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InfoSight News

What's on your InfoSight Home Page?

Did you know that your League's InfoSight Home Page is an "Active" page that may have specific information just for YOU? AND – that it might change every so often?

For example, at the top of the screen is a space where you may find important alert messages like this:

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

- Pandemic Awareness Update from LSCU

You may see an orange box that says "Compliance Training" – or it might look like this:

Things You Should Know

or this:

News & Views

InfoSight is THE place to find the resources you need. Be sure to visit it often!

Compliance and Advocacy News & Highlights

NCUA Updates 2020 Supervisory Priorities

In a recent [Letter to Credit Unions](#), the NCUA updated its 2020 supervisory priorities to reflect economic conditions that emerged in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as various statutory and regulatory changes that have occurred since March 2020. With these revised priorities, the NCUA is focusing its examination activities on areas that pose elevated risk to the

credit union industry and the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund given the current environment.

Source: NCUA

Court Rules in FTC's Favor Against Student Debt Relief Scammers

The Federal Trade Commission has [announced](#) that the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California has [ruled in favor of the Commission](#) in a case against the operators of a student loan debt relief scheme. The defendants are banned from telemarketing or providing debt relief services.

The court found that the operators, doing business as Federal Direct Group, Mission Hills Federal, The Student Loan Group, and National Secure Processing, falsely claimed that consumers' loans would be forgiven or their payments reduced to a specific amount, and that defendants would take over servicing of consumers' loans and apply most or all of consumers' monthly payments to pay down their student loans. The defendants then charged consumers hundreds to thousands of dollars in illegal upfront fees. The defendants also obtained consumers' student loan credentials to log in and change consumers' contact information, effectively hindering or entirely preventing consumers' loan servicers from communicating with consumers. The defendants' actions violated the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule.

Source: FTC

FinCEN alert on Twitter virtual currency scam

FinCEN has [issued an Alert](#) emphasizing a high-profile scam exploiting Twitter accounts to solicit fraudulent payments denominated in convertible virtual currency (CVC). Cyber threat actors compromised the accounts of public figures, organizations, and financial institutions to solicit payments to CVC accounts, claiming that any CVC sent to a wallet address would be doubled and returned to the sender. Persons who receive one of these solicitations should not send money or provide any personal or confidential information to these individuals without independent verification of authenticity.

The Alert says it is critical that CVC exchanges and other financial institutions identify and report suspicious transactions associated with this type of activity as quickly as possible. For example, a CVC or other financial account may receive a high volume of payments in a short period of time from previously unaffiliated accounts and/or multiple originating CVC addresses.

Source: FinCEN

CFPB Amendment to Regulation E - International Remittance Transfers (Effective 7/21/2020)

The CFPB [amended](#) Regulation E and the official interpretations to allow certain exceptions when using estimates instead of exact amounts for International Remittance Transfers. The previous exception was temporary and set to expire. The safe harbor threshold in the rule is also increasing from 100 to 500. If the credit union has provided 500 or fewer remittance transfers in the previous and current calendar year, they are provided a safe harbor and not considered a remittance transfer provider under the rules.

Source: CFPB

Adding AML language to NDAA would improve AML/CFT framework

The House version of the fiscal year 2021 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) should include legislation to end the abuse of anonymous shell companies and modernize anti-money laundering (AML) requirements and expectations, CUNA and other organizations [wrote](#) to the House Armed Services Committee recently.

“The bill includes critical provisions for law enforcement investigations into organized transnational criminal operations, human trafficking, terrorism financing, sanctions evasion and other unlawful activity that threatens our national security,” the organizations wrote. “The resulting legislation to create a secure beneficial ownership registry of legal entities, held at the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, a bureau of the Department of the Treasury, represents the best path forward to provide law enforcement with needed information to pursue criminals looking to exploit our financial system.

The legislation would also modernize Treasury authorities and certain AML requirements, which will allow financial institutions to better assist law enforcement in its effort to detect and deter financial crime and terrorism.

The Currency Transaction Reporting threshold (CTR) has not been updated since the Bank Secrecy Act was enacted in 1970, and the amendment would index the CTR threshold for inflation every five years and further study the impact of Suspicious Activity Reports.

Source: CUNA

CFPB issues annual Reg Z inflation adjustments

The CFPB has issued a [final rule](#) revising certain dollar amounts in Regulation Z, based on the annual percentage change reflected in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) in effect on June 1, 2020. These changes will not be effective until January 1, 2021.

Source: CFPB

CUNA's Advocacy Resources:

- [This week in Washington](#)
- [CUNA Advocacy Issues - COVID-19](#)

Compliance Calendar

- July 26th, 2020: **5300 Call Report Due to NCUA**
- September 7th, 2020: Labor Day - Federal Holiday
- October 12th, 2020: Columbus Day - Federal Holiday
- October 25th, 2020: **5300 Call Report Due to NCUA**
- November 11th, 2020: Veterans Day - Federal Holiday