

KIM REYNOLDS GOVERNOR

April 18, 2025

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 857, an Act relating to solicitation by a financial institution using prescreened trigger lead information from a consumer report.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely.

Kim Reynolds

Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



House File 857

AN ACT

RELATING TO SOLICITATION BY A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION USING PRESCREENED TRIGGER LEAD INFORMATION FROM A CONSUMER REPORT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **525.1** Financial institutions — unfair practices.

- 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
- a. "Consumer report" means the same as defined in the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. §1681a.
- b. "Financial institution" means the same as defined in section 527.2, and includes a mortgage broker licensed under chapter 535B, a lender of mortgage loans or consumer loans, and any other person that engages in the business of lending money in the state.

- c. (1) "Mortgage trigger lead" means a consumer report obtained pursuant to the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. §1681b, where the issuance of the consumer report is triggered by an inquiry made with a consumer reporting agency in response to an application for credit secured by real property.
- (2) "Mortgage trigger lead" does not include a consumer report on an applicant obtained by a financial institution with which the applicant has initially applied for credit, or a financial institution that holds or services an existing extension of credit of the applicant who is the subject of the consumer report.
- 2. A financial institution shall not use an unfair or deceptive practice when using prescreened mortgage trigger lead information derived from a consumer report to solicit a consumer who has applied for a loan with a different financial institution. A financial institution shall be deemed to have engaged in an unfair or deceptive practice if the financial institution does any of the following:
- a. In an initial phase of a solicitation from a lender or loan broker, the financial institution fails to clearly and conspicuously state that the financial institution is not affiliated with the financial institution with which the consumer initially applied.
- b. In an initial solicitation, the financial institution fails to conform to state and federal law relating to prescreened solicitations using consumer reports, including but not limited to the requirement to make a firm offer of credit to the consumer.
- c. The financial institution uses information regarding a consumer who has opted out of prescreened offers of credit or who has placed the consumer's contact information on a federal do-not-call registry.
- d. The financial institution solicits a consumer with an offer of certain rates, terms, or costs, but subsequently changes the rates, terms, or costs to the detriment of the consumer.
- 3. A violation of this section shall constitute an unlawful practice under section 714.16.

Sec. 2. Section 714.16, subsection 2, Code 2025, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

 $\underline{\text{NEW PARAGRAPH}}$. r. It shall be an unlawful practice for a financial institution to violate section 525.1.

PAT GRASSLEY

Speaker of the House

AMY SINCLAIR

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 857, Ninety-first General Assembly.

MEZHAN NELSON

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved , 2025

KIM REYNOLDS

Governor