

June 6, 2025

The Honorable Mike Crapo, Chairman Senate Committee on Finance 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Ron Wyden, Ranking Member Senate Committee on Finance 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Crapo and Ranking Member Wyden:

Representing the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) and state CPA societies in 53 states and jurisdictions, we write to you today to urge you to retain the ability for all pass-through entities to deduct state and local taxes at the entity level. The House-passed *One Big Beautiful Bill Act* eliminates this deduction for specified service trades or businesses (SSTBs), which includes accountants, doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other professionals. This will result in a tax increase for accountants throughout the country.

The pass-through entity tax (PTET) deduction of state and local taxes has mostly provided for parity between corporations and pass-throughs. The House bill targets professionals simply based upon their chosen occupation. We believe that this is discriminatory and unfair. At a time in which tax reform is focused on job creation and economic growth, this will have the opposite impact. In fact, an analysis by the Tax Foundation shows that the House bill language eliminating the deduction for SSTBs will reduce GDP by 0.2 percent.

If this provision is signed into law, CPAs across the country will be worse off than they were with the passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act in 2017. The House-passed *One Big Beautiful Bill Act* does not provide simplicity nor fairness to millions of pass-through businesses that are job creators in our local towns and cities. As you consider tax reform in the Senate, we urge you to retain the current ability for pass-throughs to deduct entity-level state and local taxes.



Sincerely,

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