

2025 Key Federal Banking Policy Updates Through May 16, 2025



Accomplished

- *Overdraft*: Legislation nullifying the misguided Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) Overdraft Rule passed Congress and [was signed](#) by President Trump.
- *Credit Card Late Fees*: Pressured by litigation from the banking-industry, the U.S. District Court [vacated CFPB's rule](#) – from the Biden Administration - on credit card late fees.

In Progress

- *Section 1071*: [CFPB announced](#) – under the Trump Administration – they will not be prioritizing enforcement of and plan to initiate new rulemaking on the over-reaching small business lending data collection and reporting rule.
 - Legislation has been introduced [in the Senate and House](#) to permanently repeal that component of the Dodd-Frank Act.
- *Taxes*: The most recent proposal from U.S. House Republicans includes important provisions to provide some tax relief on income earned from interest related to agriculture and rural loans.
 - However, the current proposal does not change credit unions' tax-exempt status.
- *Community Reinvestment Act (CRA)*: Federal Regulatory Agencies have pulled back the previous Administration's proposed [CRA modernization rule](#).
 - The banking industry continues to advocate for a more balanced proposal – one that would apply the CRA to nonbank lenders and encourages lending to low-and moderate-income individuals and communities.
- *Stablecoin*: Legislation addressing stablecoins' regulatory treatment and capital, liquidity and consumer protection standards is continuing to receive input from the industry while moving through Congress.
- *Reputational Risk*: Federal Regulatory Agencies under President Trump have removed existing guidance and legislation has also been introduced in Congress ([S875 – FIRM Act](#)) that would permanently remove reputational risk as a component in bank supervision.

Pending

- *Section 1033*: Litigation has slowed implementation of [CFPB's Section 1033](#) "open banking" rule on data sharing and access. The CFPB has also indicated its plans to pull back and reconsider the rule.
- *SAFER Banking Act*: Legislation will be reintroduced this Congress, which if enacted, would provide clarity to banks on serving cannabis-related customers.
- *Homebuyer Privacy*: Legislation has been introduced to curb the abusive use of mortgage credit "triggers leads." VBA/ABA encourages bankers to [send messages](#) to their federal legislators urging their support of these bills.
- *Interchange*: The banking industry continues to oppose any [legislative and regulatory effort](#) to price control or place restrictions on interchange fees.
- *Credit Card Rate Cap*: VBA [opposes](#) the 10 Percent Credit Card Interest Rate Cap Act, which would impose government price controls and severely restrict credit for everyday consumers.