

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
Form 8-K
September 19, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): September 18, 2018

FBL Financial Group, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Iowa (State of incorporation)	1-11917 (Commission File Number)	42-1411715 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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5400 University Avenue, West Des Moines, Iowa (Address of principal executive offices) (515) 225-5400 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	50266-5997 (Zip Code)
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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events

During the third quarter of 2018, FBL Financial Group, Inc. (the Company) will voluntarily change its accounting policy for low income housing tax credit (LIHTC) investments. The Company will begin using the proportional amortization method of accounting for its LIHTC investments rather than the equity method of accounting. While both methods of accounting are acceptable under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the Company believes the proportional amortization method is preferable because it more fairly represents the economics of LIHTC investments, which are made primarily for the purpose of receiving tax credits and other tax benefits. In addition, this method aligns to the method typically used by companies within the Company's industry which have similar investments.

While this accounting change impacts the timing of profit and loss recognition, it does not impact the ultimate profitability of the underlying LIHTC investments.

With this filing, selected unaudited financial information is provided to reflect adjustments due to this accounting policy change. This information is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	<u>Selected Unaudited Adjusted Financial Information</u>

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 18, 2018

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

By /s/ Donald J. Seibel
Donald J. Seibel
Chief Financial Officer