# **Illinois Credit Unions: The Real Story**

Tax-paying Illinois banks compete head to head with tax-exempt credit unions. Although they portray themselves as mom and pop shops for people of modest means, today credit unions are a \$2.2 trillion industry, with many indistinguishable from banks. The BIG difference—they don't pay federal income taxes, depriving the U.S. Treasury of nearly \$3.1 billion every year.

### Who Pays the Taxes?

Taxes Paid in 2022

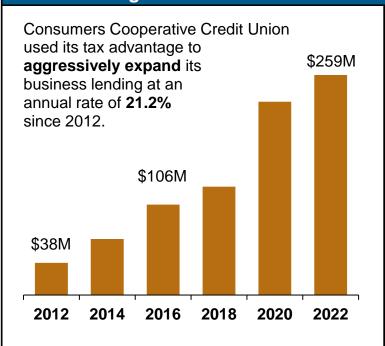
IL Credit Unions \$0

IL Banks \$1,645,264,000

Includes all applicable federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes

Alliant Credit Union would have paid \$35.1 million in taxes during 2022, had it paid its fair share.

#### Indistinguishable from Banks



# No "Common Bond" Among Members

Credit Union 1, with over \$1.3 billion in deposits, has an ever expanding field of membership—requiring only a one time, \$5 membership fee and a \$5 initial account deposit

## **Larger than Most Illinois Banks**

Alliant Credit Union, with \$18.7 billion in assets, is the largest credit union in Illinois, larger than 99% of Illinois-headquartered banks.

# Illinois Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

