

AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING CO

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

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 3)\***

American Equity Investment Life Holding Company  
(Name of Issuer)  
Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)  
025676206  
(CUSIP Number)  
December 31, 2007  
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

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CUSIP No. 025676206

**1** NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
FBL Financial Group, Inc.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**2**  
(a)   
(b)

**3** SEC USE ONLY

**4** CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Iowa

**5** SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 1,524,720

**6** SHARED VOTING POWER  
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

**7** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,524,720

**8** SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH: 0

**9** AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,524,720

**10** CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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**11** PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

2.7%

**12** TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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**STATEMENT CONTAINING INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SCHEDULE 13G**

**ITEM 1.**

**(a) Name of Issuer**

The name of the issuer is American Equity Investment Life Holding Company (the Company).

**(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices**

The Company's principal executive offices are located at: 5000 Westown Parkway, Suite 440, West Des Moines, IA 50266.

**ITEM 2.**

**(a) Name of Person Filing**

This Statement is filed by:

FBL Financial Group, Inc., an Iowa Corporation that is the parent holding company of Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, an Iowa Corporation, that is the owner of the securities described in this filing.

**(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence**

5400 University Avenue, West Des Moines, IA 50266

**(c) Citizenship**

Iowa

**(d) Title of Class of Securities**

Common Stock

**(e) CUSIP Number**

025676206

**ITEM 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:**

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c)  Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d)  Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);

- (g)    ý       A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h)    o       A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i)    o       A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j)    o       Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

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**ITEM 4. Ownership.**

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: **Directly owned 1,524,720 shares**
- (b) Percent of class: **2.7%**
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: **1,524,720**
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: **0**
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: **1,524,720**
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: **0**

**ITEM 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following:

**ITEM 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person**

Not applicable

**ITEM 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company**

Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company; IC

**ITEM 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group**

Not Applicable

**ITEM 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group**

Not Applicable

**ITEM 10. Certification**

Not Applicable

**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 14, 2008

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ James P. Brannen

James P. Brannen

Title: Chief Financial Officer, Chief

Administrative Officer and Treasurer

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