269-0119826 | \$3,247.09 | \$3,984.54 | \$737.45 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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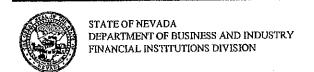
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No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

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| 1 | Examiner In Charge: | Christian Yanez | Examined as of: | August 31, 2014 |
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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

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Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 7150 S. Durango Dr. Ste 190., Las Vegas, NV 89113 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

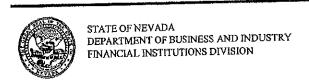
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

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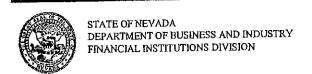
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Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

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Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August | 31, 2014 |] |
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|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 178 | 10 | 5,62% |
| Delinquent Loans | 63 | 5 | 7.94% |
| Closed Loans | 10 | 5 | 50.00% |
| Declined Loans | 2 | 2 | 100.00% |
| Total Loans = | 253 | 22 | 8.70% |

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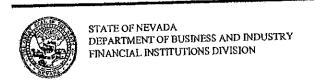
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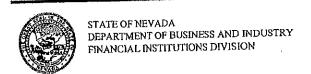
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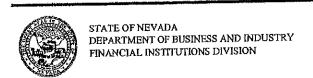
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|-----------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| • | T. N. | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | | | \$1,201.00 | \$5,521.50 | \$2,520.60 |
| Patsy Bravo | 10269-0110492 | 30 day | \$4,202.00 | | | |
| | 10269-0099149 | 30 day | \$2,000.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$3,299.70 | \$2,799.70 |
| Brenda Similton | | | | \$1,000.00 | \$2,302.60 | \$802.60 |
| Nicholas Botts | 10269-0087417 | 30 day | \$2,500.00 | 31,000.00 | Ψ2,302.00 | |

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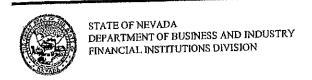
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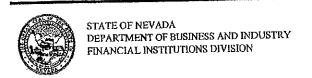
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The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is <u>more</u> than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3).

Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS 604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | BE PAID UNDER | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|---------------|---|------------|
| 10269-0114488 | \$3,196.22 | \$3,856.80 | \$660.58 |
| 10269-0115965 | \$13,903.62 | \$16,292.93 | \$2,389.31 |
| 10269-0116688 | \$2,355.05 | \$2,889.89 | \$534.84 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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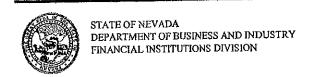
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No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.



Mixed Sources

FSC 9156 Forest Stavendship Council:

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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC.

DBA: TITLEMAX

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LAS VEGAS, NV 89169

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| Examiner In Charge: | Christian Yanez | | August 31, 2014 |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Examination Started: | Angust 6, 2014 | Examination Closed: | |
| Total Exam Hours: | 11.00 | Examination Number: | 65326 |

THIS REPORT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Posiness and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez
Examiner In Charge

APP 013833

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 2550 S. Eastern Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89169 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

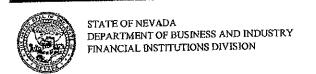
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

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The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:

"TMX Employee:

Great! Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

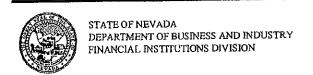
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | · August 16, 2013 |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 210 01 130000 | |

| | . Population | Sample Size | 'Penetration |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | • | | |
| Active Loans | 551 | 9 | 1.63% |
| Delinquent Loans | 103 | 5 | 4.85% |
| Closed Loans | 20 | 5 | 25.00% |
| Declined Loans | 2 | 2 | 100.00% |
| Total Loans = | 676 | 21 | 3.11% |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

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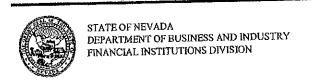
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:

(a) Translated by an interpreter who is:

(1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.

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(2) Approved in writing by the Division.

(b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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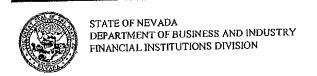
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- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

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2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

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During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

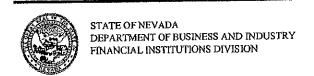
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2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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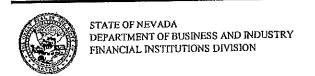
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|---|---------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
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| Michael Castillo | 10669-0116825 | 30 day | \$6,500.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$5,471.30 | \$1,471.30 |
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| Mylissa Gibson | 10669-0054216 | 30 day | \$1,440.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$482.96 | \$42.96 |
| | 10669-0074174 | 30 day | \$576.00 | \$100.00 | \$489.43 | \$13.43 |
| Virgilio Constantin | 10669-0094935 | 30 day | \$1,500.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,179.90 | \$79.90 |
| Johnathan Keyes Diane Walton | 10669-0093247 | 30 day | \$1,350.00 | \$800.00 | \$683.94 | \$133.94 |

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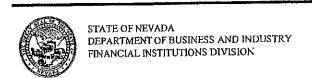
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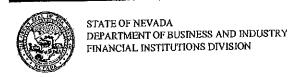
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| 10669-0117764 | \$841.04 | \$1,024.65 | \$183.61 |
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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. DBA: TITLEMAX 7380 S. EASTERN AVE. STE. 126 LAS VEGAS, NV 89123 WWW.TITLEMAX.COM

| Christian Vanez | | August 31, 2014 |
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Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

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INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 7380 S. Eastern Ave., Ste. 126 Las Vegas, NV 89123 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

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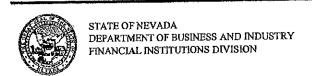
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

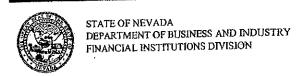
During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A_445 (3):

- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
- (a) The loan provides for payments in installments;
- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:



"TMX Employee:

Great! Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

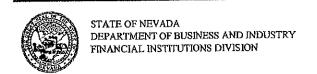
The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

Declined Loans

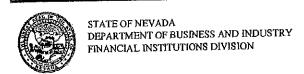
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| Active Loans | 364 | 11 | 3.02% |
| Delinquent Loans | 53 | 5 | 9,43% |
| Closed Loans | 25 | 5 | 20.00% |
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All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

NRS 604A.450 Title loans: Prohibited acts by licensee regarding amount of loan and customer's ability to repay loan. A licensee who makes title loans shall not:

2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NAC 604A.230 Prohibited acts: Miscellaneous acts.

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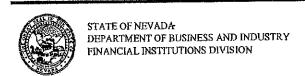
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS $604A.\overline{620}$, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
- (b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

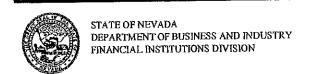
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

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|-----------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| D | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name | | | | \$2,100.00 | \$1,771.26 | \$371.26 |
| Jody Hoffman | 11069-0081102 | 30 day | \$3,500.00 | <u> </u> | | |
| Maria Gomez | 11069-0109621 | 30 day | \$6,000.00 | \$2,200.00 | \$7,721.30 | \$3,921.30 |
| | | | \$3,300.00 | \$1,400.00 | \$2,758.56 | \$858.56 |
| Virgen Reyes | 11069-0119220 | 30 day | 35,300.00 | φ1,400.00 | Ψ2,730.30 | 400000 |

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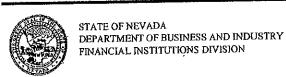
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

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NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

- 1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or
- 2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

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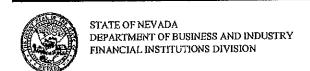
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| | ORIGINAL LOAN | "AMENDED" LOAN | |
| | AGREEMENT | AGREEMENT | |
| 11069-0115574 | \$1,819.80 | \$2,233.10 | \$413.30 |
| 11069-0115138 | \$2,283.64 | \$2,802.29 | \$518.65 |
| 11069-0113547 | \$1,212.92 | \$1,483.51 | \$270.59 |

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APP 013859

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Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

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| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|--|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | | |
| Active Loans | 356 | 10 | 2.81% | |
| Delinquent Loans | 104 | 6 | 5.7 7 % | |
| Closed Loans | 21 | 5 | 23.81% | |
| Declined Loans | 2 | 2 | 100.00% | |
| Total Loans = | 483 | 23 | 4.76% | |

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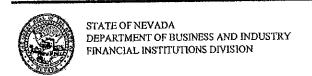
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During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

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(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

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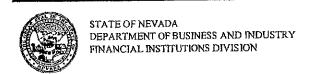
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EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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| No Regard to Customer's Ability to Repay the Title Loan | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Gabriel Thomas | 10469-0103325 | 30 day | \$2,200.00 | \$800.00 | \$4,582.40 | \$3,182.40 |
| Rookee Magliopon | 10469-0081957 | 30 day | \$7,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$6,621.40 | \$2,621.40 |
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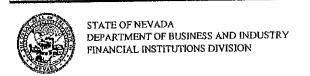
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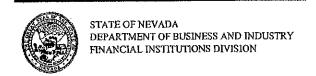
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For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | BE PAID UNDER ORIGINAL LOAN | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--|----------|
| | AGREEMENT | AGREEMEN 1 | |
| 10469-0117222 | \$734.44 | \$903.72 | \$169.28 |

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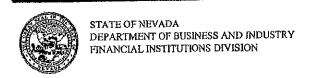
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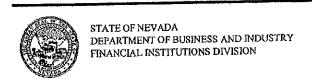
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The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

As of Exam Date

Declined Loans

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| , | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 86 | 10 | 5.00% |
| Delinquent Loans | 23 | 5 | 21.74% |
| Closed Loans | 10 | 5 | 50.00% |

120

August 31, 2014

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:

100.00%

17.50%





PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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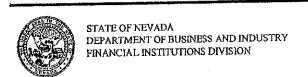
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- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
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- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
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NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

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(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

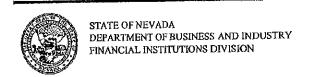
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



CURRENT VIOLATIONS OF APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

STATE

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| N | o Regard to Custom | ier's Abili | ity to Repay | the Title Loa | p | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name | 14269-0105161 | 30 day | \$800.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,661.26 | \$1,261.26 |
| Keri Jo Renteria Nikkita You | 14269-110994 | 30 day | \$1,200.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,193.30 | \$393.30 |

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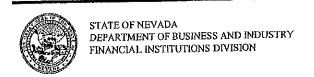
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

NRS 604A.445 Title loans: Restrictions on duration of loan and periods of extension. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

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- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
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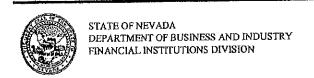
NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

- 1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or
- 2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are



trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

Moreover, management issued the below marketing statement with the instruction that employees should encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The marketing statement provides:

"Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Mimmum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is <u>more</u> than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3). Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS 604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | BE PAID UNDER ORIGINAL LOAN | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN | OVERAGE |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--|----------|
| 14269-0115854 | AGREEMENT \$550.77 | AGREEMENT \$677.79 | \$127.02 |
| 14269-0114982 | \$1,819.80 | \$2,233.10 | \$413.30 |
| 14269-0111601 | \$1,872.76 | \$2,304.50 | \$431.74 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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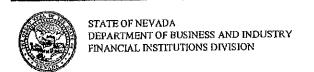
FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.



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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. DBA: TITLEMAX 8414 W. FARM RD, STE, 130 LAS VEGAS, NV 89131 WWW.TITLEMAX.COM

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| | Christian Vanez | Examined as of: | August 31, 2014 |
| Examiner In Charge: | CHIISHAN TANOZ | Examination Closed: | December 18, 2014 |
| Examination Started: | August 0, Do. | Examination Number: | 65318 |
| Total Exam Hours: | 11.00 | Examination (value) | |

THIS REPORT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 8414 W. Farm Rd., Ste. 130 Las Vegas, NV 89131 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

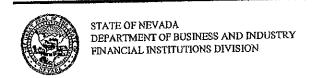
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

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The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:



"TMX Employee:

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The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

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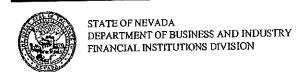
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| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 267 | 8 | 3.00% |
| Delinquent Loans | 65 | 5 | 7.69% |
| Closed Loans | 15 | 3 | 20.00% |
| Declined Loans | 2 | 2 | 100.00% |

August 31, 2014

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5.16%



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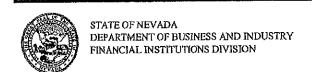
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|---|---------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
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| Jeffrey Jones | 12569-0102894 | 30 day | \$4,600.00 | \$2,100.00 | \$9,899.10 | \$7,399.10 | |
| Lori Wigner | 12569-0107659 | 30 day | \$946.00 | \$200.00 | \$1,427.28 | \$681.28 | |
| Sherri Doyle | 12569-0118011 | 30 day | \$5,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$3,359.70 | \$1,359.70 | |

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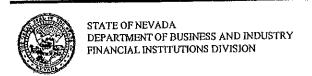
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"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

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NRS 604A.445 Title loans: Restrictions on duration of loan and periods of extension. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

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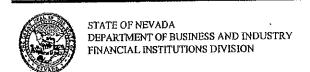
NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

- 1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or
- 2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are



trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

Moreover, management issued the below marketing statement with the instruction that employees should encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The marketing statement provides:

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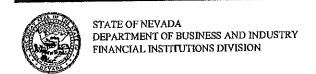
The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is <u>more</u> than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3). Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS 604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | OVERAGE |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| | BE PAID UNDER | BE PAID UNDER | |
| | ORIGINAL LOAN | "AMENDED" LOAN | |
| | AGREEMENT | AGREEMENT | |
| 12569-0118519 | \$4,539.89 | \$5,552.58 | \$1,012.69 |
| 12569-0117011 | \$6,468.15 | \$7,646.85 | \$1,178.70 |
| 12569-0119299 | \$1,505.50 | \$1,852.64 | \$347.14 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 3365 E. Flamingo Rd. Ste. 1 Las Vegas, NV 89121 commenced on August 16, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

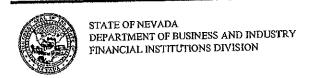
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

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The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:



"TMX Employee:

Great! Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

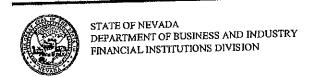
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| | |

| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 155 | 10 | 6.45% |
| Delinquent Loans | 46 | 4 | 8.70% |
| | 21 | 4 | 19.05% |
| Closed Loans | 21 | 2 | 100.00% |
| Declined Loans | | 20 | 8.93% |
| Total Loans = | 224 | | |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



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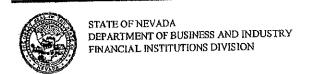
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:

(a) Translated by an interpreter who is:

(1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.

(2) Approved in writing by the Division.

(b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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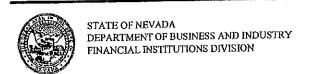
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| Julie Pimentel | 12669-0082177 | 30 day | \$1910.00 | \$600.00 | \$3,739.66 | \$2,429.66 | |
| | 12669-0088817 | 30 day | \$1350.00 | \$900.00 | \$613.55 | \$163.55 | |
| Tammy Siegel | 12669-0081574 | 30 day | \$960.00 | \$400.00 | \$605.96 | \$45.96 | |
| Lawrence Banks | | | \$1.349.00 | \$650.00 | \$1,165.30 | \$466.30 | |
| Ebony Archie Kimberly Williams | 12669-0073872 12669-0095106 | 30 day 30 day | \$2,500.00 | 1,000.00 | \$1,595.86 | \$595.86 | |

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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. **DBA: TITLEMAX** 6820 W. FLAMINGO RD. STE F & G LAS VEGAS, NV 89103 www.titlemax.com

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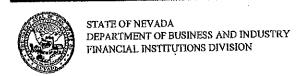
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Total Sample Size

As of Exam Date

Declined Loans

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| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 402 | 11 | 2.74% |
| Delinquent Loans | 92 | 5 | 5.43% |
| Closed Loans | 10 | 5 | 50.00% |
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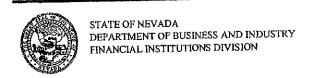
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



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- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
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- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
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- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
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During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
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During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NRS 604A.475. Repayment plan

2. If the licensec intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed,

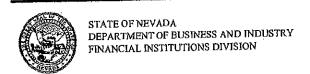
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During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

| No Regard to Customer's Ability to Repay the Title Loan | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| | , Nambor | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over | |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | | | \$1,300.00 | \$744.89 | \$160.89 | |
| Cindy Cabrera | 10869-0115241 | 120 day | \$1,884.00 | | | | |
| | 10869-0088033 | 30 day | \$2,000.00 | \$500.00 | \$5,599.50 | \$4,099.50 | |
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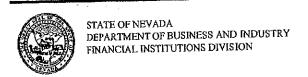
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During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

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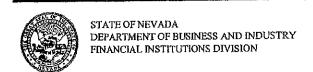
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| Active Loans | 721 | 10 | 1.39% |
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| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Sunnie Dickson | 11569-0103988 | 30 day | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,806.96 | \$2,306.96 |
| Siane Coley | 11569-0083985 | 30 day | \$12,000.00 | \$4,500.00 | \$11,022.10 | \$3,522.10 |

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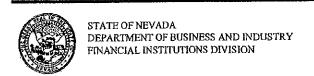
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

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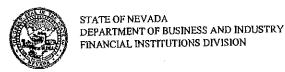
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- Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are



trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

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"Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is more than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3).

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For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | OVERAGE |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| | | BE PAID UNDER | |
| | ORIGINAL LOAN | "AMENDED" LOAN | |
| | AGREEMENT. | AGREEMENT | |
| 11569-0117132 | \$1,609.84 | \$1,903.23 | \$293.39 |
| 11569-0119297 | \$4,539.89 | \$5,552.58 | \$1,012.69 |
| 11569-0119646 | \$1,784.11 | \$2,189.30 | \$405.19 |
| 11569-0119874 | \$5,920.69 | \$7,213.48 | \$1,292.79 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.



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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC. DBA: TITLEMAX 5060 S. FORT APACHE RD. STE. 140 LAS VEGAS, NV 89148 WWW.TITLEMAX.COM

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THIS REPORT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Bysiness and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 5060 S. Fort Apache Rd., Ste. 140 Las Vegas, NV 89147 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

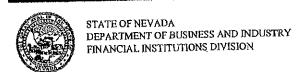
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

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- Income and obligations
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- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
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- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

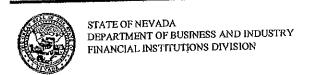
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During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

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The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

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According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

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Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

As of Exam Date

Declined Loans

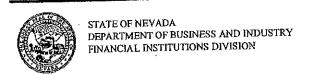
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| | Population · | Sample Size . | Penetration |
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| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 41 | 10 | 24.39% |
| Delinquent Loans | 30 | 5 | 16.67% |
| | 10 | 4 | 40.00% |
| Closed Loans | 10 | 1 | 100.00% |

August 31, 2014

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:

24.39%



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|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
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| Edward Chan | 13869-0116090 | 210 day | \$2,000.00 | \$500.00 | *\$2,053.36 | \$553.36 |

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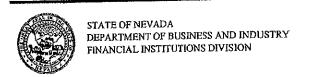
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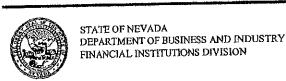
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| LOAN NUMBER | ORIGINAL LOAN | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
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| 13869-0114073 | | \$5,246.29 | \$769.35 |



Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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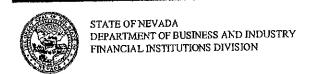
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No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC.

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

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INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 6525 S. Fort Apache Rd Ste 110., Las Vegas, NV 89148 commenced on August 16, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

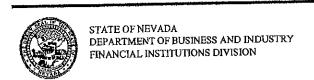
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

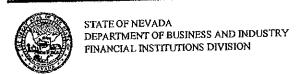
During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
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"TMX Employee:

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This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

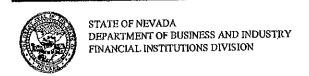
The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

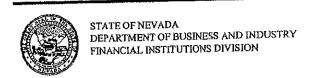
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

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| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |

| Population | Sample Size · | Penetration |
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| | | |
| 347 | 10 | 2.88% |
| 132 | 5 _ | 3.79% |
| 10 | 5 | 50.00% |
| 2 | 1 | 50.00% |
| 491 | 21 | 4.28% |
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All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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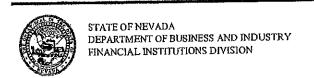
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

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- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



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- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
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- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
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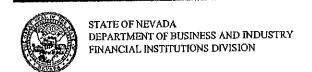
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EXIT MEETING

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| • | , | | Stated | Stated | Total Amount of | Amount |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term_ | Income | Obligations | Loan(s) | Over |
| Jonathan Medina | 11469-0110532 | 30 day | \$764.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,129.90 | \$365.90 |

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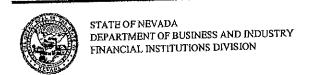
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| | AGREEMENT | AGREEMENT | |
| 11469-0116184 | \$3,164.55 | \$3,818.60 | \$654.05 |
| 11469-0118965 | \$1,819.80 | \$2,233.10 | \$413.30 |
| 11469-0110714 | \$9,682.37 | \$11,535.85 | \$1,853.48 |
| 11469-0116006 | \$2,156.04 | \$2,548.95 | \$392.91 |
| 11469-0119264 | \$367.21 | \$451.86 | \$84.65 |
| 11469-0117999 | \$1,819.80 | 2,233.10 | \$413.30 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

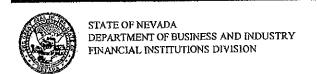
FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

A rating of "Needs Improvement" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated less than satisfactory compliance, or instances and situations involving a lack of compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and that regulatory supervision is required. The licensee and management will be required to respond in writing to the report of examination within 30 days providing the procedures that have been initiated for the correction of the violations and deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations.



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STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION

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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC.

DBA: TITLEMAX

15 BULL ST. STE. 200

SAVANNAH, GA 31401

WWW.TITLEMAX.COM

| Examiner In Charge: | Christian Yanez | Examined as of: | August 31, 2014 |
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| Total Exam Hours: | 2.00 | Examination Number: | 65329 |

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

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Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

State of Nevada

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

APP 013959

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 15 Bull St. Ste. 200 Savannah GA, 31401 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The TitleMax store located at 15 Bull St. Ste. 200 Savannah GA, 31401 did not have any loans during the examination period and has not started underwriting loans.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

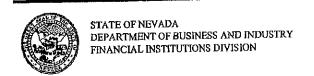
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

Training

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

Record Retention

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

FDCPA

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. No complaints were found.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |
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| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | 0.0004 |
| Active Loans | | | 0.00% |
| Delinquent Loans | | | 0.00% |
| Closed Loans | | | 0.00% |
| Declined Loans | | | 0.00% |
| Total Loans = | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. This location did not have any loans during the examination period.

PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. There were no previous violations cited for this location.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.

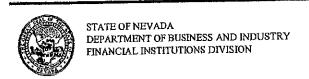
CURRENT VIOLATIONS OF APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

STATE

This is the initial examination for this TitleMax location. No violations of applicable Nevada Revised Statutes and/or the Nevada Administrative Code were observed during the scope of this examination.

FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.



SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Satisfactory."

A rating of "Satisfactory" indicates that the licensee and the management of the licensee have demonstrated substantial compliance with applicable laws and regulations and that any deficiencies noted in the report made by the examiner pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations can be corrected by the licensee with a minimum of regulatory supervision. A rating of "Satisfactory" may be given if there is more than one minor violation or deficiency, but only if the licensee and management take immediate action towards correcting the violations or deficiencies and the action taken by the licensee is likely to prevent future violations or deficiencies.





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STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION

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CHAPTER 604A REPORT OF EXAMINATION

TITLEMAX OF NEVADA, INC.

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HENDERSON, NV 89011

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State of Nevada

Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

APP 013965

INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 1210 N. Boulder Hwy Bldg. C Henderson, NV 89011 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

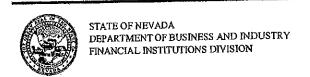
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
- (a) The loan provides for payments in installments;
- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:



"TMX Employee:

Great! Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.

FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August | 31; 2014 |] |
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| | · Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | • |
| Active Loans | 43 | . 6 | 13.95% |
| Delinquent Loans | 24 | 12 | 50.00% |
| Closed Loans | 10 | 5 | 50.00% |
| Declined Loans | 1 | 1 | 100.00% |
| Total Loans = | 78 | 24 | 30.77% |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

NRS 604A.450 Title loans: Prohibited acts by licensee regarding amount of loan and customer's ability to repay loan. A licensee who makes title loans shall not:

2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NAC 604A.230 Prohibited acts: Miscellaneous acts.

- 1. A licensee shall not:
- (a) Require or accept a guarantor to a transaction entered into with a customer.

NRS 604A.105 "Title loan" defined.

- 1. "Title loan" means a loan made to a customer pursuant to a loan agreement which, under its original terms
- (b) Requires the customer to secure the loan by either:
- (1) Giving possession of the title to a vehicle legally owned by the customer to the licensee or any agent, affiliate or subsidiary of the licensee.

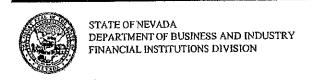
NRS 604A.115 "Title to a vehicle" or "title" defined. "Title to a vehicle" or "title" means a certificate of title or ownership issued pursuant to the laws of this State that identifies the legal owner of a vehicle or any similar document issued pursuant to the laws of another jurisdiction.

During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Leuding Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
- (b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NAC 604A,200 Maintenance of books and records.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.

During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



CURRENT VIOLATIONS OF APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

STATE

REPEAT VIOLATION

NRS 604A.450 Title loans: Prohibited acts by licensee regarding amount of loan and customer's ability to repay loan. A licensee who makes title loans shall not:

2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

| No Regard to Customer's Ability to Repay the Title Loan | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over | |
| Marcus Lee | 14369-0105236 | 30 day | \$1,200.00 | \$500.00 | \$1,193.30 | \$493.30 | |
| Charles Davidson | 14369-0102670 | 30 day | \$2,000.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$3,321.70 | \$2,821.70 | |
| Richard Johnson | 14369-0104421 | 30 day | \$2,800.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$1,544.27 | \$744.27 | |
| Donald Blakeley | 14369-0106888 | 30 day | \$2,500.00 | \$500.00 | \$2,922.95 | \$922.95 | |
| Lorraine Holi | 14369-0108988 | 30 day | \$2,000.00 | \$1,300.00 | \$2,339.80 | \$1,639.80 | |
| Matthew Sarmiento | 14369-0101175 | 30 day | \$1,800.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$2,383.40 | \$1,583.40 | |

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

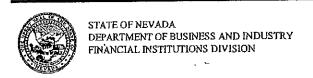
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NRS 604A.115 "Title to a vehicle" or "title" defined. "Title to a vehicle" or "title" means a certificate of title or ownership issued pursuant to the laws of this State that identifies the legal owner of a vehicle or any similar document issued pursuant to the laws of another jurisdiction.

During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

NRS 604A.445 Title loans: Restrictions on duration of loan and periods of extension. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

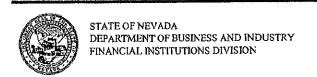
- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
- (a) The loan provides for payments in installments;
- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

- 1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or
- 2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| | BE PAID UNDER | BE PAID UNDER | |
| | ORIGINAL LOAN | "AMENDED" LOAN | |
| | AGREEMENT | AGREEMENT | |
| 14369-0118950 | \$5,079.66 | \$6,188.83 | \$1,109.17 |
| 14369-0122640 | \$1,819.80 | \$2,233.10 | \$413.30 |
| 14369-0116242 | \$6,227.00 | \$5,340.65 | \$886.35 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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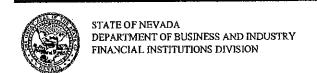
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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

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Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

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Department of Business and Industry, Financial Institutions Division

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INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 16 W. Horizon Ridge Pkwy., Ste. 160 Henderson, NV 89012 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

Annual Report

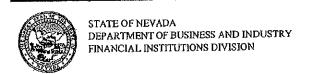
The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

Surety Bond

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

- Loan application form
- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
- Valid phone number
- Title of the vehicle
- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

During the previous examination the licensee was offering 30 day title loans. On January 28, 2014 the licensee sent a letter to the Financial Institutions Division stating that TitleMax is going to stop offering the 30 day title loans and start offering the 210 day title loans.

During the on-site visitation of current examination is was discovered that TitleMax stopped offering the 30 day loans as of July, 2014. The new product, 210 day title loan is currently being offered in all TitleMax locations in the State of Nevada.

The 210 day product mirrors NRS 604A.445 (3):

- 3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:
- (a) The loan provides for payments in installments;
- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

The licensee also implemented "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement." During the onsite visitations of store locations it was observed employees are pre-printing this grace period agreement and putting it in customer's files. The employees are also encouraging the customers to enter into this grace period agreement. The employees are provided the following statement to read to customers:

"TMX Employee:

Great! Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

Training

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

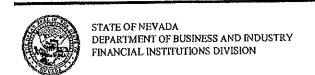
The contact number of the office of the Commissioner, notice of fees charged and business hours are posted conspicuously in the location where the licensee conducts business, which is in compliance with, NRS 604A.405, NAC 604A.130, NAC 604A.140, and NAC 604A.150.

Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



FDCPA

TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

FinCen Registration

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022,380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

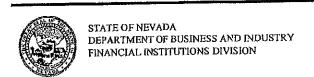
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |
|-----------------|-----------------|

| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | |
| Active Loans | 317 | 9 | 2.84% |
| Delinquent Loans | 102 | 4 | 3.92% |
| Closed Loans | 25 | 6 | 24.00% |
| Declined Loans | 2 | 1 | 50.00% |
| Total Loans = | 446 | 20 | 4.48% |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

NRS 604A.450 Title loans: Prohibited acts by licensee regarding amount of loan and customer's ability to repay loan. A licensee who makes title loans shall not:

2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be underwriting title loans in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations. There was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan. This will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NAC 604A.230 Prohibited acts: Miscellaneous acts.

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NRS 604A.105 "Title loan" defined.

- 1. "Title loan" means a loan made to a customer pursuant to a loan agreement which, under its original terms
- (b) Requires the customer to secure the loan by either:
- (1) Giving possession of the title to a vehicle legally owned by the customer to the licensee or any agent, affiliate or subsidiary of the licensee.

NRS 604A.115 "Title to a vehicle" or "title" defined. "Title to a vehicle" or "title" means a certificate of title or ownership issued pursuant to the laws of this State that identifies the legal owner of a vehicle or any similar document issued pursuant to the laws of another jurisdiction.

During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:

(a) Translated by an interpreter who is:

(1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of

business in this State designated by the licensee.

(2) Approved in writing by the Division.

(b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:

(a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or

(b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

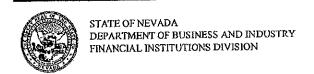
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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| No Regard to Customer's Ability to Repay the Title Loan | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|--|
| | | - | Stated | Stated | Total Amount of | Amount | |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Income | Obligations | Loan(s) | Over | |
| Wade Johnson | 11769-0106824 | 30 day | \$3,200.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$1,778.25 | \$1,078.25 | |
| Tyanna Pollard | 11769-0071073 | 30 day | \$2,000.00 | \$500.00 | \$2,144.15 | \$644.15 | |
| Paul Bagley | 11769-0103474 | 30 day | \$4,166.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$1,778.25 | \$721.75 | |
| Brandon Harmon | 11769-0096662 | 30 day | \$1,600.00 | \$800.00 | \$1,085.51 | \$112.25 | |
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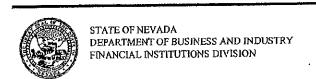
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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

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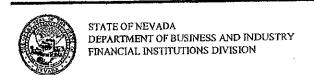
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NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

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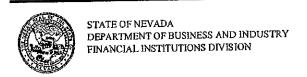
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| 11769-0119863 | \$3,593.43 | \$4,248.25 | \$654.82 |
| 11769-0116971 | \$1,321.92 | \$1,626.71 | \$304.79 |
| 11769-0122549 | \$3,465.55 | \$4,238.60 | \$773.05 |
| 11769-0118177 | \$5,079.66 | \$6,188.83 | \$1109.17 |

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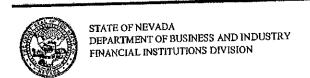
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This agreement consists of separating the interest and principal from the original amortized schedule payments and prolonging the payment of principal until the full interest is paid. This agreement has a schedule of 14 payments which for the first seven payment the customer pays only interest. For the remaining seven payments the customer pays the principal. The total amount paid under this agreement is higher from the original amortized payments scheduled under the original loan agreement.

The "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" offered by TitleMax clearly contradicts with 604A.445(3).

TitleMax provides training upon hire and annually thereafter. All employees are required to complete refresher courses on-line and as needed. The Compliance Department has the responsibility of overseeing that all training materials are up to date with any industry changes and demands.

Display of License, Notices, and Disclosures

The State of Nevada, Financial Institutions Division NRS 604A license is displayed conspicuously by the licensee which is in compliance with NRS 604A.635 and NAC 604A.060.

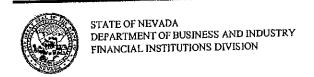
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Record Retention

According to the managers questionnaire, it is the licensee's policy to maintain all records for five years which is in compliance with NRS604A.700 and NAC 604A.200.

Collection Agency Utilized by the Licensee

As of the examination date, the licensee does not utilize the services of a third party collection agency. The internal collection process consists of sending letters and making phone calls to delinquent customers by TitleMax's collection department.



TitleMax employees are required to be certified on an annually basis. All collection employees are required a minimum score of 80% to obtain the FDCPA certification. The store managers monitor all contact with debtors to assure that policy and produces are followed by all employees.

TitleMax is not considered a Money Services Business in accordance with 31 CFR Chapter X § 1022.380; as such, the licensee is not registered with FinCEN as a Money Service Business.

Complaints Filed Since the Previous Examination

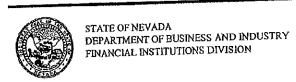
The Financial Institutions Division complaint database was verified and indicates that as of October 14, 2014 there were three complaints filed against TitleMax since the previous examination. TitleMax responded to the complaints in a timely manner.

Total Sample Size

| As of Exam Date | August 31, 2014 |
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| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| LOAN TYPES: | | | 2.58% |
| Active Loans | 387 | 10 | |
| | 107 | 6 | 5,61% |
| Delinquent Loans | 30 | 4 | 13.33% |
| Closed Loans | 20 | 3 | 100.00% |
| Declined Loans | | - 22 | 4.36% |
| Total Loans = | 527 | 23] | 3,5070 |

All of the loan samples were chosen randomly by the examiner. As of the examination date, the licensee had:



PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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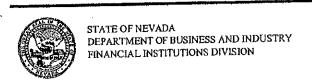
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During the previous examination several of the loan files reviewed showed co-borrowers which were not listed on the title of the vehicle. This violation will be cited as a repeat violation. Please refer to the current violation section for more details.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:

(a) Translated by an interpreter who is:

(1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.

(2) Approved in writing by the Division.

(b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
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- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

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(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

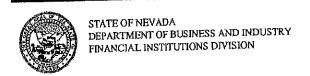
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

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EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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| No Regard to Customer's Ability to Repay the Title Loan | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| | | Tr | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over | |
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | | | \$2,343.00 | \$1,043.00 | |
| Linda Runnells | 11669-0083611 | 30 days | \$2,500.00 | \$1,200.00 | | | |
| William Bonales | 11669-0085025 | 30 days | \$3,500.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$3.472.70 | \$1,972.70 | |
| | 11669-0054764 | 30 days | \$1,963.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$2,282.40 | \$1,519.40 | |
| Cory Madddox | | | | \$790.00 | \$489.43 | \$179.43 | |
| Cory Mader | 11669-0062893 | 30 days | \$1,100.00 | | | | |
| Naomi MacAndog | 11669-0054496 | 30 days | \$1,950.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$3,321.70 | \$2,571.70 | |
| Eric Simcox | 11669-0065408 | 30 days | \$3,000.00 | \$900.00 | \$3,427.70 | \$1,327.70 | |

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During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

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NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

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- Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

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Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

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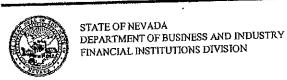
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This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3).

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For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| TO LIVER TO TO | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | TOTAL AMOUNT TO | OVERAGE |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| LOAN NUMBER | • | BE PAID UNDER | 0, |
| | ORIGINAL LOAN | "AMENDED" LOAN | |
| , | AGREEMENT | AGREEMENT | A |
| 11669-0118066 | \$11,527.67 | \$13,628.40 | \$2,100.73 |
| 11669-0116531 | \$2,176.60 | \$2,670.96 | \$494.36 |
| 11669-0118801 | \$3,500.21 | \$4,281.00 | \$780.79 |
| 11669-0117525 | \$5,059.70 | \$6.188.37 | \$1,128.67 |
| 11669-0119797 | \$1,138.33 | \$1,400.78 | \$262.45 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

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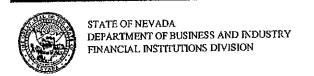
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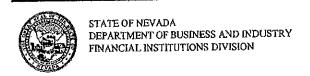
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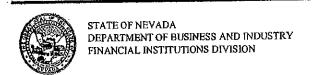
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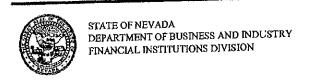
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| As of Exam Date | August 3 | 1, 2014 | • |
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| | Population | Sample Size | Penetration |
| LOAN TYPES: | | | 1 71 |
| Active Loans | 585 | 10 | 1./1 |

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|------------------|-----|----|---------|
| LOAN TYPES: | 505 | 10 | 1.71% |
| Active Loans | 585 | 10 | 2,91% |
| Delinquent Loans | 172 | 5 | |
| | 24 | 5 | 20.83% |
| Closed Loans | 2 | 3 | 100.00% |
| Declined Loans | 3 | | 2.93% |
| Total Loans = | 784 | 23 | 2.9370 |

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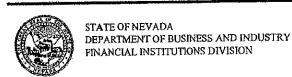
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NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- 2. The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



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- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
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- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
- (b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

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During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the trausaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

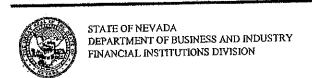
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2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



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|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| D. Wowe | Loan Number | Terin | Stated Income | · Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Borrower's Name Vincent Flores | 12169-0081269 | 30 day | \$1,020.00 | \$600.00 | \$605.96 | \$185.96 |
| | 12169-0103938 | 30 day | \$2,400.00 | \$1,475.00 | \$1,193.30 | \$268.30 |
| Terina Anderson | 12169-0087141 | 30 day | \$1,800.00 | | \$1,159.90 | \$159.90 |
| Angela Lechuga Chanel Bryant | 12169-0087141 | 30 day | \$1,971.86 | | \$1,485.64 | \$643.78 |

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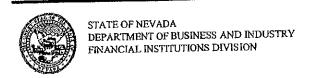
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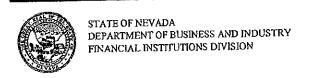
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- 1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or
- 2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").

Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are



trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

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This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3). Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS 604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | ORIGINAL LOAN | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|---------------|---|----------|
| 12169-0118892 | \$771.13 | \$948.92 | \$177.79 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

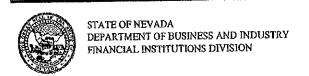
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No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

SUMMARY

Each licensee, upon completion of an examination, is rated "Satisfactory," "Needs Improvement," or "Unsatisfactory," based primarily on compliance with applicable statutes and regulations and the perceived capability of management to achieve and maintain such compliance. The rating of the licensee at this examination is "Needs Improvement."

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CHAPTER 604A

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

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The information contained in this report is based on the books and records of the licensee as licensed under NRS 604A, on statements made to the examiner by the directors, officers, and employees, and on information obtained from other sources believed to be reliable and presumed by the examiner to be correct. It is emphasized that this report is a report of examination, and not an audit of the licensee, and should not be construed as such. This report of examination does not replace nor relieve the principals of their responsibility for performing or providing for adequate audits of the business.

This copy of the report is the property of the Department of Business and Industry of the State of Nevada, and is furnished to the licensee for its confidential use. Under no circumstances shall the licensee, or any of its directors, officers, or employees disclose in any manner the report or any portion thereof to any person or organization not officially connected with the licensee as officer, director, attorney, or auditor unless otherwise directed. Should any legal process document be served calling for the surrender of this report or any portion thereof, the Commissioner of the Financial Institutions Division shall be notified immediately.

Each principal has the responsibility to review the contents of this report.

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Christian Yanez Examiner In Charge

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INTRODUCTION

The annual examination of TitleMax of Nevada, Inc. DBA: TitleMax located at 6450 W. Lake Mead Blvd. Ste. 150., Las Vegas, NV 89106 commenced on August 6, 2014. This business location currently holds a Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 604A license issued by the State of Nevada Financial Institutions Division (FID). The licensee has been granted approval to initiate Title Loans in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

The licensee's website www.titlemax.com is used as the main source of information for different products and services that TitleMax offers. Customers have the ability to complete a loan applications on-line. The application is reviewed by the call center and the customer is referred to one of the stores to complete the loan process.

The licensee currently offers the 120 day loan which allows the customer to make installment payments.

TitleMax currently has 40 locations in the state of Nevada. All the locations were visited during the process of this examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The primary purpose of the examination was to determine compliance with NRS 604A and NAC 604A. The examination consisted of a review of the following: active loans, paid-off loans, delinquent loans, loans that are in the repayment plan and declined loans, surety bonding requirement, completion of the manager's and statutory compliance questionnaires, and a review of the company's policies and procedures and forms used in the operation of the business. Emphasis was placed on compliance with state regulations as well as federal regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B).

The annual report of operations is due to the Financial Institutions Division by April 15th each year. The annual report of operations for year ending 2013 was received on April 8th, 2014 which is in accordance with NRS 604A.750.

The Surety Bond appears to be sufficient. It is currently posted at \$265,000.00 under Bond Number 60088894 with Capitol Indemnity Corporation and is due for renewal on February 15, 2014. The licensee is in compliance with NRS 604A.610.

Internal / External Review

Titlemax did not submit any internal or external reviews. Internal or external reviews were not part of the scope of the current examination.



Financial Audit / CPA

The CPA of the Financial Institutions Division performed an analysis of key financial figures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, which were included in the 2013 Annual Report of Operations. No areas of concern were noted.

Internal Routine and Control

The licensee uses CashWise Financial Services Software for its loan operations. Title loan underwriting process includes:

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- Income and obligations
- Government issued photo identification
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- Proof of insurance
- Current registration
- Affidavit stating the customer's ability to repay the loan

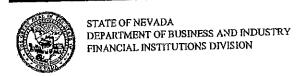
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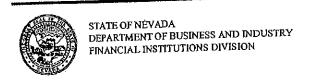
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| | Population | · Sample Size | Penetration |
| LOAN TYPES: | | 10 | 1.51% |
| Active Loans | 664 | 10 | 9.80% |
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| | 11 | 11 | 100.00 |

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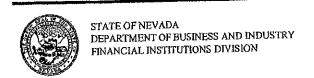
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NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents

- The loan agreement must include, without limitation, the following information:
- c) The date and amount of the loan, amount financed, annual percentage rate, finance charge, total of payments, payment schedule and a description and the amount of every fee charged, regardless of the name given to the fee and regardless of whether the fee is required to be included in the finance charge under the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z;

During the previous examination, the licensee did not indicate on the extension receipts the effective date of the extension. This violation occurred on the 30 day title loans. Since the previous examination the licensee has stopped offering the 30 day title loans. The new product 210 day title loan offered by the licensee does not allow any extensions. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.



NAC 604A.160 Translation of documents written in language other than English.

- 2. A document translated pursuant to this section must be:
- (a) Translated by an interpreter who is:
- (1) Certified by the Court Administrator in accordance with the provisions of NRS 1.510 and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; or NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensec shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.
- (2) Approved in writing by the Division.
- (b) Accompanied by a certificate issued by the interpreter.

During the previous examination, the licensee did not provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter in the State of Nevada. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide a copy of the Certified Court Interpreter for the State of Nevada. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NAC 604A.200 Maintenance of books and records.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.700, a licensee shall maintain for at least 3 years the original or a copy of each account, book, paper, written or electronic record or other document that concerns each loan or other transaction involving a customer in this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 604A.620, those records must be maintained at a place of business in this State designated by the licensee.

During the previous examination, the licensee was unable to provide all the records requested by the examiner in charge. During the current examination the licensee was able to provide all the records requested. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.410 Written loan agreement required; contents.

- 1. Before making any loan to a customer, a licensee shall provide to the customer a written loan agreement which may be kept by the customer and which must be written in:
- (a) English, if the transaction is conducted in English; or
- (b) Spanish, if the transaction is conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee was found to be using loan agreement written in English and receipts written in Spanish. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

NRS 604A.475 Repayment plan

2. If the licensee intends to commence any civil action or process of alternative dispute resolution or repossess a vehicle in an effort to collect a defaulted loan, the licensee shall deliver to the customer, not later than 15 days after the date of default, or not later than 5 days after a check is not paid upon presentment or an electronic transfer of money fails, whichever is later, written notice of the opportunity to enter into a repayment plan. The written notice must:

(a) Be in English, if the initial transaction was conducted in English, or in Spanish, if the initial

transaction was conducted in Spanish.

During the previous examination the licensee had a repayment plan offer in English and the receipt was issued in Spanish. During the current examination, there was no evidence that the repayment plans and the receipts were done in separate languages. Therefore, this violation is deemed rectified.

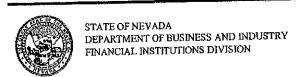
NRS 604A.150 Additional terms defined under federal law; calculation of amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge.

2. For the purposes of this chapter, proper calculation of the amount financed, annual percentage rate and finance charge for a loan must be made in accordance with the Truth in Lending Act and Regulation Z.

During the previous examination the licensee was found understating the APR. During the current examination there was no evidence of such. Therefore, the violation is deemed rectified.

EXIT MEETING

The exit meeting was held telephonically on December 18, 2014. The licensee was represented by Carrie E. Carbone, SVP of Compliance and Product General Counsel, Victoria Newman, Compliance and Corporate Counsel, Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance. The Financial Institutions Division was represented by Christian Yanez, Examiner in charge, Harveen Sekhon, Supervisory Examiner, Christopher Eccles, Attorney, Andrea Bruce, Examiner.



CURRENT VIOLATIONS OF APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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REPEAT VIOLATION

NRS 604A.450 Title loans: Prohibited acts by licensee regarding amount of loan and customer's ability to repay loan. A licensee who makes title loans shall not:

2. Make a title loan without regard to the ability of the customer seeking the title loan to repay the title loan, including the customer's current and expected income, obligations and employment.

The title loans itemized below were underwritten in excess of the customer's disclosed income and obligations, therefore, there was no regard given to the customer's ability to repay the loan:

| N | o Regard to Custor | ner's Abi | lity to Repay | y the Title Loa | n | - |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Borrower's Name | Loan Number | Term | Stated Income | Stated Obligations | Total Amount of Loan(s) | Amount Over |
| Yvonee Quinn | 10069-0095482 | 30 day | \$5,322.00 | \$3,600.00 | \$3472.70 | \$1,750.70 |
| Barba Vanallara | 10069-0098970 | 30 day | \$2,678.00 | \$800.00 | \$1,885.84 | \$7.84 |
| Joseph Glaser | 10069-0093425 | 30 day | \$1,754.50 | \$700.00 | \$1,193.30 | \$138.80 |
| Clay Stampley | 10069-0074080 | 30 day | \$1,700.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$1,188.61 | \$688.61 |

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

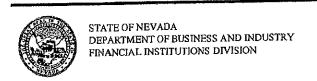
REPEAT VIOLATION

NAC 604A.230 Prohibited acts: Miscellaneous acts.

- 1. A licensee shall not:
- (a) Require or accept a guarantor to a transaction entered into with a customer.

NRS 604A.105 "Title loan" defined.

- 1. "Title Ioan" means a loan made to a customer pursuant to a loan agreement which, under its
- (b) Requires the customer to secure the loan by either:



(1) Giving possession of the title to a vehicle legally owned by the customer to the licensee or any agent, affiliate or subsidiary of the licensee.

NRS 604A.115 "Title to a vehicle" or "title" defined. "Title to a vehicle" or "title" means a certificate of title or ownership issued pursuant to the laws of this State that identifies the legal owner of a vehicle or any similar document issued pursuant to the laws of another jurisdiction.

During the current examination, the licensee provided a policy which states the following:

"The primary borrower must be on the title; however if there is a co-borrower (on the title or not), he must sign the Application and Contract."

During the stores visits, the examiner in charge found several files where the co-borrower was not in the vehicle title. In some instances the co-borrower had a different address and different last name.

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

NRS 604A.445 Title loans: Restrictions on duration of loan and periods of extension. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary:

3. The original term of a title loan may be up to 210 days if:

(a) The loan provides for payments in installments;

- (b) The payments are calculated to ratably and fully amortize the entire amount of principal and interest payable on the loan;
- (c) The loan is not subject to any extension; and
- (d) The loan does not require a balloon payment of any kind.

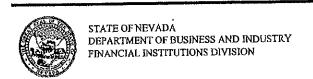
NRS 604A.210 Chapter does not prohibit licensee from offering customer grace period. The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit a licensee from offering a customer a grace period on the repayment of a loan or an extension of a loan, except that the licensee shall not charge the customer:

1. Any fees for granting such a grace period; or

2. Any additional fees or additional interest on the outstanding loan during such a grace period.

Since the previous examination, Titlemax implemented a 210 day title loan product that mirrored NRS 604A.445 (3). The current examination showed that Titlemax's original loan agreement complies with NRS 604A.445(3). The examination also showed that Titlemax markets and offers an amendment to the original loan agreement that violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Onsite visits to Titlemax locations and conversations with store employees showed that Titlemax routinely offers an amendment to the original loan agreement called the "Grace Period Payments Deferment Agreement" (hereinafter, the "Amended Agreement").



Regarding the marketing of the Amended Agreement by store employees, onsite store visits showed that employees routinely encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The employees are trained to encourage customers to participate in the Amended Agreement as soon as the original agreement is issued, and not wait until the loan is in default status. Pre-printed amended agreements were found in customers' files during the onsite store visits.

Moreover, management issued the below marketing statement with the instruction that employees should encourage customers to enter into the Amended Agreement. The marketing statement provides:

"Your contract states that you have 7 payments of <Amortized Loan Payments> which are for every 30 days starting on < Due Date>. By making this payment on time, your loan will be paid in full when you make the final payment. However, for your convenience, you can also make a minimum payment of <Minimum Payment to Extend> during this time. Any principal left at the end of the term will be placed on a 0% payment plan for an additional seven months. Do you have any questions?"

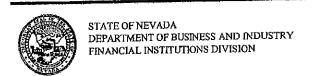
The marketing statement emphasizes lower payments. But, in fact, under the Amended Agreement, the total amount owed by the customer is <u>more</u> than the total amount owed under the original loan agreement, as further detailed below.

The text of the Amended Agreement provides:

"Because this is only an amendment and modification of the loan agreement in which we are only modifying and deferring your payments under the Title Loan Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that all of the terms and conditions of the Title Loan Agreement, including the charging of simple interest and waiver of jury trial and arbitration provision remain in full force and effect."

This statement shows an intent to avoid compliance with NRS 604A.445(3). Under the original loan agreement the customer makes seven fully amortized payments (210 days) to pay the loan off without a balloon payment at the end, thereby complying with all provisions of NRS 604A.445(3). But, under the Amended Agreement, the customer makes 14 payments (390 days), the first seven payments are only interest and last seven payments are principal. Thus, Amended Agreement separates interest and principal from the original amortized schedule of payments, and thereby prolongs the payment of principal until the full interest is paid.

For an example of how customers owe more under the Amended Agreement compared to the original agreement, please see below:



| LOAN NUMBER | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER ORIGINAL LOAN AGREEMENT | TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER "AMENDED" LOAN AGREEMENT | OVERAGE |
|---------------|--|---|------------|
| 10069-0110759 | \$1,819.80 | \$2,233.10 | \$413.30 |
| 10069-0111573 | \$954.74 | \$1,174.85 | \$220.11 |
| 10069-0112535 | \$4,484.79 | \$5,343.30 | \$858.51 |
| 10069-0115237 | \$7,543.99 | \$8,918.73 | \$1,374.74 |
| 10069-0117623 | \$2,889.12 | \$3,415.60 | \$526.48 |
| 10069-0117977 | \$7,870.63 | \$9,377.29 | \$1,506.66 |
| | \$4,366.58 | \$5,340.65 | \$974.07 |
| 10069-0119501 | | \$1,626.71 | \$304.79 |
| 10069-0112498 | \$1,321.92 | \$1,525.91 | \$278.30 |
| 10069-0118853 | \$1,247.61 | · \$1,020.71 | 1 |

Titlemax must comply with NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210. Customers who enter into the Amended Agreement owe <u>more</u> money compared to the original loan with its fully amortized payments. Thus, Titlemax's Amended Agreement violates NRS 604A.445 (3) and NRS 604A.210.

Management's response: Ms. Sarah C. Poff, Director of Compliance, stated that a response will be sent to the Financial Institution Division once the report of examination is received.

FEDERAL

No violations of Federal laws were noted during the examination. However, this examination should not be considered a full compliance examination relative to Federal statutes.

