

# 2025 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

# **LEAD**

We either work to have legislation introduced or we work with others (legislators, agencies, coalitions/partners) to have it introduced, and we actively support their efforts.

- Support workforce development funding and initiatives that will benefit the CPA talent pipeline.
- ★ Introduce legislation to exempt nonprofits that were negatively affected from certain sales tax by legislative changes in the 2023 session.
- ★ Introduce legislation allowing additional pathways to licensure.

# **ENGAGE**

We adhere to our advocacy policies in determining the level of our engagement and may support, oppose or remain neutral on a bill or issue. We may provide members' expertise in the form of testimony or in meeting with influencers.

- ★ Oppose licensure legislation that is not in the public interest and would be detrimental to CPAs' ability to provide professional services to the organizations and clients whom they represent.
- Assess recommendations of the SALT Review Task Force for tax changes and support sound legislation.

# **MONITOR**

We watch legislation and issues, then assess risk of escalating our involvement and determine if/when we should take action or weigh in based on our advocacy policies.

- Monitor at federal level and introduce in Indiana if applicable: Allow accountancy to be considered a STEM subject under technology.
- Monitor cybersecurity and AI bills with negative implications for CPAs and business in Indiana.
- Monitor Indiana Department of Revenue and Professional Licensing Agency's legislative initiatives, and support efforts benefiting taxpayers and licensees in Indiana.
  - Monitor and consider support for licensure legislation proposed by PLA to modernize and enhance the agency, promote uniformity, and streamline licensure and compliance, that is not detrimental to CPAs
  - Alternative partner structures/ private equity ownership of firms
  - Legislation regarding tax implications for multistate employees
  - Business personal property tax threshold
  - ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) reporting

## **HORIZON**

These are emerging issues of import to the profession that we are working on, but they may have a longer timeline than one or two legislative sessions.

Introduce legislation to automatically conform with the Internal Revenue Code absent 30-day dissension from the General Assembly to decouple from any provisions.