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1 to the extent that such laws are inconsistent with the provi-
2 sions of this title, or regulations issued thereunder, and then
3 only to the extent of the inconsistency. This title shall not
4 otherwise be construed to annul, alter or affect in any manner
5 the meaning, scope or applicability of the laws of any
6 State, including, but not limited to, laws relating to the
7 types, amounts or rates of charges, or any element or ele-
8 ments of charges, permissible under such laws in connection
9 with the extension or use of credit, nor to extend the appli-
10 cability of such laws to any class of persons or transactions to
11 which such laws would not otherwise apply, nor shall the dis-
12 closure of the annual percentage rate in connection with any
13 consumer credit sale as required by this title be evidence in
14 any action or proceeding that such sale was a loan or any
15 transaction other than a credit sale.

16 “(b) The Board shall by regulation exempt from the
17 requirements of section 203 any class of credit transactions
18 which it determines are subject to State law or regulation
19 substantially similar to the requirements under that section,
20 with adequate provision for enforcement.

21 “(c) Except as specified in section 206, section 203 and
22 the regulations issued thereunder do not affect the validity
23 or enforceability of any contract or obligation under State or
24 Federal law.