





Credit Union Update Bill

Since their founding, Iowa credit unions have acted as economic engines and provided Iowans with access to affordable financial services. The Iowa Credit Union Act was originally passed in 1925 and since then, the financial needs of Iowans, along with the financial landscape, have changed dramatically.

As credit unions and their members grow and evolve, so should the laws and regulations that govern them. Changes to Chapter 533 are needed to update aspects of credit union board governance and operational processes.

House File 131 would:

-  Assist credit unions with finding quality board members by providing:
 - Flexibility in the number of required board meetings
 - The ability to compensate board members for their service
-  Strengthen the member expulsion process, make clear that abusive behavior to staff is grounds for expulsion, and better protect the privacy of staff and members.
-  Allow credit unions to make corporate investments into financial technology (fintech) companies, subject to approval by the Superintendent of Credit Unions.
-  Update the list of entities from which credit unions can obtain a letter of credit to secure public deposits.

Modern Charter Helps Credit Unions Provide Iowans a Cooperative Choice



\$150 MILLION

saved by members each year through better rates and fewer fees



30%

of consumer loans made by credit unions are less than \$10,000



60%

of business loans made by credit unions are less than \$150,000