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RegPulse Newsletter

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Introduction

The **Deloitte Center for Regulatory Strategy (DCRS)** is a source of critical insight and advice, designed to help clients anticipate change and respond with confidence to the strategic and aggregate impact of national and international regulatory policy. The **RegPulse Newsletter** is a bi-weekly distribution that features the latest regulatory news and issues that are impacting the financial services and fintech industries.

For a deeper analysis and discussion of regulatory developments, make sure to check out our [RegPulse blog series](#), which are a collection of blogs that are contributed by our powerful team of former regulators, industry specialists, and trusted business advisors.

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EMEA regulatory developments

Key:

Cross-sector

The development covers multiple financial services sub-sectors or other industries.

FBO

The development pertains to or affects foreign banking organizations (FBOs).

Blog/POV

The development has been covered or is currently being analyzed by our team to be produced into either a RegPulse blog or broader point of view (POV). For more information, please refer to the **featured DCRS content** section.



US regulatory developments

Congress

Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion hosts hearing on economic inclusion for the LGBTQ+ community

On November 9, 2021, Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion [hosted a hearing](#) entitled 'There's No Pride in Prejudice: Eliminating Barriers to Full Economic Inclusion for the LGBTQ+ Community'.

Source: US House Committee on Financial Services

Congress passes bill on infrastructure spending; bill moves to President's desk

On November 8, 2021, infrastructure spending bill (H.R.3684 - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) was [presented](#) to US president. The bill was approved by the US House of Representatives on November 5, 2021.

Source: US Congress

Senate Banking and Housing Committee advances key Biden administration nominees

On November 3, 2021, US Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Chairman of the US Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [led the Committee](#) in advancing four Biden Administration nominees.

Source: US Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions hosts hearing on cyber threats, consumer data, and the financial system

On November 3, 2021, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions [hosted a hearing](#) entitled 'Cyber Threats, Consumer Data, and the Financial System'.

Source: US House Committee on Financial Services

Senate Banking Committee hosts hearing on Libor transition

On November 2, 2021, the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs [hosted](#) a hearing entitled, 'The Libor Transition: Protecting Consumers and Investors'.

Source: US Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Task Force on Financial Technology hosts a hearing on investigating risks and benefits of BNPL and other emerging fintech cash flow products

On November 2, 2021, Task Force on Financial Technology [hosted a hearing](#) entitled 'Buy Now, Pay More Later? Investigating Risks and Benefits of BNPL and Other Emerging Fintech Cash Flow Products'.

Source: US House Committee on Financial Services

Banking & Capital Markets

FinCEN releases updated advisory on ransomware and the use of the financial system to facilitate ransom payments

On November 8, 2021, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) [released an update](#) to its 2020 advisory on ransomware and the use of the financial system to facilitate ransom payments. This updated advisory is in response to the increase of ransomware attacks in recent months against critical US infrastructure.

Source: Financial Crimes Enforcement Network

FRB publishes Financial Stability Report

On November 8, 2021, Federal Reserve Board (FRB) [published](#) Financial Stability Report, summarizing FRB's framework for assessing the resilience of the US financial system and presents the Board's current assessment.

Source: Federal Reserve Board

Randal K. Quarles submits resignation as a member of the FRB

On November 8, 2021, Randal K. Quarles [submitted his](#)

[resignation](#) as a member of the FRB, effective at the end of December. He served as the FRB's first Vice Chair for Supervision and has been a member of the FRB since October 13, 2017

Source: Federal Reserve Board

Vice Chair Clarida delivers speech on inflation targeting and prospects for US monetary policy

On November 8, 2021, Vice Chair Clarida [delivered a speech](#) entitled "Flexible Average Inflation Targeting and Prospects for US Monetary Policy".

Source: Federal Reserve Board

Kenneth C. Montgomery delivers speech on risk of high leverage on the economy

On November 8, 2021, Interim President & CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston [delivered a speech](#) entitled "The Importance of Examining the Risks of High Leverage to the Real Economy"

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

US regulatory developments (continued)

Banking & Capital Markets (continued)

SEC appoints new Chairperson and Board Members to the PCAOB

On November 8, 2021, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) [appointed](#) Erica Y. Williams as Chairperson and Christina Ho, Kara M. Stein, and Anthony C. Thompson as Board members of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB)

Source: *Securities and Exchange Commission*

Inter-Agency Working Group releases staff progress report that reviews potential policies for bolstering the resilience of Treasury markets

On November 8, 2021, the Inter-Agency Working Group on Treasury Market Surveillance (IAWG) [issued a staff progress report](#) that evaluates recent disruptions and potential reforms in the US Treasury market. The progress report identified principles to guide public policy in the US Treasury market, the deepest and most liquid government securities market in the world.

Source: *Commodity Futures Trading Commission*

Acting Comptroller discusses climate change risk

On November 8, 2021, the Acting Comptroller of the Currency Michael J. Hsu [discussed](#) climate change risk at Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) Headquarters. His remarks highlighted five questions that large bank boards of directors should ask to promote and accelerate improvements in climate risk management practices at their banks.

Source: *Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*

Acting Comptroller discusses regulatory perimeter

On November 3, 2021, the Acting Comptroller of the Currency Michael J. Hsu [discussed](#) clarifying and modernizing the bank regulatory perimeter at the American Fintech Council's Fintech Policy Summit 2021.

Source: *Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*

FDIC issues list of banks examined for CRA compliance

On November 3, 2021, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) [issued a list](#) of state nonmember banks recently evaluated for compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA).

Source: *Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation*

Acting Superintendent of Financial Services announces new proposed regulation to implement an amendment to NY CRA in support of minority- & women-owned businesses

On November 3, 2021, Acting Superintendent of Financial Services Adrienne A. Harris [announced a new proposed regulation](#) that will allow the New York State Department of Financial Services (DFS) to evaluate how well New York regulated banking institutions are serving their communities under an enacted amendment New York State's Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) with respect to minority- and women-owned businesses.

Source: *New York Department of Financial Services*

Basel Committee supports the establishment of the International Sustainability Standards Board

On November 3, 2021, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision [welcomed](#) announcement by the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Foundation about establishment of the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) to develop global standards to improve the consistency, comparability and reliability of sustainability reporting.

Source: *Bank for International Settlements*

OCC releases CRA evaluations for 15 National Banks and Federal Savings Associations

On November 2, 2021, the OCC [released](#) a list of Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) performance evaluations that became public during the period of October 1 through October 31, 2021.

Source: *Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*

FDIC announces new office of minority and community development banking to support mission-driven banks

On November 2, 2021, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) Chairman Jelena McWilliams [announced](#) the creation of a new office to support the agency's ongoing strategic and direct engagement with Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs), Community Development Financial Institution banks (CDFIs), and other mission-driven banks.

Source: *Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation*

Governor Hochul signs legislation expanding New York Community Reinvestment Act to non-depository mortgage lenders

On November 1, 2021, Governor Kathy Hochul [signed](#) legislation (S.5246-A/A.6247-A) to ensure equal access to credit by expanding the New York Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) to include non-depository lenders.

Source: *New York Department of Financial Services*

US regulatory developments (continued)

Investment Management

SEC approves PCAOB rule to establish a framework for determinations under the Holding Foreign Companies Accountable Act

On November 5, 2021, the SEC [approved](#) the Rule 6100, Board Determinations Under the Holding Foreign Companies Accountable Act. The rule established a framework for the PCAOB's determinations under the Holding Foreign Companies Accountable Act (HFCAA) that the PCAOB is unable to inspect completely registered public accounting firms located in a foreign jurisdiction because of a position taken by an authority in that jurisdiction.

Source: *Securities and Exchange Commission*

SEC publishes amendments to electronic filing requirements

On November 4, 2021, the SEC [published](#) proposed amendments to update electronic filing requirements, which are intended to promote efficiency, transparency, and operational resiliency by modernizing the manner in which information is submitted to the Commission and disclosed.

Source: *Securities and Exchange Commission*

Consumer Protection

CFPB publishes notice and request for comment regarding its inquiry into big tech payment platforms

On November 5, 2021, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) [published](#) in Federal Register a notice and request for comment from any interested parties regarding the agency's inquiry into big tech payment platforms.

Source: *US Government Publishing Office*

CFPB releases a research finding that credit report disputes far more common in majority Black and Hispanic neighborhoods

On November 2, 2021, the CFPB [released a research finding](#) that consumers in majority Black and Hispanic neighborhoods, as well as younger consumers, are far more likely to have disputes appear on their credit reports.

Source: *Consumer Financial Protection Bureau*

Insurance

NAIC report shows 2020 premiums grew 29.1% as cyberthreats rise

On November 8, 2021, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) [released](#) its Cyber Insurance report, utilizing data found within the Cyber Supplement, as well as alien surplus lines data collected

through the NAIC's International Insurance Department.

Source: *National Association of Insurance Commissioners*

Fintech

President's Working Group on Financial Markets releases report and recommendations on stablecoins

On November 1, 2021, the President's Working Group on Financial Markets (PWG), joined by the FDIC and the OCC, [released a report](#) on stablecoins.

Source: *US Department of the Treasury*

EMEA regulatory developments

Banking & Capital Markets

- **Bank of England (BOE)** – Bank of England published its approach to greening the Corporate Bond Purchase Scheme. Read more [here](#).
- **International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)** – IOSCO highlighted greenwashing risk and set out some recommendations for supervisors/regulators of asset managers on practices, policies, and procedures on sustainability. Read more [here](#).
- **Financial Stability Board (FSB)** – FSB published a progress report to the G20 on work to enhance resilience in non-bank financial intermediation . Read more [here](#).

For more information in regard to EMEA regulatory developments, please visit the [FS Risk and Regulation Monthly](#) page.

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