

Law no. 448 of 23 December 1998

Provisions for the formation of the one-year and multi-year State budget (Financial law of 2002)

Heading VI

Public debt management tools

45. Provisions and various other rationalization interventions.

32. As an exception to what may be required by current regulations, including those of a special nature, for those mortgages and bonds to be contracted whose burden is borne by the state, of an amount equal to or less than 100 billion lire, the interest rate can not be higher than that indicated periodically, based on market conditions, by the Ministry of the Treasury, Budget and Economic Planning, with appropriate communication to be published in the Official Gazette. For mortgages and bonds of more than 100 billion lire, the maximum applicable interest rate shall be agreed beforehand by the parties involved with the Ministry of the Treasury, Budget and Economic Planning. If the above rules are not applied, any additional cost will be incurred by the same parties. Financial transactions based on the securitization of loans of public authorities arising from government transfers are allowed only for transfers permitted by current regulations and in compliance with the terms and conditions set out in this paragraph (1).

(1) The paragraph is thus amended by article 1, Legislative Decree no. 392 of 27 December 2000, in the text supplemented by the relative law of conversion. In implementation of the provisions of this paragraph see the statement of 9 April 2009.