

# **AN EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTING FOR REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS**

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**Abstract:** Repurchase agreements have been a source of debate in the last few years. In June 2014, the FASB released Transfers and Servicing (Topic 860), Repurchase-to-Maturity Transactions, Repurchase Financings, and Disclosures as an amendment to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification. This paper attempts to discuss the origin of repurchase agreements, financial statement manipulations using repurchase agreements, actions the FASB has taken to modify financial reporting standards to better clarify accounting treatments, and identify potential remaining accounting issues.

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