# Virginia's Credit Unions

**\$1.7 Billion in Direct Financial Benefits for Virginia-based Credit Unions' Member-Owners** 

## \$21.6 Billion

in Economic Impact Generated **By Virginia's Credit Unions** 

Credit Unions are not-for-profit, member-owned financial cooperatives created to provide provident credit, promote thrift and build financial well-being for their members.

## **Our Legislation**

#### HB 1727 - Credit Unions: Virtual Currency **Custody Services**

Patron: Del. Chris Head (R-17th)

- Allow credit unions to secure private keys for their members' digital assets.
- Similar to a safety deposit box member maintains control; CU simply secures it.
- Risk assessment, insurance and vendor due diligence controls.
- Parity with federally chartered CUs and banks.
- Reduce member's exposure to centralized exchange insolvency.

## **Credit Unions: Different By Design!**

#### As member-owned, not-for-profit cooperatives, credit unions:

- Offer better rates on loans and savings products compared to for-profit banks.
- Have fewer and less-costly fees.
- Provide financial education and other beneficial services that put member-owners first!

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**Virginia's Credit Unions: Fast Facts** 

- 105 credit unions based in Virginia
  - 18 million member-owners nationwide
- - \$240 billion in total assets
- \$167 billion in total loans & leases
- 34,048 employees
- - 881 branch locations nationwide

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