# Case Study: HLB-Option Advance



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#### **Overview**

#### **Product Details**

Detail	HLB-Option Advance	Classic Advance	
Funding Type	Fixed	Fixed	
Principal Due	ue At Maturity or At Maturi Sooner If Called		
Putable/Callable	Member Sells Option	No	
Discount vs. Comparable Classic	Yes	No	

## Features that Impact Discount vs. Classic

Feature	<u>Less</u> Discount vs. Classic Rate	More Discount vs. Classic Rate	
Final Maturity	Shorter	Longer	
Lockout Period	Longer Lockout	Shorter Lockout	
Call Frequency	Less Often	More Often	
Market Volatility	Lower	Higher	

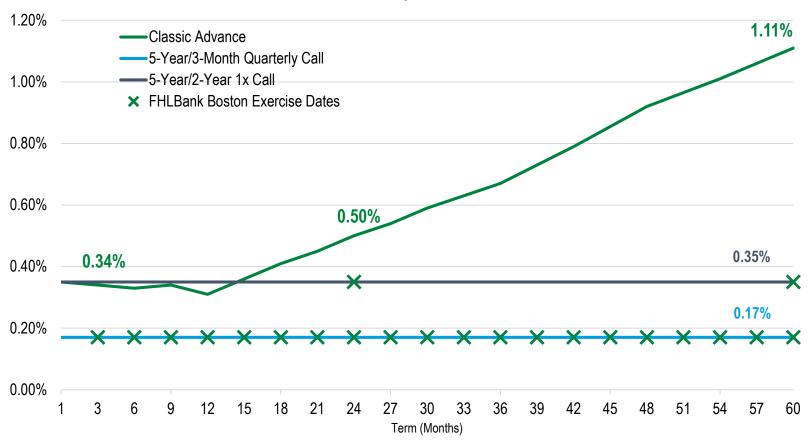
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### **Pricing and Opportunity**

Reduce cost of funds by taking advantage of increased market volatility.

#### **Classic and HLB-Option Advance Rates**

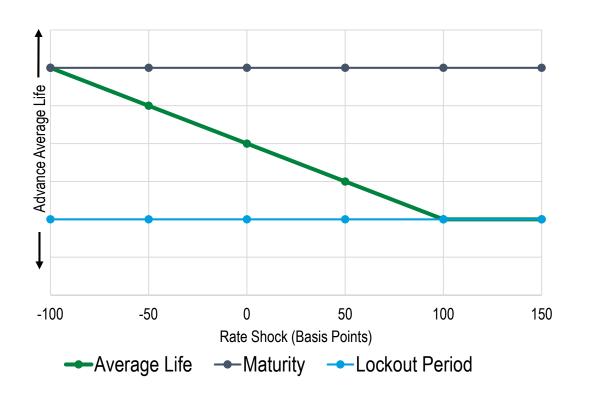


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#### Rate Shock – Average Life Example

Changing rates impact the average expected life of the HLB-Option Advance.

#### **HLB-Option Advance Average Life Example**



- As rates go down, average life extends towards the maturity date
- As rates go up, average life contracts toward the lockout period

Source: FHLBank Boston

#### **Challenges and Opportunities**



#### **Depository Challenges**

- Margin Pressure
- Tepid Loan Growth



#### **Opportunities**

- Reduce Deposit Rates and Replace run-off with HLB-Option Advance
- Fund Investment Activity Growth

#### **Deposit & Investment Strategies**

Ratchet down deposit rates and replace as needed with the HLB-Option Advance

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Old Deposit Rate

O.35%

Proposed New Deposit Rate

Savings

0.35%

-0.20%

Replace Runoff as Needed

5yr/3m HLB-Option Advance 0.17%

Take advantage of a steeper yield curve with higher volatility and purchase investments at wider spreads

Date	MBS Yields	5-year/3-month HLB- Option Advance Rate	
1/20/21	1.11%	0.29%	
2/24/2021	1.47%	0.15%	
Change	0.36%	-0.14%	

Strategy	1/20/2021	2/24/2021	Change
MBS Funded by HLB-Option Advance	0.82%	1.32%	0.50%

Source: Fannie Mae, FHLBank Boston

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## **Performance with Changing Rates**

Understand how the advance fares in changing rate environments.



## RATES <u>RISE</u> HLB-OPTION ADVANCE IS CALLED



## RATES <u>FALL</u> HLB-OPTION ADVANCE EXTENDS

**Advantages** 

Enhance margin through increased asset yield and/or reduced funding cost

Potential for benefits in higher rates/steeper yield curve which can complement balance sheets

**Advantages** 

Maintain deposit pricing discipline

Depending on assets being

Low-cost liability remains

Depending on assets being funded, enhanced spread can counteract margin pressure

Disadvantage

Low-cost funding needs to be replaced

Disadvantage

Typically, extension risk is a more unfavorable outcome, however, this is somewhat mitigated by current low absolute rates

## **Summary**

Maintain or lower cost of funds

Fund investment and loan growth

Take advantage of low relative rates and increased volatility



#### **Thank You**

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