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SENATE BILL 489

Short Title: Credit Union Fees and Late Penalty. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Johnson, Sawyer, and Woodard (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE LAWS APPLICABLE TO CREDIT UNIONS BY  
3 MODIFYING FEES PAID BY A NEW CREDIT UNION AND THE LATE PENALTY  
4 FOR A CREDIT UNION'S FAILURE TO MAKE A REPORT OF CONDITION.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 54-109.14 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 54-109.14. Fees.

8 (a) Each credit union subject to supervision and examination by the Administrator of  
9 Credit Unions, including credit unions in process of voluntary liquidation, shall pay into the  
10 office of the Administrator of Credit Unions twice each year, in the months of January and July,  
11 supervision fees, except those credit unions ~~which that~~ liquidate or convert ~~its charter their~~  
12 charters shall pay into the office of the Administrator of Credit Unions, to the date of dissolution,  
13 pro rata supervision fees. Examination fees shall be paid promptly upon receipt of the  
14 examination report and invoice.

15 The Administrator of Credit Unions, subject to the advice and consent of the Credit Union  
16 Commission, shall, on or before December 1 of each year, determine ~~and fix the scale of a~~  
17 schedule for supervisory and examination fees to be assessed during the next calendar year.

18 No credit union ~~shall be is~~ required to pay any supervisory fee until the expiration of 12  
19 months from the date of the issuance of a certificate of incorporation to ~~such the~~ credit union.

20 (a1) When a new credit union is established, it shall pay the following fees:

21 (1) A charter fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).

22 (2) An investigation fee of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

23 (b) Moneys collected under this section shall be deposited with the State Treasurer of  
24 North Carolina and expended, under the terms of the Executive Budget Act, to defray expenses  
25 incurred by the office of the Administrator of Credit Unions in carrying out its supervisory and  
26 auditing functions.

27 (c) All revenue derived from fees ~~will shall~~ be placed into a special account to be  
28 administered solely for the operation of the Credit Union Division."

29 SECTION 2. G.S. 54-109.15 reads as rewritten:

30 "§ 54-109.15. Reports.

31 (a) Credit unions organized under Articles 14A to 14L of this Chapter shall, in January  
32 and in July of each year, make a report of condition to the Administrator of Credit Unions on  
33 forms supplied for that purpose. Additional reports may be required.

34 (b) Any credit union that neglects to make timely semiannual reports as provided in  
35 subsection (a) of this section, or any of the other reports required by the Administrator of Credit  
36 Unions at the time fixed by the Administrator, shall pay a late penalty to the Administrator of



1 ~~Credit Unions of seventy five dollars (\$75.00) for each day the neglect continues. The~~  
2 ~~Administrator, subject to the advice and consent of the Credit Union Commission, shall, on or~~  
3 ~~before December 1 of each year, determine a schedule for the late penalty to be assessed during~~  
4 ~~the next calendar year, with per day penalties beginning at not less than seventy-five dollars~~  
5 ~~(\$75.00) and not exceeding seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00). The Administrator of Credit~~  
6 ~~Unions may revoke the certificate of incorporation and take possession of the assets and business~~  
7 ~~of any credit union failing to pay a penalty imposed under this section after serving notice of at~~  
8 ~~least 15 days upon the credit union of the proposed action. The clear proceeds of penalties~~  
9 ~~collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in~~  
10 ~~accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2."~~

11 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021.