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Topic: Board Meeting

Time: May 14, 2026 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Texas State Board of Public Accountancy Meeting Schedule

COMMITTEE	May 13, 2026			May 14, 2026
	Licensing	Rules	Executive	Board
TIME	10:00 AM	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	10:00 AM
PLACE	HYBRID	HYBRID	HYBRID	HYBRID
LIAISON	BROOKS	HILL	TREACY/WHITTENTON/ESTRADA	TREACY

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COATES ¹		✓		✓
CLARK ²	✓			
CRAWFORD ¹				✓
ESPINOZA-RILEY ¹	✓		✓	✓
FOSHEE ¹	✓	✓	✓	✓
GARCIA ¹		✓	✓	✓
HOLUP ¹				✓
KABELL ²	✓			
MERKET ¹	✓			✓
NEUHOFF ¹	✓ (chair)			✓
PENÁ ²	✓			
OMORUYI ¹				✓
SMITH ¹		✓	✓ (chair)	✓ (chair)
STEPHENS ²	✓			
TRIPPON ¹				✓
VALLÉS-PANKRATZ ¹				✓
WARREN ¹		✓ (chair)	✓	✓

¹ Board Member

² Advisory Member

**TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
MAY 14, 2026**

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	2. FY 2026 Budget Amendment	
	D. Proposed Budget Plan for FY 2027	
	E. Update on the Legacy System Modernization Project	
	F. Review of NASBA/AICPA matters	
	1. Western Regional Meeting, June 23 - 25, 2026 – Park City, UT	
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Agenda Item I
Call to Order and Roll Call
May 14, 2026

- I. **DISCUSSION:** The meeting will be called to order, *en banc*, by video conference or in-person at 10:00 a.m., May 14, 2026 in the Board's office, at which time the roll will be called.

RECOMMENDATION: None required.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None required.

Agenda Item II
Public Comment
May 14, 2026

- I. **DISCUSSION:** Persons wishing to offer public comment to the Board will be given an opportunity to do so at this time.

RECOMMENDATION: None required.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None required.

Agenda Item III
Approval of the March 12, 2026 Minutes
May 14, 2026

- I. **DISCUSSION:** The enclosed minutes of the March 12, 2026 Board meeting were kept in accordance with established procedures and reflect the business conducted.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommends that the minutes of the March 12, 2026 Board meeting be approved as submitted/amended.

SUGGESTED MOTION: That the minutes of the March 12, 2026 Board meeting be approved as submitted/amended.

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy

March 12, 2026

The Texas State Board of Public Accountancy met by video conference and in-person from 10:02 a.m. until 10:54 a.m. on March 12, 2026. A notice of this meeting containing all items on the agenda was filed in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code with the Office of the Secretary of State at 10:25 a.m. on March 4, 2026. (TRD #2026-0001257) (ATTACHMENT 1)

Board Members Present

Susan I. Adams, CPA
Executive Member-at-Large
Christopher "Grant" Coates
Kimberly D. "Kim" Crawford, CPA
Olivia Espinoza-Riley, CPA
Treasurer
Renee D. Foshee, Esq., CPA
Secretary
Ray R. Garcia, CPA
Executive Member-at-Large
Jill A. Holup
Sherri B. Merket
Thomas M. Neuhoff, CPA
Kenneth E. Omoruyi, CPA
Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Presiding Officer
James M. "Jim" Trippon, CPA
Shelia M. Vallés-Pankratz
Susan M. Warren, CPA
Assistant Presiding Officer

Others Present

Paul Arredondo
Charlie Bertero
Kenneth Besserman, Esq.
Michael Martinez
Jodi Ann Ray
Larry G. Stephens, CPA,
JD/LL.M
Calixto Trepovicht,
Texas State Trooper
Mark Vane

Staff Present

Paulette Beiter, Esq.
Marissa Brooks
Daniel Estrada, CPA
Rhonda Fellner
J. Franco
Ann Hallam, PMP
J. Randel Hill, Esq.
Donna Hiller
Christian Jones
John Moore, Esq.
Brian O'Neal
Julie Prien
Marisa Rios
William Treacy
Suzy Whittenton, CPA

- I. Ms. Warren, Assistant Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Mr. Treacy called roll and declared a quorum.
- II. After a call for the opportunity for public comments, Paul Arredondo made public comments. There was no deliberation and no vote.
- III. Ms. Espinoza-Riley moved to approve the January 22, 2026 Board meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Neuhoff seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- IV. Ms. Smith, Presiding Officer, reported on the March 11, 2026 (video conference and in-person) Executive Committee meeting.

Members Present

Olivia Espinoza-Riley, CPA
Renee D. Foshee, Esq., CPA
(In-person)
Ray R. Garcia, CPA
Susan M. Warren, CPA
(In-person)

Members Absent

Susan I. Adams, CPA
Jeannette P. Smith, CPA

Others Present

Kenneth Besserman, Esq.
Michael Martinez
Thomas Neuhoff, CPA
Jodi Ann Ray

Staff Present

Marissa Brooks
Daniel Estrada, CPA
J. Franco
J. Randel Hill, Esq.
Donna Hiller
Chris Jones
John Moore, Esq.
Brian O'Neal
Marisa Rios
Lori Shaw
William Treacy
Suzy Whittenton, CPA

- A. Ms. Espinoza-Riley, Treasurer, presented the Board's financial statements. Mr. Trippon moved to approve the Board's financial statements as presented. Mr. Coates seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- B. Ms. Warren, Assistant Presiding Officer and Ad hoc Computer Utilization Committee Chair, reported that the legacy system modernization project team and Board staff has submitted the Request for Offer

(RFO) to the comptroller's Contract Advisory Team for review. This step is required before posting the RFO on the electronic state business daily.

C. Ms. Smith reported on the following NASBA/AICPA matters:

1. 31st Annual Conference of the Board of Accountancy Legal Counsel, March 24 – 26, 2026 – Austin TX.
2. 44th Annual Conference for Executive Directors & Board Staff, March 24 – 26, 2026 – Austin TX.
3. Western Regional Meeting, June 23 – 25, 2026 – Park City, UT.
4. 119th NASBA Annual Meeting, October 25 – 28, 2026 – Litchfield Park, AZ.

D. Mr. Treacy reported on general correspondence coming to the Board's attention.

V. Ms. Warren, Rules Committee Chair, reported on the March 11, 2026 (video conference and in-person) Rules Committee meeting.

Members Present

Christopher "Grant" Coates
Renee D. Foshee, Esq., CPA
Ray R. Garcia, CPA
Susan M. Warren, CPA
Rules Chair

Member Absent

Jeannette P. Smith, CPA

Others Present

Kenneth Besserman, Esq.
Thomas Neuhoff, CPA
Jodi Ann Ray

Staff Present

Paulette Beiter, Esq.
Marissa Brooks
Daniel Estrada, CPA
J. Randel Hill, Esq.
Donna Hiller
Chris Jones
John Moore, Esq.
Brian O'Neal
Marisa Rios
Lori Shaw
William Treacy
Suzy Whittenton, CPA

A. Ms. Merket moved to authorize the executive director to publish proposed amendments to *Rules 511.22, 511.26, 511.51, 511.53, 511.54, 511.56, 511.57, 511.58, 511.59, 511.72, 511.73, 511.77, 511.80, 511.82, 511.83, 511.87, 511.94, 511.97, 511.107, 511.122, 511.123, 511.124, 511.161, 511.163, and 511.164* in the *Texas Register* for public comment; and to readopt *Rules 511.11, 511.21, 511.27, 511.29, 511.52, 511.70, 511.76, 511.91, 511.92, 511.93, 511.95, 511.96, 511.103, 511.104, 511.105, 511.106, 511.121, and 511.162* pursuant to *Section 2001.039 of the Texas Government Code*. Ms. Crawford seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (ATTACHMENT 2)

B. Next scheduled meeting May 13, 2026, 1:30 pm.

VI. Mr. Garcia, AICPA Exposure Draft Task Force Committee Chair, reported on the February 4, 2026 (video conference and in-person) AICPA Exposure Draft Task Force Committee meeting.

Members Present

Susan I. Adams, CPA
Ray Garcia, CPA
Committee Chair
Susan M. Warren, CPA

Others Present

Kenneth Besserman, Esq.
Joan Farris, CPA
Thomas Neuhoff, CPA
Dipesh Patel, CPA
Jodi Ann Ray
Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Patty Wyatt
Summer Young, CPA

Staff Present

Marissa Brooks
J. Franco
Ann Hallam, PMP
J. Randel Hill, Esq.
Chris Jones
John Moore, Esq.
William Treacy

- Mr. Garcia reported that the task force reviewed AICPA's Exposure Draft and determined that additional analysis would be conducted prior to formulating comments. Mr. Garcia informed the Board that the task force will meet to draft a response letter for the Board's consideration before submission to the AICPA. The letter will be presented for ratification at the next Board meeting. The Board authorized the task force to submit the response letter prior to the next meeting in order to meet the AICPA's stated

deadline. Board members can submit comments to the task force to be included in the next scheduled meeting on March 23, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

VII. Ms. Foshee, Qualifications Committee Chair, reported on the February 27, 2026 webinar.

- Ms. Foshee reported that the Qualifications Department hosted a webinar on February 27, 2026, to provide an overview of the CPA Exam and certification pathways. More than 400 Texas accounting educators, advisors, applicants, and students registered, and over 200 attended the webinar. Presenters included Qualifications Committee members Renee Foshee, Veronda Willis, and Kathy Zolton, along with Board staff William Treacy and Donna Hiller. The session covered CPA Exam education requirements, certification pathways, accounting course leveling, the Election Form, benefits of the 150-hour requirement, exam preparation, work experience, and job-seeking strategies. NASBA co-hosted the event and provided a recording and slide deck that was posted on the Board's website.

VIII. Ms. Smith, Behavioral Enforcement Committee Chair, reported on the (video conference) Behavioral Enforcement Committee meetings.

February 19, 2026

Members Present

Susan I. Adams, CPA
C. Bennett Allison, CPA
Patrick L. Durio, CPA
Olivia Espinoza-Riley, CPA
Jill A. Holup
Phillip D. Johnson, CPA
Robert Ogle, CPA
Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Committee Chair
James M. "Jim" Trippon, CPA

Staff Present

Paulette Beiter, Esq.
J. Randel Hill, Esq.

A. Dismissals – Insufficient Evidence

Mr. Coates moved to dismiss the following investigations based on insufficient evidence. Ms. Foshee seconded the motion and it passed. The above listed Board members on the BEC committee did not participate or vote on the motion.

- Investigation Nos. 26-01-02L¹ & 26-01-03L¹
- Investigation Nos. 26-01-10L¹ & 26-01-11L¹
- Investigation Nos. 25-11-09L¹ & 25-11-10L¹

B. The committee considered other matters during its meeting that required no motions and no action was required by the Board.

IX. Mr. Garcia, Technical Standards Review Committee chair, reported on the February 4, 2026 (video conference) Technical Standards Review Committee meeting.

Members Present

Kimberly "Kim" Crawford, CPA
Ray R. Garcia, CPA
Committee Chair
Douglas Koval, CPA
Sheila Vallés-Pankratz
Susan Warren, CPA
Juliet Williams, CPA

Member Absent

Dilliana Stewart, CPA

Staff Present

J. Randel Hill, Esq.
John Moore, Esq.

- The committee considered several matters during its meeting; however, no action was required by the Board.

X. The Board took the following action on agreed consent orders and administrative disciplinary actions.

A. **Agreed Consent Orders:**

Ms. Warren moved to approve the following ACOs as presented. Ms. Foshee seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Behavioral Enforcement Committee

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|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|--------------------|
| • Investigation No.: | 25-10-01L¹ | Hometown: | Houston, TX |
| Respondent: | Victor Manuel Rendon, Jr. | Certificate No.: | 102689 |
| Rule Violation: | 501.90(4) | | |
| Act Violations: | 901.502(6); 901.502(10); 901.502 (11) | | |

Respondent entered into an ACO with the Board whereby Respondent's certificate was revoked for a period of five (5) years, however, the revocation was stayed and Respondent was placed on probation for five (5) years. Respondent must pay \$788.82 in administrative costs within 30 days of the date of the Board Order and will participate in the Accountants Confidential Assistance Network.

Respondent received five (5) years deferred adjudication for the 3rd degree felony offense of Deadly Conduct Discharge of Firearm.

Mr. Trippon moved to approve the following ACOs as presented. Ms. Holup seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Technical Standard Review Committee

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|------------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------|
| • Investigation Nos.: | 26-02-01L² & 26-02-02L² | Hometown: | Edinburg, TX |
| Respondents: | Adrian Kale Webb and
Adrian Webb, CPA | Certificate No.: | 101513 |
| | | Firm License No.: | R01116 |
| Rule Violations: | 501.60; 501.74 | | |
| Act Violation: | 901.502(6) | | |

Respondents entered into an ACO with the Board whereby Respondents were reprimanded, assessed an administrative penalty of \$5,000 and administrative costs of \$1,543.64. Further, Respondents were placed on limited scope requiring pre-issuance review of any audits, compilations, and reviews until the limitation of scope is lifted by the Board.

Respondents failed to meet auditing standards in their audited financial statements for a water corporation.

B. **Administrative Disciplinary Actions:**

Mr. Trippon moved to approve the following administrative disciplinary actions as presented. Ms. Holup seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

1. **Respondents: In the Matter of Disciplinary Action Against Certain Licensees for Nonpayment of Licensing and Late Fees for Three Consecutive License Periods**

The Respondents failed to pay their licensing fees for three consecutive license periods. Respondents, although properly notified of the proposed disciplinary action and their right to a hearing on the matter, failed to request a hearing. Staff recommends that the certificate of each Respondent still not in compliance be revoked without prejudice. Each Respondent may regain his or her certificate by paying all license fees and late fees and by otherwise coming into compliance with the Act. Respondents violated Act Section 901.502(4) (failure to pay license fees for three consecutive years). (ATTACHMENT 3)

No Board committee considered these actions.

Investigation Numbers

1. 25-10-10001 - 25-10-10074
2. 25-11-10001 - 25-11-10084

2. **Respondents: In the Matter of Disciplinary Action Against Certain License Holders for CPE Delinquencies**

The Respondents failed to comply with CPE reporting requirements found in Chapter 523 of the *Rules and Act Section 901.411 (Continuing Professional Education)*. The Respondents, although provided with a preliminary report and having been notified of the proposed disciplinary action and their right to a hearing on the matter, failed to request a hearing. Staff recommends that the license of each Respondent still not in compliance be suspended for a period of three years, or until he or she complies with the licensing requirements of the *Act*, whichever is sooner. Additionally, staff recommends a \$100 penalty be imposed for each year a Respondent is not in compliance with the Board's CPE requirements. Respondents violated Board *Rules 501.94 (Mandatory CPE)* and *523.111 (Required CPE Reporting)*, and *Act Section 901.411*. No Board committee considered these actions. (ATTACHMENT 4)

No Board committee considered these actions.

Investigation Numbers

3. 25-10-10075 - 25-10-10209

4. 25-11-10085 - 25-11-10211

3. Respondents: In the Matter of Disciplinary Action Against Certain Certificate Holders for Failure to Complete License Notice

The Respondents failed to complete their license renewal notices in accordance with Board *Rule 515.3 (License Renewals for Individuals and Firm Offices)*. Respondents, although properly notified of the proposed disciplinary action and their right to a hearing on the matter, failed to request a hearing. Staff recommends the certificate of each Respondent not in compliance be revoked without prejudice until such time as the Respondent complies with the requirements of the *Rules* and the *Act*. Respondents violated *Act Section 901.502(12) (Violations of Board Rules)*. No Board committee considered these actions. (ATTACHMENT 5)

No Board committee considered these actions.

Investigation Numbers

5. 25-10-10210 - 25-10-10222

6. 25-11-10212 - 25-11-10230

XI. Mr. Trippon moved to adopt the following Board *Rules* as presented. Ms. Merket seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

1. *Section 501.51 (Preamble and General Principles)* (ATTACHMENT 6)
2. *Section 501.75 (Confidential Client Communications)* (ATTACHMENT 7)
3. *Section 505.10 (Board Committees)* (ATTACHMENT 8)
4. *Section 518.2 (Agreed Consent Orders)* (ATTACHMENT 9)
5. *Section 518.3 (Agreed Consent Order Violations)* (ATTACHMENT 10)
6. *Section 518.4 (Injunctive Relief and Penalties)* (ATTACHMENT 11)
7. *Section 518.5 (Unlicensed Entities)* (ATTACHMENT 12)
8. *Section 518.6 (Administrative Penalty Guidelines for the Unauthorized Practice of Public Accountancy)* (ATTACHMENT 13)
9. *Section 520.2 (Definitions)* (ATTACHMENT 14)
10. *Section 520.3 (Institutions for the Accounting Students Scholarship Program)* (ATTACHMENT 15)
11. *Section 520.4 (Eligible Students for the Accounting Students Scholarship Program)* (ATTACHMENT 16)

XII. Ms. Smith reviewed the meeting schedule for the year.

XIII. Ms. Warren moved to adjourn. Ms. Holup seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jeannette P. Smith, CPA, Presiding Officer

Renee Foshee, Esq., CPA, Secretary

¹ Ms. Adams, Ms. Espinoza-Riley, Ms. Holup, Mr. Trippon and Ms. Smith recused themselves from participating in this matter.

² Ms. Crawford, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Vallés-Pankratz and Ms. Warren recused themselves from participating in this matter.

Agenda Item IV
Report of the Executive Committee
May 13, 2026

- A. Discussion, consideration and possible action on the annual report of the Peer Review Oversight Board and the qualifications of the Sponsoring Organization of the Peer Review Program.
- B. Review and possible action on the Board's financial statements.
- C. Fiscal matters:
 - 1. Approval of FY 2027 Scholarship Allocation.
 - 2. FY 2026 Budget Amendment.
- D. Proposed Budget Plan for FY 2027.
- E. Update on the Legacy System Modernization Project.
- F. Review of NASBA/AICPA matters:
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- G. Review of general correspondence.
- H. Discuss the proposed process for the annual evaluation of the executive director.

Agenda Item IV
Report of the Executive Committee
May 13, 2026

- A. Discussion, consideration and possible action on the annual report of the Peer Review Oversight Board and the qualifications of the Sponsoring Organization of the Peer Review Program.

DISCUSSION: Robert Goldstein, PROB member, will report on the TXCPA and AICPA/NPRC review evaluations. The 2025 annual report is provided on the following pages.

RECOMMENDATION: To accept the report as presented to the Executive Committee and approve the continuation of the TXCPA and AICPA/NPRC as approved sponsoring organizations.

SUGGESTED MOTION: To accept the report as presented to the Executive Committee and approve the continuation of the TXCPA and AICPA/NPRC as approved sponsoring organizations.

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY PEER REVIEW OVERSIGHT BOARD

Annual Report for 2025 on the Continuing Oversight of Sponsoring Organizations Approved by the TSBPA to Administer Peer Reviews

The Peer Review Oversight Board (PROB) was established under the provisions of the Texas Administrative Code, Title 22, Rule 527.7(c) and is retained by the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (TSBPA) to monitor sponsoring organizations that have been approved by the TSBPA to administer peer reviews under the auspices of the AICPA Peer Review Program for firms that are licensed or registered in the State of Texas. During 2025, the Texas Society of CPAs (TXCPA) and the AICPA/National Peer Review Committee (NPRC) were the only sponsoring organizations approved by the TSBPA.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – CONCLUSIONS

As described in this report, PROB recommends continuance of both the AICPA/NPRC and the TXCPA as the approved sponsoring organizations for peer reviews of Texas CPA firms.

AICPA National Peer Review Committee (NPRC)

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Administrative Code, Rule 527.7(d)(1), PROB has reviewed the most recent published Annual Report on Oversight covering the AICPA's National Peer Review Committee (issued May 22, 2025). In general, NPRC peer reviews cover firms who audit public clients under PCAOB standards. Accordingly, peer reviews of Texas firms who are subject to NPRC requirements are administered directly by NPRC and therefore are not administered by the TXCPA. The AICPA's Peer Review Board Oversight Task Force performed oversights on 14% of NPRC peer reviews. **Based upon the conclusions in the current 22-page NPRC oversight report, PROB recommends the continuance of the AICPA/NPRC as a sponsoring organization within the requirements stipulated in the Texas Administrative Code, Rule 527.9.**

TEXAS SOCIETY OF CPAs (TXCPA)

TXCPA's Peer Review Committee and its Report Acceptance Bodies (RABs)

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Administrative Code, Rule 527.7(d)(2)A, members of the PROB attended substantially all 2025 meetings of the TXCPA's Peer Review Committee and its Report Acceptance Bodies (RABs). Most RAB meetings were conducted remotely over Zoom. In addition, TXCPA held two face-to-face RAB meetings in Dallas, in conjunction with full TXCPA Peer Review Committee meetings. Two PROB members attended each of these in-person meetings on May 5, 2025 and December 9, 2025. Using the criteria listed below to generate a risk-based sample of peer reviews processed by the TXCPA throughout 2025, PROB members performed *in-depth* reviews of all RAB documents for those peer reviews that were selected in our sample. The criteria included:

1. Reviews conducted by Team Captains and Review Captains on a TXCPA "watch list," whose past performance has been problematic in the performance of and/or reporting on the results of peer reviews in accordance with peer review standards.
2. Fail reports.
3. Pass with Deficiency(ies) reports.
4. Reviews in which the current report showed a dramatic improvement from a Fail report or Pass with Deficiency(ies) report compared to the previous peer review.
5. Reviews in which the current report revealed a dramatic deterioration to a Fail report or Pass with Deficiency(ies) report for firms that had previously received a Pass report.
6. Reviews conducted by Association Formed review teams.
7. Reviews conducted by Team captains who perform a large number of peer reviews.
8. Other randomly selected peer reviews.

A special emphasis was placed on problematic peer reviewers (category 1 above). PROB's risk-based selection for that category included 14 peer reviews conducted by reviewers who are on TXCPA's watch list. 40 other reviews and a corrective action were also selected throughout the year, covering each of the above categories 2 through 8.

For the sample of peer reviews described above, PROB members reviewed in detail all of the same documents that were presented to the RAB, consisting of peer review reports and the peer review documentation that had been prepared by the reviewers plus summary documents and conclusions prepared by TXCPA's technical reviewers. The PROB members listened to the TXCPA RABs' deliberations regarding these reviews and considered whether the conclusions were consistent with AICPA Peer Review Standards.

In addition to the peer reviews that were specifically included in the aforementioned sample selection for detailed oversight, PROB members also read summary-level documentation and listened to RAB discussions covering substantially all the other peer reviews processed by the TXCPA during 2025.

During 2025, the TXCPA's RABs considered and acted upon 178 System Reviews and 145 Engagement Reviews, for a total of 323 peer reviews. PROB members oversighted in detail 33 System Reviews (19%) and 21 Engagement Reviews (14%), for a total of 54 reviews. The TSBPA has charged PROB with a duty to review "at least 10% of the peer reviews performed." For 2025, PROB achieved an overall coverage of 17%. The detailed oversights were weighted toward system reviews because audit firms are inherently of higher risk as well as higher public interest than firms subject to engagement reviews and because the reviewers who cause the most concern (including the "watch list" reviewers) typically perform principally system reviews.

The results of Texas peer reviews accepted by TXCPA during 2025 were:

Pass: 83%

Pass with Deficiencies: 11%

Fail: 6%

This represents an improvement over the 2024 results of 80%, 13% and 7%, respectively.

In addition to the peer reviews noted above, TXCPA's RABs considered and acted upon 115 other actions pertaining to delayed acceptances, amendments to corrective actions that had been previously assigned to reviewed firms, and discussions regarding whether to refer certain potentially noncooperative firms to AICPA for formal hearings. PROB members oversighted in detail one such RAB action and also observed substantially all of the discussions of the others.

During RAB meetings, PROB members were permitted to comment on peer reviews and other actions; however, PROB members had no vote in any RAB decisions. Assignment of PROB members to RABs was made in such a way as to avoid independence or familiarity conflicts with the peer reviews being discussed.

We did not disagree with any final RAB conclusions that we observed, and we believe that the ultimate peer review ratings accepted by TXCPA for each firm were appropriate. We noted that the TXCPA's technical staff and the RAB members were knowledgeable about both their responsibilities and the technical aspects of the peer reviews that were presented, and that they devoted a suitable amount of time to fully discuss each peer review.

To enhance efficiency under “Texas DOGE,” the TSBPA approved a plan whereby, beginning in September 2025, PROB members now observe only one Zoom TXCPA RAB each month instead of both monthly RAB sessions (if applicable). When the TXCPA convenes two simultaneous in-person RABs in May and December each year, however, both of those RABs will continue to be observed. This plan retains excellent overall coverage of the RAB meetings and will not impair PROB’s ability to oversight at least 10% of peer reviews administered by TXCPA.

Other TXCPA Oversight Considerations

In addition to attending the TXCPA RAB and Peer Review Committee meetings, PROB members also attend all TXCPA Reviewer Evaluation Committee meetings. The TXCPA conducted two such meetings during 2025 to focus on problematic peer reviewers, and especially to identify individuals to be placed on TXCPA’s watch list. We noted that, when tardy performing peer reviewers were identified, no new peer reviews were being scheduled for those individuals until they became current. During 2025, the Reviewer Evaluation Committee met in June and September, and all PROB members attended those meetings. We also noted that the full TXCPA Peer Review Committee further discusses those reviewers who are on the watch list.

PROB monitors TXCPA reports that track the status of CPA firms who are overdue on their peer reviews (this is further monitored by AICPA). PROB noted that, when warranted by the AICPA Peer Review Program Standards, TXCPA has appropriately recommended to AICPA that it should drop certain firms from the Peer Review Program for noncooperation with the Program.

PROB monitored the technical content of AICPA and TXCPA peer reviewer forums.

During 2025, PROB also reviewed and relied upon various outside oversight reports including:

- AICPA Peer Review Program Oversight Report, a 40-page detailed summary issued April 23, 2025 by the AICPA Peer Review Program’s Oversight Task Force.
- TXCPA’s Plan of Administration to Administer Peer Reviews in 2026 and AICPA’s most recent written approval of TXCPA’s 2025 Plan of Administration as of December 8, 2025.
- Administering Entity Benchmark Summaries issued by AICPA’s Peer Review Board related to the detailed underlying 13 to 14-page benchmark reports submitted by TXCPA to AICPA every four months, along with AICPA’s approvals.

- TXCPA Annual Report on Peer Review Activities issued March 3, 2025. As of that date, 1375 CPA firms were enrolled in peer reviews subject to TXCPA administration. This includes almost 250 non-AICPA firms that had previously been enrolled in a TXCPA state peer review program who have been moved over to the AICPA Peer Review Program regardless of membership. The report summarized numerous follow-up actions assigned to some firms as a condition of acceptance of their peer reviews. By far, the most common of such actions was the firms' agreement to obtain and submit proof of certain specified CPE. Other frequent follow-up actions were submission of non-conforming engagements to an outside party to review remediation and agreement to have the peer reviewer or an outside party perform pre-issuance or post-issuance reviews of certain future engagements.
- RAB observation reports issued by AICPA's Peer Review Board. AICPA periodically oversees specific RAB sessions; the reports covered AICPA observations on February 13, 2025 and October 15, 2025. In addition, two AICPA Oversight Task Force members were present at the December 9, 2025 RAB and full TXCPA Peer Review Committee meetings.
- Reports on independent evaluations of TXCPA's safeguards over improper bias due to conflicts and/or familiarity threats. Such safeguards include procedures to avoid improper acceptance bias arising from situations such as familiarity with high volume reviewers or reviews performed by Peer Review Committee and RAB members, or overreliance on technical reviewers. To obtain these evaluations, TXCPA participates in familiarity cross reviews with other AICPA-approved administering entities. In 2025, three such reviews were conducted. They were performed by the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants on February 10, 2025 and July 14, 2025, and by the Peer Review Alliance (the administering entity for Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, South Carolina, West Virginia and Wisconsin) on November 10, 2025. Each of the three 2025 reports concluded that TXCPA is appropriately complying with its Familiarity Threat Policies and Procedures.

Conclusions Regarding TXCPA

Based upon the results of the oversight procedures performed by PROB members and the additional oversight procedures performed by AICPA and other parties, in our opinion the TXCPA is administering its peer review program in accordance with the standards promulgated by the AICPA Peer Review Board and the rules of the TSBPA. **We recommend that the TSBPA should continue to approve and rely upon TXCPA as a peer review sponsoring organization.**

Additional Comments

Trend

As a continuation of a noticeable national and Texas trend in recent years, the number of peer reviews processed by TXCPA in 2025 has diminished compared to previous years. There has been an ongoing decline in the number of CPA firms issuing reviewable engagements. As a result of mergers and acquisitions, retirements, and obstacles related to professional standards overload, some CPA firms have ceased performing reviewable accounting and auditing engagements. A number of firms now issue only preparation engagements instead of compilations, which has allowed some firms to become exempt from peer review. At its December 9, 2025 meeting, the TXCPA Peer Review Committee reported that there were 83 Texas firms with 2025 peer review due dates for which the peer review workpapers had not yet been submitted for technical review, of which 80 were in progress. 207 Texas peer reviews due in 2026 were already in various stages of scheduling. TXCPA continually tracks the process of peer reviews throughout the process and it takes timely steps to encourage firms to schedule reviews on a timely basis. If a firm ignores scheduling requests, TXCPA has the ability to start proceedings to have the firm dropped from the Peer Review Program due to noncooperation.

Peer Reviewer Pool

There continues to be an ongoing national shortage of reliable peer reviewers and some of the currently listed peer reviewers perform only a few peer reviews each year or may no longer be active.

PROB has reviewed a 2025 report on peer reviewer pool replenishment that was issued by the Illinois CPA Society as the result of a study pertaining to states administered by the Peer Review Alliance (with which TXCPA has a limited relationship). It found that barriers to sustaining the reviewer pool included a challenging learning curve, unprecedented time pressures arising from the volume of recent professional standards, and the opportunity cost of accepting triennial projects (rather than annual work) at the partner level without much opportunity to delegate the work. These findings are consistent with the AICPA findings PROB has previously reported whereby the two top items noted that prevent individuals from becoming peer reviewers were (1) balancing peer review with existing workload and (2) allocating resources to peer review when faced with competing demands for potentially higher paying, less complex work.

AICPA Exposure Draft

In September 2025 the AICPA exposed a proposed standards amendment to “modernize” peer review administration. It specifically addresses Alternative Practice Structures (APS) wherein private equity investors have gained ownership interests in certain CPA firms. Proposed peer review changes would require APS firms to have their peer reviews administered by NPRC instead of by state societies and would also require the team captain performing such reviews to be from a firm that has had its most recent peer review conducted through NPRC. Numerous interested parties have responded to the exposure draft. TXCPA’s detailed response disagreed with the proposed changes and offered several alternative suggestions. It is unknown at this time how many Texas CPA firms would be affected if the proposed amendment were to be adopted. The amendment would affect only APS firms that are not already subject to NPRC peer reviews.

PRIMA

AICPA has gradually made some functional improvements to the PRIMA software it developed to administer the scheduling and processing of peer reviews. However, because PRIMA is not intuitive for a reviewed firm that needs to use it at only three-year intervals, a burden of interruptions and wasted time continues to fall upon reviewers when many of the reviewed firms seek assistance in navigating through the process.

TSBPA PEER REVIEW OVERSIGHT BOARD



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January 14, 2026

Agenda Item IV
Report of the Executive Committee
May 13, 2026

B. Review and possible action on the Board's financial statements.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Espinoza-Riley, treasurer, will present the Board's financial statements.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommends that the Board's financial statements be approved as presented.

SUGGESTED MOTION: That the Board's financial statements be approved as presented.

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
 Financial Overview
 As of March 31, 2026

Financial Overview FY 2026						
	Actual	Annual Budget	Variance	Percent Remaining	Target	Variance
Revenues - YTD	\$ 5,845,552	\$ 9,459,063	\$ 3,613,511	38.20%	41.67%	3.47%
Expenditures - YTD	\$ (4,733,420)	\$ (9,064,385)	\$ 4,330,965	47.78%	41.67%	6.11%
Net - YTD	\$ 1,112,133	\$ 394,678	\$ 717,455			
Net Transfers	\$ (409,683)	\$ (733,344)	\$ 323,661			
Net Increase/(Reduction) in Fund Balance	\$ 702,450	\$ (338,666)	\$ 1,041,116			
<p>Revenues: See <i>Revenue Budget Summary</i> for additional information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Revenue collected over budget by 3.47% <p>Expenditures: See <i>Expenditure Budget Summary</i> for additional information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expenditures under budget by 6.11% 						

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
Performance Measures
Through the 6 Months Ended February 28, 2026

Performance Measures:

Fiscal Year 2026

	<i>Sept. -Nov.</i>	<i>Dec. -Feb.</i>	<i>Mar. -May</i>	<i>June -Aug.</i>				
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	YTD	<i>Target</i>	<i>%</i>	FY 2025
Exam Related Measures:								
1 Individuals examined	3,476	3,814			3,814	5,667	67%	6,142
2 Sections taken	3,310	3,628			6,938	13,240	52%	13,678
3 Average sections taken per individual	0.95	0.95			1.82	2.34	78%	2.23
Licensing Related Measures:								
4 Number of individuals licensed	78,578	78,576			not cumulative	78,901	100%	78,683
5 Number of business facilities licensed (firms) <i>a</i>	8,129	8,121			not cumulative	8,156	100%	8,193
Peer Review Related Measures:								
6 Number of accounting firms subject to peer review	1,633	1,607			not cumulative	1,700	95%	1,670
7 Number of Peer Reviews Conducted	131	115			246	566	43%	519
8 Percentage of accounting firms reviewed	8.0%	7.2%			7.2%	33%	22%	15.3%
Percentage of accounting firms receiving								
9 favorable review	84.7%	85.2%			85.2%	83.0%	103%	85.0%
Number of peer reviews examined by the								
10 Peer Review Oversight Board	131	115			246	566	43%	519
Sponsor Review Program Related Measures:								
11 Number of CPE Sponsors Reviewed	29	23			52	138	38%	122
12 Number of CPE Sponsors Subject to Review	379	373			not cumulative	405	92%	381

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
 Performance Measures
 Through the 6 Months Ended February 28, 2026

Performance Measures:

Fiscal Year 2026

	Sept. -Nov.	Dec. -Feb.	Mar. -May	June -Aug.	YTD	Target		FY 2025
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.			%	
Enforcement Related Measures:								
	<i>b,c</i>							
Administrative:								
13 Open violations, beginning	1,399	1,010			1,399			1,397
14 Violations opened	710	734			1,444			3,198
15 Violations closed	(1,098)	(515)			(1,612)			(3,194)
16 Previous quarter adjustment	(1)	-			(2)			(2)
17 Open violations, ending	1,010	1,229	-	-	1,229			1,399
18 Average time for complaint resolution (days)	140.4	145.8	-	-	145.8	131.6	111%	142.2
Disciplinary:								
19 Open violations, beginning	645	627			645			504
20 Violations opened	134	154			288			615
21 Violations closed	(152)	(82)			(234)			(476)
22 Previous quarter adjustment	-	5			5			2
23 Open violations, ending	627	704	-	-	704			645
24 Average time for complaint resolution (days)	93.3	111.6	-	-	93.3	190.9	49%	177.6

- a This measure is the number of Registered Accounting Firms not Practice Units. The number of Practice Units is used for estimating revenue because Firms may have more than one Practice Unit.
- b Case numbers are estimates based on best available data, subject to additional review of violation coding. Rule changes over time may affect coding.
- c Cases opened and closed categories include adjustments for reclassification of cases and report timing. Due to the timing of some case reporting, year-to-date numbers may not match quarterly totals.

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy
Exhibit A-1 - Balance Sheet - All General and Consolidated Funds
As of March 31, 2026

	General				
	(1000)	Scholarship Fund (0858)	EFFA Fund (0858)	Operating Fund (1009)	Total (EXH I)
	U/F (1002)	U/F (7106, 6106)	U/F (7206, 6206)	U/F (1009, 2858)	
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents:					
Cash on Hand	\$ -	\$ 340	\$ -	\$ 14,493	\$ 14,833
Cash in Bank (Note 3)	100	520	-	7,923	8,543
Cash in State Treasury	-	44,439	8,147	1,138,498	1,191,084
Cash Equivalents	112,356	349,557	368,686	10,701,802	11,532,401
Accounts Receivable	146,168	45,020	-	3,135	194,322
Due From Other Funds	-	-	-	71,257	71,257
Due From Other Agencies	-	-	-	1,120	1,120
Prepaid Item	-	-	-	106,937	106,937
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 258,624</u>	<u>\$ 439,876</u>	<u>\$ 376,833</u>	<u>\$ 12,045,164</u>	<u>\$ 13,120,497</u>
Non-Current Assets:					
Non-Current Prepaid Items				\$ 33,034	\$ 33,034
Non-Current Refundable Deposits				\$ 37,010	\$ 37,010
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 70,043</u>	<u>\$ 70,043</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 258,624</u>	<u>\$ 439,876</u>	<u>\$ 376,833</u>	<u>\$ 12,115,207</u>	<u>\$ 13,190,540</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Current Liabilities:					
Payables From:					
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,304	\$ 114,304
Payroll Payable				420,294	420,294
Refunds Payable				336	336
Due To Other Funds	71,257	-	-	58,612	129,869
Due to Other Agencies	187,367	-	-	-	187,367
Total Current Liabilities	<u>\$ 258,624</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 593,546</u>	<u>\$ 852,170</u>
Non-Current Liabilities:					
Interfund Payables					\$ -
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 258,624</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 593,546</u>	<u>\$ 852,170</u>
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT-FUND BALANCES					
Fund Balances (Deficits):					
Nonspendable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 176,980	\$ 176,980
Committed:				-	-
Board Policy Reserve		-	-	3,319,440	3,319,440
Board Policy Contingency Fund				4,820,000	4,820,000
Other	-	439,876	376,833	3,205,240	4,021,949
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 439,876</u>	<u>\$ 376,833</u>	<u>\$ 11,521,661</u>	<u>\$ 12,338,370</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 258,624</u>	<u>\$ 439,876</u>	<u>\$ 376,833</u>	<u>\$ 12,115,207</u>	<u>\$ 13,190,540</u>

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy
Exhibit A-2 - Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances – All General and Consolidated Funds
 For the 7 Months Ended March 31, 2026

	General					Memorandum Only				
	Scholarship Funds (0858)	EFFA FUND (0858)	Operating Fund (1009)	Total	Scholarship Funds (0858)	EFFA FUND (0858)	Operating Fund (1009)			
	U/F (6106, 7106)	U/F (7206, 6206)	U/F (1009, 2858)	(EXH II)	U/F (6106, 7106)	U/F (7206, 6206)	U/F (1009, 2858)			
	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2025	Total FY 2025	Difference	
REVENUES										
Federal Grant Pass-through Revenue (GR)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Licenses, Fees & Permits:										
Licenses, Fees		376,652	-	5,363,238	5,739,889	383,843	-	5,101,306	5,485,149	254,741 A
Exam Fees		-	-	206,835	206,835	-	-	179,050	179,050	27,785
Other License, Fees & Permits		-	-	5,671	5,671	-	-	5,290	5,290	381
Sales of Goods and Services		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Investment Income	1,971	9,118	8,045	230,113	249,247	19,043	7,116	210,146	236,304	12,943
Other		55,655	-	39,695	95,350	10,427	-	42,130	52,556	42,794 B
Total Revenues	\$ 1,971	\$ 441,425	\$ 8,045	\$ 5,845,552	\$ 6,296,993	\$ 413,312	\$ 7,116	\$ 5,537,922	\$ 5,958,349	\$ 338,644
EXPENDITURES										
Salaries and Wages			\$ 2,257,442	\$ 2,257,442				\$ 2,071,206	\$ 2,071,206	\$ 186,235 C
Payroll Related Costs			716,606	716,606				657,260	657,260	59,346
Professional Fees and Services			636,936	636,936				113,101	113,101	523,835 D
Travel			11,586	11,586				14,750	14,750	(3,164)
Materials and Supplies			212,164	212,164				124,099	124,099	88,065 E
Communication and Utilities			59,939	59,939				49,870	49,870	10,068
Repairs and Maintenance			47,390	47,390				87,977	87,977	(40,587)
Rentals & Leases			48,439	48,439				39,838	39,838	8,601
Printing and Reproduction			8,235	8,235				8,157	8,157	78
Other Expenditures			318,890	318,890				215,431	215,431	103,459 F
State Pass Through Expenditures		527,207	-	527,207		483,268	-	-	483,268	43,939
Intergovernmental Payments		218,858	-	218,858		175,685	-	-	175,685	43,173
Public Assistance Payments		-	1,853	155,500	157,353	-	1,838	155,500	157,338	15
Debt Service:										
Principal			208,773	208,773				199,689	199,689	9,084
Interest			14,669	14,669				17,235	17,235	(2,566)
Capital Outlay			36,851	36,851				-	-	36,851
Total Expenditures/Expenses	\$ -	\$ 746,065	\$ 1,853	\$ 4,733,420	\$ 5,481,338	\$ 658,953	\$ 1,838	\$ 3,754,114	\$ 4,414,905	\$ 1,066,433
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 1,971	\$ (304,640)	\$ 6,191	\$ 1,112,133	\$ 815,655	\$ (245,641)	\$ 5,277	\$ 1,783,808	\$ 1,543,444	\$ (727,789)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
Transfers In	\$ (2,000)	\$ 790,504	\$ 17,111	\$ 5,715,340	\$ 6,520,955	\$ 729,699	\$ 370,000	\$ 4,629,619	\$ 5,729,319	\$ 791,637
Transfers Out	(1,971)	(790,504)	(10,000)	(6,125,023)	(6,927,498)	(729,699)	(10,000)	(5,393,743)	(6,133,442)	(794,056)
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Capital Assets										
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	\$ (3,971)	\$ -	\$ 7,111	\$ (409,683)	\$ (406,543)	\$ -	\$ 360,000	\$ (764,124)	\$ (404,124)	\$ (2,419)
SPECIAL ITEMS										
EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS										
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (2,000)	\$ (304,640)	\$ 13,302	\$ 702,450	\$ 409,113	\$ (245,641)	\$ 365,277	\$ 1,019,684	\$ 1,139,320	\$ (730,207)
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT-FUND BALANCES										
Fund Balances--Beginning 9/1/2025	\$ 2,000	\$ 744,516	\$ 363,530	\$ 10,819,211	\$ 11,929,257	\$ 995,645	\$ -	\$ 8,689,665	\$ 9,685,311	\$ 2,243,947
Fund Balances -- March 31, 2026	\$ 0	\$ 439,876	\$ 376,833	\$ 11,521,661	\$ 12,338,370	\$ 750,004	\$ 365,277	\$ 9,709,349	\$ 10,824,631	\$ 1,513,739

- A License Fees are higher due to the individual licensee fee increase from \$102 to \$108.
- B The increase is due to the recognition of the outstanding scholarship reimbursement.
- C The increase is driven by pay adjustment and the hiring of personnel at higher pay grade.
- D The increase is due to legacy system expenses.
- E The increase is mainly due to the purchase of computer software and equipment.
- F This includes temporary services increased by \$45k and the SWCAP increased by \$24k.

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy
Accounting Student Scholarship Payments FY 2026
State Universities
As of March 31, 2026

	FY 2026
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE - September 1, 2025	\$ 744,516
Total Scholarship Fund Revenue	\$ 441,425
State Pass Through Expenditures (EXH A-2)	
State University Payments:	
Angelo State University	\$ 9,250
Texas A&M University	80,000
Texas A&M University - Commerce	3,457
Texas Southern University	6,000
Texas State University	42,000
Texas Tech University	40,000
University of Houston	28,500
University of Houston - Clear Lake	13,000
University of Houston - Downtown	38,000
University of North Texas	55,000
University of Texas at Arlington	5,000
University of Texas at Austin	80,000
University of Texas at Dallas	49,000
University of Texas at El Paso	35,000
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	27,000
University of Texas at Tyler	6,000
West Texas A&M University	10,000
Total State University Payments	<u>\$ 527,207</u>
State University Refunds:	
Total State University Refunds	<u>\$ -</u>
State Pass Through Expenditures (EXH A-2)	<u>\$ 527,207</u>
Intergovernmental Payments (EXH A-2)	
Junior College/ Private University Payments:	
Baylor University	\$ 24,000
Dallas Baptist University	3,000
Dallas College	3,000
Houston Community College System	3,000
Letourneau University	12,000
Lubbock Christian University	12,000
McMurry University	5,000
Southern Methodist University	22,858
Texas Christian University	56,000
Texas Lutheran University	5,000
Texas Wesleyan University	5,000
Trinity University	30,000
University of Dallas	5,000
University of the Incarnate Word	10,000
William Marsh Rice University	23,000
Total Junior College/ Private University Payments:	<u>\$ 218,858</u>
Intergovernmental Payments (EXH. A-2)	<u>\$ 218,858</u>
Other Financing Sources/Uses	
Transfers In	\$ 790,504
Transfers Out	\$ (790,504)
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses (EXH. A-2)	<u>\$ -</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCE - March 31, 2026	<u>\$ 439,876</u>

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C. Fiscal matters:

1. Approval of FY 2027 scholarship allocation.
2. FY 2026 Budget Amendment.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Warren, assistant presiding officer, will present the Board's proposed fiscal year 2027 scholarship allocation, and the Board's proposed FY 2026 budget amendment.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy
Scholarship Fund

AS OF 2/28/2026

Projected Funds Available - FY 2027

Balance as of February 28, 2026		\$	414,854
Estimated collections March 1 through August 31, 2026	(6 months)	\$	337,403
Total collections 9/1/25 - 2/28/26		\$	337,403
Divided by number of months			6
Average monthly collections		\$	<u>56,234</u>
Estimated Scholarships March 1, 2025 through August 31, 2025		\$	(332,935)
Projected Balance as of August 31, 2026		\$	<u>419,322</u>
Estimated collections for FY 2027 (Match Board Document)		\$	642,684
Average monthly collections		\$	53,557
Times 12 months			12
		\$	<u>642,684</u>
Projected Funds Available Through August 31, 2027		\$	<u><u>1,062,006</u></u>

OPTIONS:

	Options	Balance - 08/31/27
Total Awards FY 2027	\$ 650,000	\$ 412,006
	\$ 750,000	\$ 312,006
	\$ 850,000	\$ 212,006

Estimated Collections by fiscal quarter - INCLUDING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Est. Beginning Bal. - September 1, 2026	\$	419,322
1st quarter collections	\$	160,671
Estimate Awards	\$	(197,857)
Balance as of November 30, 2026	\$	<u>382,137</u>
2nd quarter collections	\$	160,671
Estimate Awards	\$	(197,857)
Balance as of February 28, 2027	\$	<u>344,951</u>
3rd quarter collections	\$	160,671
Estimate Awards	\$	(197,857)
Balance as of May 31, 2027	\$	<u>307,765</u>
4th quarter collections	\$	160,671
Estimate Awards	\$	(56,430)
Est. Ending Bal. as of August 31, 2027	\$	<u><u>412,006</u></u>

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D. Proposed budget plan for FY 2027.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Warren, assistant presiding officer, will discuss the Board's budget plan for fiscal year 2027.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
 Operating Budget Projections 2027-2030

	Proposed Budget Revision	Projected				
		FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
License Fee		\$ 108	\$ 187	\$ 182	\$ 170	\$ 152
Retired/Disabled Fee		\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15
Firm License Fee		\$ 60	\$ 160	\$ 160	\$ 155	\$ 145
Firm Organization Fee	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	2 - 5	\$ 10	\$ 12	\$ 12	\$ 12	\$ 10
	6 - 9	\$ 15	\$ 17	\$ 17	\$ 17	\$ 15
	10 - 49	\$ 20	\$ 22	\$ 22	\$ 22	\$ 20
	50 +	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Exam Application of Intent Fee		\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 20
Exam Section Fee (per part)		\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15
CPE sponsor Courses offered	1-10	\$ 400	\$ 480	\$ 470	\$ 450	\$ 440
	11-40	\$ 750	\$ 830	\$ 820	\$ 800	\$ 790
	41 +	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,330	\$ 1,320	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,290

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget	FY 2028 Budget	FY 2029 Budget	FY 2030 Budget
Estimated Revenue	\$ 9,459,063	\$ 15,309,671	\$ 14,875,339	\$ 13,999,525	\$ 12,704,960
Estimated Expenditures	(9,714,385)	(19,678,687)	(15,919,919)	(13,144,445)	(12,029,847)
Excess (Deficiency) Revenues over Expenditures	(255,322)	(4,369,016)	(1,044,580)	855,080	675,113
Estimated Transfers Out - EFFA/Other	(30,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)
Estimated Transfers Out - SDSI Pmt	(703,344)	(703,344)	(703,344)	(703,344)	(703,344)
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	\$ (988,666)	\$ (5,102,360)	\$ (1,777,924)	\$ 121,736	\$ (58,231)
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 10,819,211	\$ 9,830,545	\$ 4,728,184	\$ 2,950,260	\$ 3,071,996
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 9,830,545	\$ 4,728,184	\$ 2,950,260	\$ 3,071,996	\$ 3,013,765

Fund Balance Reserve at 19%- 22% of operating expenditures, 10% on legacy costs, \$350,000 Enforcement Reserve:

Expenditures - estimated	\$ 9,714,385	\$ 19,678,687	\$ 15,919,919	\$ 13,144,445	\$ 12,029,847
Operating Expenditures & Transfer Out	\$ 9,714,385	\$ 19,678,687	\$ 15,919,919	\$ 13,144,445	\$ 12,029,847
3 month Operating Reserve	\$ 2,428,596	\$ 2,826,360	\$ 2,491,806	\$ 2,700,566	\$ 2,646,566
Board-Designated Contingency Reserve	\$ 6,348,605	\$ 1,551,824	\$ 108,454	\$ 21,430	\$ 17,199
Enforcement Reserve	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
Transfer Out (beginning FY 2019)	703,344	-	-	-	-
Total Reserve	\$ 9,830,545	\$ 4,728,184	\$ 2,950,260	\$ 3,071,996	\$ 3,013,765

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E. Update on the legacy system modernization project.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Warren, Ad Hoc Computer Utilization Committee chair, will provide an update on the progress of the legacy system modernization project.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

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F. Review of NASBA/AICPA matters:

DISCUSSION: Ms. Smith, presiding officer, will present the following NASBA/AICPA matters:

1. Western Regional Meeting, June 23 - 25, 2026 - Park City, UT.
2. 119th NASBA Annual Meeting, October 25 - 28, 2026 - Litchfield Park, AZ.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.



April 28, 2026

Ms. Toni Lee-Andrews
Director of AICPA Professional Ethics Division
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
220 Leigh Farm Road
Durham, NC 27707

Re: December 29, 2025 AICPA Professional Ethics Executive Committee Exposure
Draft: *Proposed revisions related to alternative practice structures*

Dear Ms. Lee-Andrews:

The Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (Board) appreciates the invitation to comment on the AICPA Professional Ethics Division Exposure Draft: *Proposed revisions related to alternative practice structures* (exposure draft). The Board recognizes that increased private equity investment through alternative practice structures (APS) in accounting firms is an important issue that must be addressed by standard setting bodies and regulatory authorities. We appreciate the scope of work undertaken by the AICPA's Professional Ethics Executive Committee (PEEC) to develop guidance that upholds the rigorous standards and integrity of the profession. As Texas law places protection of the public's interests at the forefront of this agency's mission, we support efforts that will strengthen public trust in the profession and ensure independence standards remain robust, relevant, and operable.

In reviewing the exposure draft, our Board members identified several areas where additional clarity, simplification, or alignment would enhance the effectiveness and usability of the final standard. Our key observations are outlined in the following paragraphs.

1. Independence in Fact and in Appearance

The Board unanimously agreed that independence, both in fact and in appearance, is foundational to maintaining audit quality and public trust. While the exposure draft addresses independence in fact, independence in appearance is not made sufficiently explicit in the exposure draft's current language. Public confidence in the profession depends not only on actual objectivity but also on the perception of objectivity. As such, we suggest the exposure draft could more clearly articulate the expectation that firms in APS structures consider how relationships and structures may be perceived by reasonable third parties. A more explicit treatment of independence in appearance would reinforce the profession's commitment to transparency and confirm public trust.



The Board would urge PEEC to strongly consider the appearance of a lack of independence when an attest firm in the APS structure performs attest services for any entity in that structure.

2. Usability and Practicability

The Board noted several state boards and regulatory partners have expressed concern that the exposure draft, as written, may be overly complicated to regulate and too rigid to apply consistently. The exposure draft relies heavily on detailed, example-driven rules that may inadvertently narrow interpretation or create compliance traps. Given the adaptive nature of private equity firms, it would seem that a principles-based framework presented in straightforward language would better accommodate the diversity of current and future APS firm structures. The framework could be supported by illustrative but non-binding examples. In addition, the level of specificity outlined in the exposure draft may make regulation and enforcement of standards difficult for state boards of accountancy with limited resources. We encourage consideration of whether the exposure draft could be simplified by emphasizing core principles and concepts that would support operable, scalable guidance across jurisdictions and firm structures.

3. Ownership Structures and Upstream Influence

The Board raised questions about the operability of applying independence and conflict of interest standards to complex upstream ownership arrangements, particularly those involving private equity. Many regulators and CPA firms alike struggle to fully understand the nuances of private equity structures. By nature, private equity entities' ownership and management structures are hidden from public knowledge. This lack of transparency could raise doubt in the mind of the public, especially when complex compensation systems are involved. We suggest greater clarity is needed on how "upstream influence" can be evaluated through principles-based guidance, including the consideration of necessary disclosures the upstream entities would need to make to state boards. For example, "professional services" could have a different definition for a private equity entity and investors than a traditional attest firm. A clearer framework would help firms and regulators consistently evaluate risk.

4. Alignment with International Standards

The Board also expressed concern that the exposure draft is not fully aligned with international frameworks standards, including those issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA). The global nature of firm networks and ownership structures makes alignment with international standards critical for reducing regulatory fragmentation and ensuring U.S. standards remain interoperable with global practice. We encourage PEEC to consider where the proposed standards diverge from



international standards and whether harmonization is possible.

In conclusion, we would like to express appreciation for PEEC's efforts to modernize standards and provide guidance to firms operating in a rapidly evolving marketplace. There are, however, a number of areas in the exposure draft where our Board members have raised concerns, and we are aware that many other states have similar reservations. As it currently stands, we do not believe issuing the new standards proposed under the exposure draft would be workable and manageable. Instead, we recommend continued collaboration with firms and state boards to address the concerns that are being raised.

We welcome continued dialogue and would be pleased to provide additional information regarding the Board's perspectives.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeannette P. Smith".

Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Presiding Officer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Treacy".

William Treacy
Executive Director

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G. Review of the general correspondence.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Smith, presiding officer, will review general correspondence coming to the Board's attention.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

To: [J Franco](#); [Paulette Beiter](#); [Jennifer Costilla](#)
Subject: Satisfaction Survey
Date: Friday, April 17, 2026 4:40:43 PM

CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders.

I wanted to take a moment to send my appreciation of the prompt professional response / support I've received from yall.

Having experience with other State Public Boards of Accountancy - I can unequivocally say that this has been by far the best experience.

Thank you for your service.

Regards
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March 30, 2026

Jose Luis Rodriguez

Texas State Board of Public Accountancy
505 E. Huntland Drive, Suite 380
Austin, TX 78752-3757

RE: Payment of Annual Fees – License Number 44379

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$ 103.00 whereby I seek to be in active status, as opposed to the retired license status that I currently have.

April, a very courteous and informed individual with your office, guided me through this process.

Please let me know if you need anything else from me to assist me in getting this process completed. My email address and my phone number are listed below.

Sincerely,



Jose L. Rodriguez

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H. Discuss the proposed process for the annual evaluation of the executive director.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Smith, presiding officer, will discuss the upcoming annual evaluation of the executive director.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

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- A. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 501.81 (Firm Licensing)*.
- B. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 515.8 (Retired or Disability Status)*.
- C. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 518.5 (Unlicensed Entities)*.
- D. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 523.113 (Exemptions from CPE)*.
- E. Schedule next meeting.

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- A. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 501.81* (*Firm Licensing*).

DISCUSSION: Licensees may provide services through an unregistered entity so long as a disclaimer advising the public that they are providing services through a non-CPA firm is used each time their designation is used in association with the unregistered entity. The proposed rule eliminates the requirement that the disclaimer be in a font equal to the font size of the advertisement. It also eliminates the need to use the disclaimer each time the CPA credential is used. The licensee is required to include the disclaimer only once.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff is recommending that the committee recommend to the Board that the proposed rule be published in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

SUGGESTED MOTION: The committee recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director publish the proposed rule in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

4 (a) A firm, may not provide or offer to provide attest services or use the title "CPA,"
5 "CPAs," "CPA Firm," "Certified Public Accountants," "Certified Public Accounting Firm,"
6 or "Auditing Firm" or any variation of those titles unless the firm holds a firm license
7 issued by the board or qualifies under a practice privilege. A firm license is not valid for
8 any date or for any period prior to the date it is issued by the board and it automatically
9 expires and is no longer valid after the end of the period for which it is issued. A firm
10 license does not expire when the application for license renewal is received by the
11 board prior to its expiration date. An expiration date for a firm license may be extended
12 by the board, in its sole discretion, upon a demonstration of extenuating circumstances
13 that prevented the firm from timely applying for or renewing a firm license.

14 (b) A firm is required to hold a license issued by the board if the firm establishes or
15 maintains an office in this state.

16 (c) **An individual licensee may use the designation "certified public accountant"**
17 **or the abbreviation "CPA" in referring to himself or herself, regardless of his or**
18 **her employer. However, a licensee employed by an unlicensed entity that**
19 **references the individual CPA's designation in advertisements or written**
20 **promotional statements relating to the client practice of public accountancy must**
21 **disclose that the firm is not a CPA firm and its services are not regulated by the**
22 **Texas State Board of Public Accountancy.** ~~Each advertisement or written~~
23 ~~promotional statement that refers to a CPA's designation and his or her association with~~
24 ~~an unlicensed entity in the client practice of public accountancy must include the~~
25 ~~disclaimer: "This firm is not a CPA firm and these services are not regulated by the~~
26 ~~Texas State Board of Public Accountancy." The disclaimer must be included in~~
27 ~~conspicuous proximity to the name of the unlicensed entity and be printed in a size at~~
28 ~~least equal to, and a type not less bold than that contained in the body of the~~
29 ~~advertisement or written statement. If the advertisement is in audio format only, the~~
30 ~~disclaimer shall be clearly declared at the conclusion of each such presentation.~~

31 (d) The **requirement** ~~requirements~~ of subsection (c) of this section **does** ~~do~~ not apply **to**
32 **a licensee** ~~with regard to a person~~ performing services:

- 1 (1) as a licensed attorney at law of this state while in the practice of law or as an
2 employee of a licensed attorney when acting within the scope of the attorney's practice
3 of law;
- 4 (2) as an employee, officer, or director of a federally-insured depository institution, when
5 lawfully acting within the scope of the legally permitted activities of the institution's trust
6 department; or
- 7 (3) pursuant to a practice privilege.
- 8 (e) On the determination by the board that a person has practiced without a license or
9 through an unlicensed firm in violation of subsection (c) of this section, the person's
10 certificate shall be subject to revocation and may not be reinstated for at least 12
11 months from the date of the revocation.
- 12 (f) Interpretive Comment: A person who is employed by an unlicensed firm that offers
13 services that fall within the definitions of the client practice of public accountancy as
14 defined in §501.52(8) and (22) of this chapter (relating to Definitions) and §901.003 of
15 the Act (relating to Practice of Public Accountancy) must comply with the disclaimer
16 requirement found in subsection (c) of this section.

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- B. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 515.8 (Retired or Disability Status)*.

DISCUSSION: Any licensed CPA faculty member, even one who is not licensed in Texas, may use their CPA designation if they do not provide accounting services and only serve as a faculty member. Some faculty members may provide accounting services outside the classroom. The proposed rule revision clarifies that when faculty members are providing such accounting services they may not qualify for retired or disability status.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff is recommending that the committee recommend to the Board that the proposed rule be published in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

SUGGESTED MOTION: The committee recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director publish the proposed rule in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

1 CHAPTER 515 LICENSES
2 RULE §515.8 Retired or Disability Status

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4 (a) Retired status. A licensee who is at least 60 years old and has affirmed that the
5 licensee has no association with accounting may be granted retired status at the time of
6 license renewal. A licensee in retired status is exempt from the fingerprinting required in
7 §515.1(d) of this chapter (relating to License). A licensee who has been granted retired
8 status and who reenters the workforce in a position that has an association with
9 accounting automatically loses the retired status except as provided for in subsection
10 (a)(1) of this section, and must provide the fingerprinting required in §515.1(d) of this
11 chapter unless previously submitted to the board.

12 (1) A licensee who serves without compensation on a Board of Directors, or Board of
13 Trustees, or provides volunteer tax preparation services, participates in a government
14 sponsored business mentoring program such as the Internal Revenue Service's
15 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program or the Small Business
16 Administration's SCORE program or participates in an advisory role for a similar
17 charitable, civic or other non-profit organization continues to be eligible for retired
18 status.

19 (2) Licensees providing such uncompensated volunteer services have the responsibility
20 to maintain professional competence relative to the volunteer services they provide
21 even though exempted from CPE requirements.

22 (3) The board shall require licensees to affirm in writing their understanding of the
23 limited types of activities in which they may engage while in retired status and their
24 understanding that they have a professional duty to ensure that they hold the
25 professional competencies necessary to offer these limited volunteer services.

26 (4) Licensees may only convert to retired status if they hold a license in good standing
27 and not be subject to any sanction or disciplinary action.

28 (5) Compensated services do not include routine reimbursement for travel costs and
29 meals associated with the volunteer services or de minimis per diem amounts paid to
30 cover such expenses.

31 (6) A retired licensee shall place the word "retired" adjacent to the retired licensee's
32 CPA or Public Accountant title on any business card, letterhead or any other document.
33 A licensee may be held responsible for a third party incorrectly repeating the CPA's title

1 and shall make reasonable efforts to assure that the word "retired" is used in
2 conjunction with CPA. Any of these terms must not be applied in such a manner that
3 could likely confuse the public as to the current status of the licensee. The licensee will
4 not be required to have a certificate issued with the word "retired" on the certificate.

5 (7) A licensee in "retired" status is not required:
6 (A) to maintain CPE; and
7 (B) provide fingerprinting in accordance with §515.1(d) of this chapter unless the retired
8 status is removed.

9 (8) A retired licensee shall not offer or render professional services that require the
10 retired licensee's signature and use of the CPA title either with or without "retired"
11 attached, except a retired licensee may sign the work experience form of an applicant
12 for CPA certification if the supervision occurred prior to retirement.

13 (9) Upon reentry into the workforce, the licensee must notify the board and request a
14 new license renewal notice and:
15 (A) pay the license fee established by the board for the period since the licensee
16 became employed;
17 (B) complete a new license renewal notice; and
18 (C) meet the CPE requirements for the period since the licensee was granted the retired
19 status as required by §523.113(3) of this title (relating to Exemptions from CPE).

20 (b) Disability status. Disability status may be granted to an individual who submits to the
21 board a statement and an affidavit from the licensee's physician which identifies the
22 disability and states that the individual is unable to work because of a severe ongoing
23 physical or mental impairment or medical condition that is not likely to improve within
24 the next 12 consecutive months. This status may be granted only at the time of license
25 renewal.

26 (1) Disability status is immediately revoked upon:
27 (A) the CPA reentering the workforce in a position that has an association with
28 accounting work for which the CPA receives compensation; or
29 (B) the CPA serving on a Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, or in a similar
30 governance position unless the service is for a charity, civic, or similar non-profit
31 organization.

1 (2) Upon reentry into the workforce under such conditions, the individual must notify the
2 board and request a new license renewal notice and:
3 (A) pay the license fee established by the board for the period since the individual
4 became employed;
5 (B) complete a new license renewal notice;
6 (C) meet the CPE requirements for the period pursuant to §523.113(3) of this title; and
7 (D) provide the fingerprinting required in §515.1(d) of this chapter unless previously
8 submitted.

9 (c) For purposes of this section the term "association with accounting" shall include **any**
10 **of** the following:
11 (1) working or providing oversight of accounting or supervising work performed in the
12 areas of financial accounting and reporting; tax compliance, planning or advice;
13 management advisory services; accounting information systems; treasury, finance, or
14 audit; **or**
15 (2) representing to the public, including an employer, that the individual is a CPA or
16 public accountant in connection with the sale of any services or products involving
17 accounting services or work, as provided for in §501.52(22) of this title (relating to
18 Definitions) including such designation on a business card, letterhead, proxy statement,
19 promotional brochure, advertisement, or office; **or**
20 (3) offering testimony in a court of law purporting to have expertise in accounting and
21 reporting, auditing, tax, or management services; **or**
22 (4) **A faculty member of an educational institution offering accounting services to**
23 **the public; providing instruction in accounting courses; or**
24 (5) for purposes of making a determination as to whether the individual fits one of the
25 categories listed in this section the questions shall be resolved in favor of including the
26 work as an "association with accounting."
27 (d) Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the board's disciplinary authority with
28 regard to a license in retired or disabled status. All board rules and all provisions of the
29 Act apply to an individual in retired or disability status.

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- C. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 518.5 (Unlicensed Entities)*.

DISCUSSION: A licensee with both an unregistered entity and a CPA firm may refer to the provision of accounting services so long as there is a clarification or disclosure that the accounting services will be provided by the CPA firm. Under current rules the disclosure must be in conspicuous proximity to the name of the unlicensed entity and in a font not less bold than what is contained in the body of the letterhead. The proposed rule revision eliminates the bolded lettering and the proximity to the unlicensed firm name.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff is recommending that the committee recommend to the Board that the proposed rule be published in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

SUGGESTED MOTION: The committee recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director publish the proposed rule in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

1 CHAPTER 518 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
2 RULE §518.5 Unlicensed Entities
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4 (a) An unlicensed entity is permitted to state that it has an ownership interest and a
5 business affiliation with a registered CPA firm provided each such statement complies
6 with subsection (b) of this section.

7 (b) In any letterhead, or in any advertising or promotional statements by an unlicensed
8 entity that refers to accounting, auditing or attest services or any derivative terms
9 associated with those services, there must be a statement that such services are only
10 performed by the affiliated registered CPA firm. ~~This statement must be included in
11 conspicuous proximity to the name of the unlicensed entity and be printed in type not
12 less bold than that contained in the body of the letterhead, advertisement or promotional
13 statement. If the advertisement is in audio format, the statement must be clearly
14 declared in each such presentation.~~

15 (c) An unlicensed entity performing attest services is in the unauthorized practice of
16 public accountancy and in violation of the Act and the board's rules except a firm
17 authorized to practice in this state pursuant to §901.461 of the Act (relating to Practice
18 by Certain Out-of-State Firms).

19 (d) Interpretative Comment: This section clarifies that the mere mention of a business
20 and ownership affiliation with a registered CPA firm on the letterhead, or in advertising
21 or promotional statements, of an unlicensed entity does not violate the Act when done in
22 compliance with the provisions of this section. This section also clarifies that the
23 letterhead, advertising or promotional statements of the unlicensed entity may refer to
24 accounting, auditing or attest services, or any derivative terms associated with those
25 services, without violating §901.453 of the Act (relating to Use of Other Titles or
26 Abbreviations). It also clarifies that all attest services must still be performed exclusively
27 by registered CPA firms in accordance with the Act and all board rules. The definition of
28 "attest services" is set forth in §501.52 of this title (relating to Definitions).

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- D. Discussion, consideration, and possible action concerning Board *Rule 523.113 (Exemptions from CPE)*.

DISCUSSION: A CPA faculty member at an educational institution may be exempt from CPE but only so long as they are not providing accounting services to the public.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff is recommending that the committee recommend to the Board that the proposed rule be published in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

SUGGESTED MOTION: The committee recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director publish the proposed rule in the *Texas Register* for public comment.

1 CHAPTER 523 CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION
2 RULE §523.113 Exemptions from CPE

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4 The board shall not issue or renew a license to an individual who has not earned the
5 required CPE credits unless an exemption has been granted by the board.

6 (1) The board may consider granting an exemption from the CPE requirement during
7 the period for which the exemption is requested on a case-by-case basis if:

8 (A) a licensee completes and forwards to the board an affidavit indicating that the
9 licensee is not employed; or

10 (B) a licensee completes and forwards to the board an affidavit indicating no association
11 with accounting. The affidavit shall include, as a minimum, a brief description of the
12 duties performed, job title, and verification by the licensee's immediate supervisor. For
13 purposes of this section, the term "association with accounting" shall include the
14 following:

15 (i) working, providing oversight of accounting, or supervising work performed in the
16 areas of financial accounting and reporting; tax compliance, planning or advice;
17 management advisory services; accounting information systems; treasury, finance, or
18 audit; or

19 (ii) representing to the public, including an employer, that the licensee is a CPA or public
20 accountant in connection with the sale of any services or products involving professional
21 accounting services as defined in the Rules of Professional Conduct, §501.52(22) of
22 this title (relating to Definitions), including such designation on a business card,
23 letterhead, proxy statement, promotional brochure, advertisement, or office; or

24 (iii) offering testimony in a court of law purporting to have expertise in accounting and
25 reporting, auditing, tax, or management services; or

26 (iv) for purposes of making a determination as to whether the licensee fits one of the
27 categories listed in this clause and clauses (i) - (iii) of this subparagraph, the questions
28 shall be resolved in favor of including the work as having an association with
29 accounting.

30 (C) a licensee not residing in Texas, who submits an affidavit to the board that the
31 licensee does not serve Texas clients from out of state;

32 (D) a licensee shows reasons of health, certified by a medical doctor, that prevent
33 compliance with the CPE requirement. A licensee must petition the board for the

1 exemption and provide documentation that clearly establishes the period of disability
2 and the resulting physical limitations;

3 (E) a licensee who is a military service member during the period for which the
4 exemption is requested, and files a copy of orders to active military duty with the board;
5 or

6 (F) a licensee shows reason which prevents compliance that is acceptable to the board.

7 (2) A licensee who has been granted the retired or disability status under §515.8 of this
8 title (relating to Retired or Disability Status) is not required to report any CPE credits.

9 (3) A licensee who no longer meets the eligibility requirements for an exemption under
10 this section or no longer qualifies for retired or disability status under §515.8 of this title
11 shall be required to report sufficient CPE credits to be in compliance with §523.112 of
12 this chapter (relating to Required CPE Participation). CPE credits shall be earned in the
13 technical area as described in §523.102 of this chapter (relating to CPE Purpose and
14 Definitions) and §523.130 of this chapter (relating to Ethics Course Requirements).

15 (4) **A faculty member may be exempt from CPE requirements as long as they do**
16 **not provide accounting services to the public.** A faculty member of an educational
17 institution may be exempt from CPE only when offering accounting services as a faculty
18 member.

Agenda Item V
Rules Committee Agenda
May 13, 2026
1:30 p.m.

E. Schedule next meeting.

Agenda Item VI
Report of the AICPA Exposure Draft Task Force
March 23, 2026
9:30 A.M.

A meeting of the AICPA Exposure Draft Task Force was convened on March 23, 2026 at 9:33 a.m. The following Task Force members, Board staff, and guests were present for the meeting:

Task Force Members Present:

Susan I. Adams, CPA
Ray R. Garcia, CPA
Chair
Susan M. Warren, CPA

Others Present:

Kenneth Besserman, Esq.
Elizabeth Brightwell
Jodi Ann Ray
Sean Tanglia

Staff Present:

Marissa Brooks
Ann Hallam, PMP
Brian O’Neal
J. Randel Hill, Esq.
John Moore, Esq.
William Treacy
Suzy Whittenton, CPA

Board Member Present:

Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Ex Officio

Ms. Warren, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. She announced that notice of the meeting, including all agenda items, was properly posted with the Secretary of State on March 13, 2026, at 3:07 p.m., in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Act), Docket No. 2026-001459. Roll was called and the Task Force members represented a quorum.

Purpose of Meeting

Mr. Garcia stated that the objectives of the meeting were to:

- Receive updates on responses from other states and firms.
- Discuss whether Texas should submit a response to the AICPA exposure draft.
- Identify key concerns and themes for inclusion in a response letter.
- Outline next steps for drafting and approval.

General Observations

- Many states and firms find the exposure draft **overly complex** and difficult to interpret.
- Independence concerns—especially related to **private equity ownership**—remain the central issue.
- Transparency and disclosure requirements were repeatedly emphasized as essential.

Key Issues Raised

- **Independence & Appearance:**
Members agreed independence must be clearly addressed, including independence *in appearance*, which some felt is insufficiently explicit in the draft.
- **Complexity & Usability:**
Several states have stated the draft is too complicated to regulate. Members stressed the need for principles-based guidance rather than rigid, example-driven rules.

- **Ownership & Upstream Influence:**
Concerns were raised about understanding and regulating upstream private-equity structures and potential influence on attest functions.
- **International Alignment:**
Questions were raised about whether the proposal aligns with international standards.
- **Practical Experience from PE-Affiliated Members:**
Members with private-equity experience reported no conflicts of interest in practice and described strong internal guardrails, but acknowledged structures vary widely across firms.

Consensus

- Texas **should submit a response** to the AICPA.
 - The response should emphasize:
 - Independence (including appearance)
 - Transparency and disclosure
 - Principles-based standards
 - Need for clarity and simplification
 - Regulatory enforceability
 - Alignment with international standards
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Motion

A motion was made by Susan Warren and seconded by Susan Adams to proceed with drafting a Texas response to December 29, 2025 AICPA Exposure Draft: *Proposed revisions related to alternative practice structures*.

Next Steps

- Staff will begin drafting the response letter incorporating task force comments.
 - The draft will be circulated individually to members for review.
 - The Task Force has authority to finalize the letter before the **April 30, 2026** deadline.
 - The final letter will be ratified at the May Board meeting.
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Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Agenda Item VII
Report of the Licensing Committee meeting
May 13, 2026
10:00 A.M.

- A.** Update regarding the total number of eligible candidates and 50-year honorees for the June 13th 2026 Swearing-in Ceremony, as well as a list of the Top Ten CPA candidates.
- B.** Update regarding NASBA and AICPA's joint CPE taskforce, including their key activities to evaluate the current CPE landscape and planned timeline for deliverables.
- C.** Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the following two ethics courses submitted for approval: *Ethics Training for Texas CPAs: Integrity, Independence and Insight* sponsored by Kaplan and *Ethics & Professional Responsibility for Texas CPAs*, sponsored by Center for Professional Education, Inc.

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- A.** Update regarding the total number of eligible candidates and 50-year honorees for the June 13th 2026 Swearing-in Ceremony, as well as a list of the Top Ten CPA candidates.

The Board will hold its next Swearing-in Ceremony on June 13, 2026 at the Palmer Events Center in Austin. The Licensing Division extended an invitation to 669 new CPAs, and 346 fifty-year honorees. Board members wishing to attend and participate in the ceremony are asked to notify Mr. Treacy at your earliest convenience.

Outstanding candidates to be recognized in June:

Willa Tao

PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP -
Houston
Rice University
Master of Accounting

Joshua Daniel Farish

Ernst & Young LLP- Houston
Baylor University
Master of Taxation

Peyton Gunter Adams

PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP
Texas A&M University
Master of Science in Accounting

Jerome Alexander McWilliams, III

Texas State University
The University of Texas at San Antonio
Doctorate of Philosophy

Allison Elizabeth Brown

Ernst & Young LLP- Dallas
Baylor University
Master of Accountancy

Able Evonne Celeste Grey

Figer & Company
Texas State University
Bachelor of Fine Arts

Matthew Blake Esquell

Deloitte & Touche LLP - Dallas
Texas A&M University
Master of Financial Management

Neha Uday Deshmukh

AT&T Services - Dallas
Texas A&M University
Master of Financial Management

Yahya Muhammad Tayyan

RSM US LLP - Houston
University of Houston
Bachelor of Business Administration

Mark Huynh

KPMG - Austin
The University of Texas at Austin
Bachelor of Business Administration

Recommendation: None by staff.

Suggested Motion: None by staff.

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- B.** Update regarding NASBA and AICPA’s joint CPE taskforce, including their key activities to evaluate the current CPE landscape and planned timeline for deliverables.

At its annual conference in March, NASBA provided an update on its CPE task force, which is a joint effort with the AICPA. The task force was created to evaluate the current CPE landscape and develop a recommendation for a future-minded CPE model. NASBA’s task force is taking a data-driven approach to determine: the amount of CPE sufficient for public protection, how the number of CPE credits translates into improved learning and job performance, how skill requirements vary within the profession, and how to develop a framework for CPE that is measurable and enforceable across jurisdictions.

The task force reported that it was on target to hire a vendor by March 31, 2026 to conduct research, analyze data, and provide recommendations. The task force projects to have a framework and recommendations developed by the third quarter of 2026 and to have model language and implementation guidance developed by the fourth quarter of 2026. A copy of the slide deck presented by the task force at NASBA’s annual conference is included in the materials.

Recommendation: None by staff.

Suggested Motion: None by staff.

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C. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the following two ethics courses submitted for approval: *Ethics Training for Texas CPAs: Integrity, Independence and Insight* sponsored by Kaplan and *Ethics & Professional Responsibility for Texas CPAs*, sponsored by Center for Professional Education, Inc.

DISCUSSION: The Committee will review and consider authorizing course materials authored by:

1. Authors/Instructors:

Brigid Fitzpatrick, CPA (TX# 127627) and Stacy Conrad, CPA (TX# 086190). This course was originally submitted to the Committee at its October 2025 meeting. The course has been revised to add additional content and is being resubmitted for consideration. The video is broken up into two separate portions. The links to each video portion are highlighted in the bookmarks for reference.

- Brigid Fitzpatrick, CPA, is an accounting professional and educator with extensive experience in taxation, ethics, and continuing professional education. She earned her MS in Accounting from Fairfield University and BS in Accountancy from Providence College, graduating with honors from both. Brigid has held tax management positions at Deloitte and BDO, advising clients on multistate compliance and consulting matters. She currently serves as a Content Specialist at Kaplan North America, where she develops and reviews ethics and technical accounting courses for continuing education programs.

- Stacy L. Conrad, CPA, is an accomplished accounting educator and practitioner with over 20 years of experience in higher education and public accounting. She holds both a BBA and MS in Accounting from Texas A&M University and has taught at institutions including the University of Texas at San Antonio, Pepperdine University, and the University of California, Davis. Stacy specializes in financial accounting, auditing, and professional ethics and also serves as Chief Accounting Officer for CPE Academy. Her teaching emphasizes ethical decision-making and real-world application drawn from her work at PwC and other leadership roles in industry.

Course title: Ethics Training for Texas CPAs: Integrity, Independence and Insight

Sponsor Name: Kaplan

Sponsor #: 004735

2. Author/Instructor:

James A. Tacker, CPA (TX# 018359). This is the first ethics course to be submitted by Mr. Tacker.

James A. Tacker's work in government, public accounting, technology, transportation and warehousing, distribution, non-profits and retailing provide him a solid foundation to analyze, develop and implement business opportunities. He has been a founder, partner, or manager in various public accounting entities and other entrepreneurial ventures over the last forty years. Development of work fundamentals and ethics started initially with participation in various family retailing and service businesses. After graduation from college, initial work experience included the Department of Defense and the Internal Revenue Service, and continued in public accounting. In 1979 he founded a public accounting firm which was subsequently sold to a national accounting firm in 1985 and remained with the national firm through 1987. In 1987 he founded a second public accounting practice focusing on tax and consulting, while searching for new ventures. In 1989 he was an original partner in a multi-location, multi-state transportation, warehousing and distribution company, and in 1993 he left to pursue other entrepreneurial ventures in retail distribution, telecommunications, and consulting and advisory services. In 2006 he started a third public accounting firm that provides tax and consulting services to a wide variety of clients. He has served various nonprofit boards in various capacities as a volunteer and as part of his public accounting practice served as chief financial officer of multiple non-profit organizations.

Course title: Ethics & Professional Responsibility for Texas CPAs

Sponsor Name: Center for Professional Education Inc.

Sponsor #: 003824

Recommendation: None by staff.

Suggested Motion: None by staff.

Agenda Item VIII
Behavioral Enforcement Committee Meeting
April 29, 2026

The Behavioral Enforcement Committee met on April 29, 2026, by video conference at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present

Jeannette P. Smith, CPA
Committee Chair
Susan I. Adams, CPA
Jill A. Holup
Bennett C. Allison, CPA
Patrick Durio, CPA
Phillip D. Johnson, CPA
Robert Ogle, CPA

Members Absent

Olivia Espinoza-Riley, CPA
James M. Trippon, CPA

Staff Present

Paulette Beiter, Esq.
J. Randel (Jerry) Hill, Esq.

A. AFTER GIVING THESE MATTERS DUE CONSIDERATION, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THEY BE DISMISSED BASED UPON INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF A VIOLATION OF THE ACT OR THE RULES:

1. **Investigation Nos. 26-03-05L:** Respondent allegedly advised one spouse there would be no consequences if refunds from amended returns were diverted from a joint account to a personal count. **(Board approval required)**
2. **Investigation Nos. 26-03-08L & 26-03-09L:** Respondents allegedly omitted W-2 income from a return and then charged the client to amend the return and filed a business return late. **(Board approval required)**
3. **Investigation Nos. 26-02-09L & 26-02-10L:** Respondents allegedly failed to file corporate tax returns, failed to provide requested documents and did not properly withdraw from an engagement. **(Board approval required)**
4. **Investigation No. 26-03-14L:** Respondent allegedly advised a colleague to sign clients' municipal tax returns. **(Board approval required)**

B. AFTER GIVING THESE MATTERS DUE CONSIDERATION, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THEY BE DISMISSED BASED UPON VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE WITH THE ACT AND THE RULES:

- **Investigation Nos. 25-09-01L & 25-09-02L:** Respondent allegedly failed to respond to a client's repeated efforts to contact her. **(Board approval required)**

C. AFTER GIVING THIS MATTER DUE CONSIDERATION, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS GRANTING APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF HIS CERTIFICATE:

- **Investigation No. 23-10-05L:** Applicant surrendered his certificate in 2023 after receiving deferred adjudication for a Class A misdemeanor. The misdemeanor was dismissed. **(Board approval required)**

D. OTHER: The committee considered other matters during its meeting; however, no action is required.

Agenda Item IX
Technical Standards Review Committee
April 1, 2026

The Technical Standards Review Committee met on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, by video conference beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present

Ray R. Garcia, CPA,
Committee Chair
Kimberly Crawford, CPA
Sheila Vallés-Pankratz
Susan Warren, CPA
Douglas Koval, CPA
Juliet Williams, CPA

Member Absent

Dilliana Stewart, CPA

Staff Present

J. Randel Hill, Esq.
John Moore, Esq.
Peter DelVecchia
(Consultant)

- **OTHER:** The committee considered eleven matters during its meeting; however, these matters do not require Board action at this time.

Agenda Item X
Consideration of Agreed Consent Orders &
Administrative Disciplinary Actions
May 14, 2026

A. AGREED CONSENT ORDERS

Behavioral Enforcement Committee

- Investigation Nos. 25-11-03L & 25-11-04L

Technical Standards Review Committee

1. Investigation No. 25-06-01L
2. Investigation Nos. 26-04-03L & 26-04-04L

B. ADMINISTRATIVE DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

1. Investigation Nos. 25-12-10001 – 25-12-10094
2. Investigation Nos. 26-01-10001 – 26-01-10092
3. Investigation Nos. 25-12-10095 – 25-12-10247
4. Investigation Nos. 26-01-10093 – 26-01-10213
5. Investigation Nos. 25-12-10248 – 25-12-10261
6. Investigation Nos. 26-01-10214 – 26-01-10232

The Respondents failed to comply with CPE reporting requirements found in Chapter 523 of the *Rules* and *Act Section 901.411 (Continuing Professional Education)*. The Respondents, although provided with a preliminary report and having been notified of the proposed disciplinary action and their right to a hearing on the matter, failed to request a hearing. Staff recommends that the license of each Respondent still not in compliance be suspended for a period of three years, or until he or she complies with the licensing requirements of the *Act*, whichever is sooner. Additionally, staff recommends a \$100 penalty be imposed for each year a Respondent is not in compliance with the Board's CPE requirements. Respondents violated Board *Rules 501.94 (Mandatory CPE)*, *523.111 (Required CPE Reporting)*, and *Act Section 901.411*. No Board committee considered these actions.

3. Investigation Nos. 25-12-10095 – 25-12-10247

4. Investigation Nos. 26-01-10093 – 26-01-10213

3. Respondents: In the Matter of Disciplinary Action Against Certain Certificate Holders for Failure to Complete License Notice

The Respondents failed to complete their license renewal notices in accordance with Board *Rule 515.3 (License Renewals for Individuals and Firm Offices)*.

Respondents, although properly notified of the proposed disciplinary action and their right to a hearing on the matter, failed to request a hearing. Staff recommends the certificate of each Respondent not in compliance be revoked without prejudice until such time as the Respondent complies with the requirements of the *Rules* and the *Act*. Respondents violated *Act Section 901.502(12) (Violations of Board Rules)*. No Board committee considered these actions.

5. Investigation Nos. 25-12-10248 – 25-12-10261

6. Investigation Nos. 26-01-10214 – 26-01-10232

Agenda Item XI
Consideration of Adoption of Board Rules
May 14, 2026

DISCUSSION: The rules listed below were proposed for amendment on first reading at the March 12, 2026 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommends that the proposed rules be adopted as presented on second reading.

SUGGESTED MOTION: That the proposed rules listed below be adopted as presented on second reading.

1. 511.22 (*Filing of the Application of Intent*)
2. 511.26 (*Applications under Prior Acts*)
3. 511.51 (*Educational Definitions*)
4. 511.53 (*Evaluation of International Education Documents*)
5. 511.54 (*Recognized Texas Community Colleges*)
6. 511.56 (*Educational Qualifications under Act to take the UCPAE*)
7. 511.57 (*Courses in an Accounting Concentration to Take the UCPAE*) (*Repeal*)
8. 511.57 (*Courses in an Accounting Concentration to Take the UCPAE*) (*New*)
9. 511.58 (*Related Business Subjects*)
10. 511.59 (*Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours*)
11. 511.72 (*Uniform Examination*)
12. 511.73 (*Notice to Applicant to Schedule Taking a CPA Exam Section*)
13. 511.77 (*Scoring*)
14. 511.80 (*Granting of Credit*)
15. 511.82 (*Application for Transfer of Credit*)
16. 511.83 (*Granting of Credit by Transfer of Credit*)
17. 511.87 (*Loss of Credit*)
18. 511.94 (*Documentation of the Need for an Accommodation*)
19. 511.97 (*Examination of Applicant Approved with Accommodation*)
20. 511.107 (*No-Show, Late Arrival and Late Cancellation*)
21. 511.122 (*Acceptable Work Experience*)
22. 511.123 (*Reporting Work Experience*)
23. 511.124 (*Acceptable Supervision*)
24. 511.161 (*Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate*)
25. 511.163 (*Examination on the Board's Rules of Professional Conduct Requirements*)
26. 511.164 (*Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours*)

Adopted Amendment

§511.22. Filing of the Application of Intent

(a) The filing of the application of intent shall be made on forms prescribed by the board and shall also be in compliance with board rules and with all applicable laws. The application of intent may be submitted at any time and will be used to determine compliance and eligibility for an applicant to take the UCPAE. The application of intent will remain active until:

(1) an applicant takes at least one section of the UCPAE within two years from the date of submission of the application; or

(2) the second anniversary of the submission of the application has lapsed.

(b) Each applicant who submits an application of intent to determine eligibility for the UCPAE must pay a nonrefundable filing fee in accordance with §521.12 of this title (relating to Filing Fee) unless the applicant qualifies for a military exemption as described in §55.009 of the Occupations Code (relating to License Application and Examination Fee). An application of intent not accompanied by the proper fee or required documents shall not be considered complete. The withholding of information, a misrepresentation, or any untrue statement on the application or supplemental documents will be cause for rejection of the application.

(c) Each applicant must provide official educational documents to be used in determining compliance with the applicable education requirements of the Act and board rules.

(d) Each applicant must comply with the board's fingerprinting process that accesses the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) database and the Texas Department of Public Safety-Crime Records division files. This is necessary to ensure an applicant to take the uniform CPA examination or to receive a certificate lacks a history of dishonest or felonious acts and the board is aware of any criminal activity that might be relevant to the applicant's qualifications to take the UCPAE.

(e) Each applicant will be notified when all requirements have been met to apply to take the UCPAE, and with the notification, an examination application will be made available to the applicant.

(f) Each applicant must provide a copy of the following documents:

(1) Unexpired driver's license issued by a state of the United States provided it contains a photograph and information such as name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color, and address; or an unexpired United States passport; and

(2) social security card. Such information shall be considered confidential and can only be disclosed under the provisions of the Act.

(g) Applicants who are citizens of a foreign country and who cannot meet the requirements of subsection (f) of this section shall comply by providing evidence of a non-expired F-1 Visa or Form I-797 Extension with the expired F-1 Visa issued to students attending a university or college. The board may consider an F-1 Visa with a Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status. Form I-20 shall be approved by the designated school official at the educational institution where the applicant is currently attending.

(h) Applicants who cannot meet the requirements of subsection (f) or (g) of this section may be eligible to take the UCPAE by providing evidence of both identity and employment authorization by submitting a copy of one of the following unexpired documents:

(1) An Alien Registration Receipt Card or Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551); or

(2) A foreign passport that contains a temporary I-551 stamp, or temporary I-551 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa; or (3) An Employment Authorization Document which contains a photograph (Form I-766).

Adopted Amendment

§511.26. Applications under Prior Acts

An applicant who applies and is approved for the UCPAE or certification under a prior Act shall continue to be eligible to take the UCPAE or to be certified. The applicant may re-qualify to another education requirement of the Act under which the applicant qualified, or may re-qualify to the education of the current Act.

Adopted Amendment

§511.51. Educational Definitions

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings for this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

(1) "Semester" means and normally shall include 15 weeks for instruction and one week for final examination or a total of 16 weeks instruction and examination combined.

(2) "Semester credit hour" or "semester hour" means a unit of measure of instruction consisting of 60 minutes, of which 50 minutes must be direct instruction, over a 15-week period in a semester system or a 10-week period in a quarter system.

(3) "Recognized community college" means a Texas community college or campus of the community college that holds the designation 'Qualifying Educational Credit for the CPA Examination' awarded by the board.

(4) "Extension school" and "correspondence school" means a program within an institution that offers courses that are not equivalent to courses offered in an academic department at the institution and the courses are not listed on an official transcript from the institution.

(5) "Institution" or "Institution of Higher Education" means any U.S. public or private senior college or university which confers a baccalaureate or higher degree to its students completing a program of study required for the degree.

(6) "Independent study" means academic work selected or designed by the student with the pre-approval of the appropriate department or a college or university under faculty supervision. This work typically occurs outside of the regular classroom structure.

(7) "Internship" means faculty pre-approved and appropriately supervised short-term work experience, usually related to a student's major field of study, for which the student earns academic credit.

(8) "Proprietary organization" means a CPA review course provider.

(9) "Quarter hour" is the unit of measurement based upon an institution of higher education system that divides the academic year into three equal sessions of 10 to 11 weeks. A quarter hour represents proportionately less work than a semester hour because of the shorter session and is counted as 2/3 of a semester credit hour for each hour of credit.

(10) "Reporting institution" means the institution of higher education in the state that serves as the clearinghouse for educational institutions of higher education in Texas. Currently, the University of Texas-Austin is the reporting institution for the state of Texas.

(11) "SACS" means the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools-Commission on Colleges.

(12) "Transcript," "Official Transcript" or "Official Educational Document" means a document prepared by an institution that contains a record of the academic coursework offered by an academic department that a student has taken, grades and credits earned, and degrees awarded. The document is printed on paper bearing a watermark specific to the institution and is embossed with the institution's seal, date and the signature of the Registrar who is responsible for certifying coursework and degrees. The document may be provided electronically from the institution or its authorized agent.

(13) "Upper Level Accounting Course" means at a minimum junior and senior year course work that requires the successful completion of introductory or basic course work before it can be taken.

(14) "Upper Level Business Course" means at a minimum junior and senior year course work that requires the successful completion of introductory or basic course work before it can be taken.

Adopted Amendment

§511.53. Evaluation of International Education Documents

(a) It is the responsibility of the board to confirm that education obtained at colleges and universities outside of the United States (international education) is equivalent to education earned at board-recognized institutions of higher education in the U.S.

(b) The board shall use, at the expense of the applicant, the services of the University of Texas at Austin, Office of the Admissions to validate, review, and evaluate international education documents submitted by an applicant to determine if the courses taken and degrees earned are substantially equivalent to those offered by the board-recognized institutions of higher education located in the U.S. The evaluation shall provide the following information to the board:

(1) Degrees earned by the applicant that are substantially equivalent to those conferred by a board-recognized institution of higher education in the U.S. that meets § 511.52 of this chapter (relating to Recognized Institutions of Higher Education);

(2) The total number of semester hours or quarter hour equivalents earned that are substantially equivalent to those earned at U.S. institutions of higher education;

(3) The total number of semester hours or quarter hour equivalents earned in accounting coursework that meets § 511.57 of this chapter (relating to Courses in an Accounting Concentration to take the UCPAE);

(4) An analysis of the title and content of courses taken that are substantially equivalent to courses listed in § 511.57 of this chapter; and

(5) The total number of semester hours or quarter hour equivalents earned in business coursework that meets § 511.58 of this chapter (relating to Related Business Subjects).

(c) The University of Texas at Austin, Office of the Admissions may use the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) material, including the Electronic Database for Global Education (EDGE), in evaluating international education documents.

(d) Other evaluation or credentialing services of international education are not accepted by the board.

(e) Credits may not be awarded for coursework taken through the following organizations and shown on a transcript from an institution of higher education to meet the requirements of this chapter:

- (1) American College Education (ACE);
- (2) Prior Learning Assessment (PLA);
- (3) Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES);
- (4) Defense Subject Standardized Test (DSST); and
- (5) StraighterLine.

Adopted Amendment

§511.54. Recognized Texas Community Colleges

- (a) An applicant who has completed a baccalaureate or higher degree from a board recognized institution of higher education based on the requirements of §511.52 of this chapter (relating to Recognized Institutions of Higher Education), may enter into a course of study at a board recognized Texas community college to complete the educational requirements of §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter (relating to Courses in an Accounting Concentration to take the UCPAE, and Related Business Subjects).
- (b) The board recognizes and accepts Texas community colleges that meet board standards for a comprehensive academic program based on the educational requirements of §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter.
- (c) Effective August 1, 2015, the standards include at a minimum all, but are not limited to, the following:
- (1) The Texas community college must be accredited by SACS.
 - (2) Academic accounting and business courses recognized as meeting §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter are deemed by the board as equivalent to upper level coursework at an institution of higher education and must contain a rigorous curriculum that is similar to courses offered in a baccalaureate degree program at a university. Accounting, business, and ethics courses must be developed by a group of full time accounting faculty members and approved by the board prior to offering to students. Modifications to an approved course must be reconsidered by the board prior to offering to students.
 - (3) Academic courses meeting §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter must be taken after completing a baccalaureate degree.
 - (4) The Texas community college must offer at least:
 - (A) 27 semester hours of academic accounting courses meeting §511.57 of this chapter; and
 - (B) 24 semester hours of academic business courses, to include a three-semester hour ethics course, meeting §511.58 of this chapter.
 - (5) The Texas community college designates an accounting faculty member(s) who is responsible for:

- (A) managing the comprehensive academic program at all campuses;
 - (B) selecting and training qualified faculty members to teach the program courses and regularly evaluating their effectiveness in the classroom;
 - (C) establishing and maintaining a rigorous program curriculum;
 - (D) establishing and maintaining a process for advising and guiding students through the program; and
 - (E) providing annual updates to the board on the status of the academic program.
- (6) Faculty members at a community college recognized and accepted by the board must have the following credentials to teach academic courses meeting §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter:
- (A) Doctorate or master's degree in the teaching discipline; or
 - (B) Master's degree with a concentration in the teaching discipline (a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in the teaching discipline).
- (7) At least three-fourths of the faculty members who are responsible to teach academic courses meeting §511.57 of this chapter must hold a current CPA license.
- (8) Faculty members will comply with the established educational definitions in §511.51 of this chapter (relating to Educational Definitions).
- (9) The Texas community college will provide ongoing professional development for its faculty as teachers, scholars, and CPA practitioners.
- (10) The Texas community college will make available to students a resource library containing current online authoritative literature to support the academic courses meeting §§511.57, and 511.58 of this chapter, and will incorporate the online authoritative literature in accounting courses.
- (d) A community college recognized and accepted by the board under this provision must be reconsidered by the board on the fifth-year anniversary of the approval. Information brought to the attention of the board by a student or faculty member of the Texas community college that indicates non-compliance with the standards may cause the board to accelerate reconsideration.

Adopted Amendment

§511.56. Educational Qualifications under the Act to take the UCPAE

(a) An applicant for the UCPAE under the current Act shall meet the following educational requirements in order to qualify to take the examination:

(1) hold a baccalaureate or graduate degree conferred by an institution of higher education as defined by §511.52 of this chapter (relating to Recognized Institutions of Higher Education) recognized by the board; and

(2) present official transcripts showing the completion of at least 120 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of courses consisting of:

(A) effective through July 31, 2026, at least 21 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level accounting courses as defined by §511.57 of this chapter (relating to Courses in an Accounting Concentration to take the UCPAE);

(B) effective August 1, 2026, at least 24 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level accounting courses as defined by §511.57 of this chapter; and

(C) at least 21 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level related business courses, as defined by §511.58 of this chapter (relating to Related Business Subjects).

(b) An individual holding a baccalaureate degree conferred by a board-recognized institution of higher education, as defined by §511.52 of this chapter, and who has not completed the requirements of this section shall meet the requirements by taking coursework in one of the following ways:

(1) complete upper level or graduate courses at a board-recognized institution of higher education as defined in §511.52 of this chapter that meets the requirements of subsection (a)(2)(A) and (B) of this section; or

(2) enroll in a board-recognized community college as defined in §511.54 of this chapter (relating to Recognized Texas Community Colleges) and complete board approved accounting or business courses that meet the requirements of subsection (a)(2)(A) and (B) of this section. Only specified accounting and business courses that are approved by the board will be accepted as not all courses offered at a community college are accepted.

(c) The following courses, courses of study, certificates, and programs may not be used to meet the 120-semester hour requirement:

(1) remedial or developmental courses offered at an institution of higher education;

(2) CPA Review coursework offered at an institution of higher education;

(3) additional independent study courses beyond coursework defined in §511.57 of this chapter;

(4) accounting/business course internships beyond coursework defined in §511.58 of this chapter; and

(5) credits may not be awarded for coursework taken through the following organizations and shown on a transcript from an institution of higher education to meet the requirements of this chapter:

(A) American College Education (ACE);

(B) Prior Learning Assessment (PLA);

(C) Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES);

(D) Defense Subject Standardized Test (DSST); and

(E) StraighterLine.

(d) The semester hours from a course that has been repeated will be counted only once toward the requirements of subsection (a)(2) of this section.

(e) An applicant for the UCPAE who met the educational requirements of §511.57 and §511.58 of this chapter that were in effect at the time of examination shall continue to be examined under those requirements unless the applicant elects to meet the current education requirements of the rules, in effect on August 1, 2026.

Adopted Repeal

§511.57. Courses in an Accounting Concentration to Take the UCPAE

Adopted New Rule

§511.57. Courses in an Accounting Concentration to Take the UCPAE

(a) To take the UCPAE, a minimum of 12 semester hours of upper level accounting courses, with at least three semester hours from each of subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this subsection is required. The courses must meet the board's standards: contain sufficient accounting knowledge and application to be useful to candidates taking the UCPAE; include subject-matter content derived from the UCPAE Blueprint; and must be completed at a board recognized institution of higher education and shown on an official transcript from the institution:

(1) financial accounting and reporting for business organizations or intermediate accounting;

(2) financial statement auditing;

(3) taxation; and

(4) accounting information systems or accounting data analytics.

(b) In addition to subsection (a) of this section, effective through July 31, 2026, a minimum of 9 semester hours in any of the following accounting course content areas is required; effective August 1, 2026, a minimum of 12 semester hours in any of the following accounting course content areas is required:

(1) financial accounting and reporting for business organizations or intermediate accounting;

(2) advanced accounting;

(3) accounting theory;

(4) managerial or cost accounting (excluding introductory level courses);

(5) auditing and attestation services;

(6) internal accounting control and risk assessment;

(7) financial statement analysis;

(8) accounting research and analysis;

(9) taxation (including tax research and analysis);

(10) financial accounting and reporting for governmental and/or other nonprofit entities;

(11) accounting information systems, including management information systems ("MIS"), provided the MIS courses are listed or cross-listed as accounting courses, and

the institution of higher education accepts these courses as satisfying the accounting course requirements for graduation with a degree in accounting;

(12) accounting data analytics;

(13) fraud examination;

(14) international accounting and financial reporting;

(15) mergers and acquisitions;

(16) financial planning;

(17) at its discretion, the board may accept up to three semester hours of credit of accounting course work with substantial merit in the context of a career in public accounting, provided the course work is predominantly accounting or auditing in nature but not included in paragraphs (1) - (16) of this subsection. For any course submitted under this provision, the Accounting Faculty Head or Chair must affirm to the board in writing the course's merit and content; and

(18) at its discretion, the board may accept up to three semester credit hours of independent study in accounting selected or designed by the student under faculty supervision. The curriculum for the course shall not repeat the curriculum of another accounting course that the student has completed.

(c) The semester hours from a course that has been repeated will be counted only once toward the required semester hours.

(d) The following types of introductory courses do not meet the accounting course definition in subsections (a) and (b) of this section:

(1) elementary accounting;

(2) principles of accounting;

(3) financial and managerial accounting;

(4) introductory accounting courses; and

(5) accounting software courses.

(e) Any CPA review course offered by an institution of higher education or a proprietary organization shall not be used to meet the accounting course requirement.

(f) CPE courses shall not be used to meet the accounting course requirement.

(g) An ethics course required in §511.58(c) of this chapter (relating to Related Business Subjects) shall not be used to meet the accounting course requirement in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(h) Accounting courses completed through an extension school of a board recognized educational institution may be accepted by the board provided that the courses are accepted for a business baccalaureate or higher degree conferred by that educational institution.

(i) The board may review the content of accounting courses and determine if they meet the requirements of this section.

(j) Credits may not be awarded for coursework taken through the following organizations and shown on a transcript from an institution of higher education to meet the requirements of this chapter:

(1) American College Education (ACE);

(2) Prior Learning Assessment (PLA);

(3) Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES);

(4) Defense Subject Standardized Test (DSST); and

(5) Straighterline.

Adopted Amendment

§511.58. Related Business Subjects

(a) Related business courses are those business courses that a board recognized institution of higher education accepts for a business baccalaureate or higher degree by that educational institution.

(b) The board will accept a minimum of 21 semester credit hours of upper level courses (for the purposes of this subsection, economics and statistics at any college level will count as upper level courses) as related business subjects, taken at a recognized educational institution shown on official transcripts or accepted by a recognized educational institution for purposes of obtaining a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent, in the following areas.

- (1) business law, including study of the Uniform Commercial Code;
- (2) economics;
- (3) management;
- (4) marketing;
- (5) business communications;
- (6) statistics and quantitative methods;
- (7) information systems, technology or accounting/business software;
- (8) finance and financial planning;
- (9) data analytics, data interrogation techniques, cyber security and/or digital acumen in the accounting context;
- (10) no more than 6 credit semester hours of upper level business or accounting internship taken at a Board recognized educational institution of higher education; and
- (11) other areas related to accounting.

(c) The Board requires a three semester hour accounting or business ethics course that includes a framework of ethical reasoning, including the core values of integrity, objectivity, and independence, professional values, and attitudes for exercising professional skepticism and other behavior in the best interest of the public and profession and shall include the ethics rules of the AICPA and the SEC. The course may be taken to meet the education requirements of §511.56 of this chapter (related to Educational Qualifications under the Act to take the UCPAE); or the certification

requirements of §511.59 of this chapter (related to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours); or §511.164 of this chapter (related to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours).

(d) The board may review the content of business courses and determine if they meet the requirements of this section.

(e) Credit for hours taken at recognized institutions of higher education using the quarter system shall be counted as 2/3 of a semester hour for each hour of credit received under the quarter system.

(f) A course that was repeated will be counted only once to meet the requirements of this section.

(g) Related business courses completed through and offered by an extension school, correspondence school, or continuing education program of a board recognized educational institution may be accepted by the board, provided that the courses are accepted for a business baccalaureate or higher degree conferred by that educational institution.

(h) Credits may not be awarded for coursework taken through the following organizations and shown on a transcript from an institution of higher education to meet the requirements of this chapter:

- (1) American College Education (ACE);
- (2) Prior Learning Assessment (PLA);
- (3) Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES);
- (4) Defense Subject Standardized Test (DSST); and
- (5) StraighterLine.

Adopted Amendment

§511.59. Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours

(a) Effective August 1, 2026, an applicant who meets the education requirements of §§511.56, 511.57 and 511.58 of this chapter (relating to Educational Qualifications under the Act to take the UCPAE, Courses in an Accounting Concentration to take the UCPAE, and Related Business Subjects), may elect to qualify for CPA certification by completing the requirements in subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

(b) An applicant for CPA certification under this section shall complete upper level accounting courses as defined by §511.57 of this chapter equal to or in excess of 27 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level accounting courses.

(c) The work experience shall be at least two years of full time, non-routine accounting experience as defined by §511.122 and §511.123 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Work Experience and Reporting Work Experience) and supervised by a CPA as defined by §511.124 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Supervision).

(d) The following courses, courses of study, certificates, and programs may not be used to meet the certification requirement:

(1) remedial or developmental courses offered at an institution of higher education;

(2) CPA Review coursework offered at an institution of higher education;

(3) additional independent study courses beyond coursework defined in §511.57 of this chapter; and

(4) accounting/business course internships beyond coursework defined in §511.58 of this chapter.

Adopted Amendment

§511.72. Uniform Examination

(a) The board shall contract with NASBA for the administration of the UCPAE, in conjunction with the AICPA and a test vendor. The examination shall be offered as determined by the AICPA, NASBA, and the testing vendor. The examination may be offered at the following locations provided they are secure, approved and monitored by the board or its designee and the testing vendor:

(1) at the board's office; and

(2) at testing facilities established by NASBA and the testing vendor.

(b) The board shall utilize the UCPAE available from the AICPA covering the following sections until such time as the UCPAE is restructured by the AICPA:

(1) auditing and attestation (AUD);

(2) financial accounting and reporting (FAR);

(3) taxation and regulation (REG);

(4) business analysis and reporting (BAR);

(5) information systems and controls (ISC); and

(6) tax compliance and planning (TCP).

(c) If the UCPAE is restructured by the AICPA, the board shall utilize the UCPAE available from the AICPA that tests the knowledge and skills required for performance as a newly licensed certified public accountant. The examination shall include the subject areas of accounting and auditing and related knowledge and skills as the board may require. The board shall determine the manner in which credit for a subject is integrated into the new structure.

(d) An applicant taking a section of the UCPAE shall pay an examination fee to NASBA, when required by NASBA, and an eligibility fee to the board pursuant to §521.14 of this title (relating to Eligibility Fee).

(e) An applicant taking the examination is required to have in their possession the Notice to Schedule form provided by NASBA, and a government-issued form of identification containing a photograph of the applicant.

(f) An applicant taking the examination shall sign a statement of confidentiality and conduct which the applicant must follow during the entire examination.

Adopted Amendment

§511.73. Notice to Applicant to Schedule Taking a CPA Exam Section

- (a) Upon approval of the eligibility application, the board shall inform an examination applicant that they have 180 days from the date of approval in which to take a section of the UCPAE.
- (b) An applicant is required to pay an examination fee to NASBA for the examination section for which the applicant has applied.
- (c) After payment of the examination fee, an applicant is required to schedule with the test vendor to take the section at a board-approved location.
- (d) An applicant who fails to pay the required examination fee to NASBA or fails to take a section of the UCPAE within the 180-day eligibility period must reapply to the board and pay the required fees to establish a new eligibility period.

Adopted Amendment

§511.77. Scoring

(a) Scoring of the UCPAE shall be performed by the AICPA, subject to the approval of the board. An applicant must earn a minimum passing score established through a psychometrically acceptable standard-setting procedure approved by the board. The minimum score is 75. The board shall establish a method for accurately tracking and recording an applicant's score. An applicant will be notified of the score no later than the 30th day after the day on which the board receives the applicant's score from NASBA, unless board action is pending; in which case, the applicant is precluded from receiving the UCPAE score until the board action is resolved. In no event will any information concerning the applicant's performance on the UCPAE be released to anyone other than the applicant unless the applicant has delivered written authorization to the board.

(b) An applicant may request a score review of the UCPAE results from the most recent testing event established by the AICPA and shall pay the fee associated with the score review.

(c) Applicants are advised ahead of time that fewer than 1% of all requested score reviews, since the inception of the UCPAE computer-based testing, have resulted in a change to a score.

(d) The UCPAE results are subject to routine quality controls and are scored twice by the AICPA before scores are released to the board. The score review is a verification that the approved answer key was applied correctly to the UCPAE section and that the written response questions were scored. The score review is not:

- (1) A regrading of the UCPAE section;
- (2) An opportunity to find additional points;
- (3) An opportunity to review content; or
- (4) An opportunity to have an alternate response considered.

Adopted Amendment

§511.80. Granting of Credit

(a) Upon earning a passing score on the following sections as determined by board rule, the board shall grant credit for the satisfactory completion of the following sections of the UCPAE:

(1) auditing and attestation (AUD);

(2) financial accounting and reporting (FAR);

(3) taxation and regulation (REG); and

(4) one of the following discipline sections:

(A) business analysis and reporting (BAR);

(B) information systems and controls (ISC); or

(C) tax compliance and planning (TCP).

(b) The credit shall be valid for 30 months from the actual date of notification of passing score results. The 30 months may be temporarily extended by the executive director, in accordance with §901.307(b) of the Act (relating to Grading Examination), in order to provide for uniformity with other state regulatory authorities or for reasonably unforeseeable or uncontrollable events.

Unforeseeable and uncontrollable events include, but are not limited to, the health of the applicant, accidents limiting the applicant, military service, natural disasters, or acts of God to meet the vendor requirements of §511.87 (relating to Loss of Credit).

(c) An applicant must pass the remaining sections within the next 30 months. Should an applicant's exam credit be invalidated due to the expiration of 30 months without earning credit on the remaining sections, the applicant remains qualified to take the examination.

(d) An applicant receiving and retaining credit for every section on the UCPAE, within a 30-month period, shall be considered by the board to have completed the examination and may make application for certification as a CPA.

(e) An applicant under this section shall have 36 months from the time all test sections are passed to meet the education requirements of §511.164 of this chapter (relating to Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours) or the credit for all test sections will expire.

(f) Effective August 1, 2026, an applicant under this section shall have 36 months from the time all test sections are passed to meet the education requirements of §511.59 of this chapter (relating to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours) or the credit for all test sections will expire.

(g) An applicant who has received and retained credit for any or all sections on the UCPAE may transfer such credits to another licensing jurisdiction if the applicant pays in advance a transfer fee set by board rule as identified in §521.7 of this title (relating to Fee for Transfer of Credits).

(h) If the UCPAE is restructured by the AICPA, the board shall determine the manner in which active credit earned prior to the restructure for a subject is integrated into the new UCPAE.

Adopted Amendment

§511.82. Application for Transfer of Credits

(a) An applicant who has satisfactorily completed all or part of the UCPAE given by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction may make application to the board for the transfer of the credits provided:

(1) the examination was prepared and scored by the AICPA;

(2) the credits are active in the state of origin; and

(3) the applicant meets the requirements in effect in the state of origin at the time credit was earned so long as the state's standards are equal to or higher than those prescribed in the Act.

(b) The application shall be made on a form prescribed by the board, accompanied by the requisite fee set by the board and identified in §521.7 of this title (relating to Fee for Transfer of Credits). An applicant must also ensure that the board receives necessary documents from the licensing authority of another jurisdiction related to the applicant along with the scores made and credits earned by the applicant on all UCPAE that were taken under the jurisdiction of the licensing authority.

(c) An applicant must meet all of the eligibility requirements of the Act and board rules at the time credits were earned on the UCPAE.

(d) An applicant approved to transfer partial credits must then apply for the UCPAE.

(e) An applicant approved to transfer credits shall have 36 months from the time all test sections are passed to provide evidence of the completion of the education requirements of §511.164 of this chapter (relating to Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours) or effective August 1, 2026 meet the education requirements of §511.59 of this chapter (relating to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours) or the credit for all test sections will expire.

Adopted Amendment

§511.83. Granting of Credit by Transfer of Credit

(a) In order for the board to grant credit to an applicant for partial completion of the UCPAE given by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction the applicant must have met the following requirements:

- (1) earned a score of 75 or higher on any section of the examination;
- (2) was awarded credit by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction for the section(s) taken while an applicant of that board; and
- (3) the credit awarded by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction has not expired.

(b) If the board accepts transfers of credit, it will also accept transfers of credit for sections passed at subsequent examinations.

(c) The grades made by an applicant on sections under consideration must be the ones reported to the licensing authority of another jurisdiction by the AICPA through NASBA.

(d) An applicant allowed credit for each section passed must pass the remaining section(s) within the next 30 months from the date credit was awarded or forfeit credit received for that section.

(e) An applicant under this section shall have 36 months from the time all test sections are passed to meet the education requirements of §511.164 of this chapter (relating to Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours) or effective August 1, 2026 to meet the education requirements of §511.59 of this chapter (relating to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours) or the credit for all test sections will expire.

Adopted Amendment

§511.87. Loss of Credit

(a) An applicant having earned credit under this Act or a prior Act and who has two testing quarters remaining before the expiration of credits earned shall be notified prior to each UCPAE of these facts.

(b) An applicant failing to receive credit for all sections within the time limitation of this Act shall be notified that credits have expired.

(c) The expiration of credits shall not hinder an applicant from reapplying for the examination.

(d) Within 90 days of the date of expiration, the executive director may consider reinstatement of expired credits, provided the applicant substantiated unforeseeable and uncontrollable extreme hardship event(s), including:

(1) the health of the applicant;

(2) serious illness or death of an applicant's immediate family, that includes a spouse, child, sibling or parent;

(3) accidents limiting the applicant;

(4) military service; or

(5) natural disasters that contributed to the expiration of credits.

(e) An extreme hardship event that limits the applicant is defined as:

(1) a serious illness of an applicant or member of the immediate family, which includes a spouse, child, sibling or parent;

(2) death of an immediate family member; or

(3) accidents that impacts the applicant.

Adopted Amendment

§511.94. Documentation of the Need for an Accommodation

(a) Requirements of an applicant requesting accommodation.

(1) To protect the integrity of the testing process, the board requires documentation of the existence of a disability and reason the requested accommodation is necessary to provide the applicant with an equal opportunity to exhibit his/her knowledge, skills, and ability through the examination.

(2) An applicant requesting an accommodation shall have the professional certifying to the disability provide all of the information listed in subsection (c) of this section. For subsequent examinations, the applicant who was earlier provided an accommodation by the board shall submit a statement from the professional who previously certified to the disability condition stating that the disability condition has not changed to the extent that it would require a modification to the accommodation previously provided. The applicant is responsible for any costs involved in providing this documentation.

(3) An evaluation and documentation supporting a disability shall be valid for five years from the date submitted to the board, except that no further documentation shall be required where the evaluation clearly states that the disability will not change in the future.

(b) Additional requirements for an applicant with a learning disability.

(1) The applicant shall demonstrate:

(A) at least average overall intellectual functioning as measured by general cognitive ability tests; and

(B) evidence of a significant impairment in one or more of the following areas of intellectual functioning and information processing:

(i) attention and concentration;

(ii) efficiency and speed of information processing;

(iii) reception (perception and verbal comprehension);

(iv) memory (ability for new learning);

(v) cognition (thinking); and

(vi) expression.

(2) Significant impairment is generally determined by a discrepancy of 1.5 standard deviations, or more, between the applicant's intellectual functioning, as measured by general cognitive ability tests, and actual performance on reliable standardized measures of attention and concentration, memory, language reception and expression, cognition, as well as academic areas of reading, spelling, writing, and mathematics.

(3) Further, determination of the learning disability shall be based on reliable standardized psychometric tests of achievement and ability and a complete clinical history including medical, family, developmental, educational and occupational information.

(c) Information required to evaluate disabilities. An applicant who requests an accommodation and/or an auxiliary aid shall provide the board with the necessary information to evaluate the request. The board shall evaluate each request on a case-by-case basis. The following information is required to support requests for an accommodation and/or auxiliary aid:

(1) identification of the type of disability (physical, mental, learning);

(2) credential requirements of the evaluator:

(A) For physical or mental disabilities (not including learning), the evaluator shall be a licensed physician or psychologist with special expertise in the area of the disability. If someone else who does not fit these criteria completes the evaluation, the board may reject the unqualified evaluation and require another evaluation by a professional of its choosing, and the request may be delayed.

(B) In the case of learning disabilities, a qualified evaluator shall have sufficient experience to be considered qualified to evaluate the existence of learning disabilities and proposed accommodations needed for specific learning disabilities. The evaluator shall be one of the following:

(i) a licensed physician or psychologist who possesses a minimum of three years experience working with adults with learning disabilities, and who has training in all of the areas described in clause (ii) of this subparagraph; or

(ii) another professional who possesses a master's or doctoral degree in special education or educational psychology from an accredited institution, defined as being accredited or an applicant for accreditation, identified by the American Association of

Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, and who has at least three years of equivalent training and experience in all of the areas described in subclauses (I) - (IV) of this clause:

- (I) assessing intellectual ability level and interpreting tests of such ability;
 - (II) screening for cultural, emotional, and motivational factors;
 - (III) assessing achievement level; and
 - (IV) administering tests to measure attention and concentration, memory, language reception and expression, cognition, reading, spelling, writing, and mathematics.
- (3) Professional verification of the disability, which shall include:
- (A) the nature and extent of the disability;
 - (B) the test(s) performed to diagnose the disability, if applicable;
 - (C) the effect of the disability on the applicant's ability to perform under standard testing conditions;
 - (D) the recommended accommodation and how it relates to the applicant's disability, given the format of the examination;
 - (E) the professional's name, title, telephone number, professional license or certification number, educational credential, and his/her original signature; and
 - (F) a description of the professional's educational experience which qualifies him/her to make the determination.

Adopted Amendment

§511.97. Examination of Applicant Approved with Accommodation

- (a) A listing of available accommodations shall be provided to the board by NASBA.
- (b) If the board approves the applicant's request for accommodation, the board will notify the applicant and NASBA not less than 30 days prior to the date that the applicant may test.
- (c) Upon arrival at the testing center the applicant may not delete accommodations or add accommodations to those the board has authorized.
- (d) There will be no additional fee charged to any candidate for an accommodation approved by the board under this rule.
- (e) An applicant who is authorized to have accommodations on the UCPAE, and cancels and/or reschedules the exam with the testing vendor within four business days or less, is required to reimburse the board for the costs for accommodations that were not utilized by the applicant.

Adopted Amendment

§511.107. No-Show, Late Arrival and Late Cancellation

(a) An applicant is not eligible for a refund of the hourly testing fee if the applicant:

- (1) fails to appear for a scheduled section of the UCPAE;
- (2) arrives more than 30 minutes after the scheduled start time for taking the section of the UCPAE and is refused admission to the exam; or
- (3) changes or cancels a section of the UCPAE after the applicable Test Cancellation/Change Deadline.

(b) An applicant may be charged a reasonable fee for a rescheduled exam or cancellation.

(1) An applicant who requests a change in scheduling or cancellation 60 or more days prior to the original day of testing will not be charged an additional fee.

(2) An applicant who requests a change in scheduling or cancellation from 59 to six days prior to the original day of testing will be charged an additional fee set by the test vendor. The applicant must make direct contact by noon of the fifth business day before the day of the exam with personnel at the call center or through the vendor's website. Leaving a message on a recorder or a voice mail is not sufficient to confirm a change or cancellation.

(3) An applicant who requests a change in scheduling or cancellation less than six days prior to the original day of testing will be charged an additional fee equal to the amount of the full test fee.

Adopted Amendment

§511.122. Acceptable Work Experience

(a) Work experience shall be supervised, evaluated and reviewed by a CPA who is currently licensed and in good standing with this board or with another state board of accountancy as defined in §511.124 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Supervision), and who is experienced in the non-routine accounting area assigned to the applicant.

(b) Non-routine accounting involves attest services as defined in §501.52(4) of this title (relating to Definitions), or professional accounting services or professional accounting work as defined in §501.52(22) of this title, and continually requires the use of independent thought and judgment on important accounting matters, applying professional accounting knowledge and skills to select, correct, organize, interpret, and present real-world data as accounting entries, reports, statements, and analyses extending over a diverse range of tax, accounting, assurance, and control situations.

(c) Acceptable work experience shall be gained in the following categories or in any combination of these:

(1) Client practice of public accountancy. Work experience gained through a properly licensed CPA firm that is in good standing with the firm's licensing board.

(2) Unlicensed business entity. Work experience gained in an unlicensed business entity may include, but is not limited to:

(A) providing management or financial advisory or consulting services;

(B) preparing tax returns;

(C) providing advice in tax matters;

(D) providing forensic accounting services;

(E) providing internal auditing services; and

(F) business valuation services.

(3) Industry practice. Work experience gained in industry shall be internal to the organization and may include: providing management or financial advisory internal services; preparing tax returns; providing advice in tax matters; providing forensic accounting services; and providing internal auditing services.

(A) Examples of industries may include, but are not limited to:

(i) commercial business enterprise;

(ii) non-profit/charitable organization;

(iii) financial institution; and

(iv) health care entity.

(B) Acceptable industry work experience positions may include, but are not limited to:

(i) internal auditor;

(ii) staff, senior, fund or tax accountant;

(iii) accounting, financial or accounting systems analyst; and

(iv) controller.

(4) Government practice. Work experience gained in government shall meet the criteria in subparagraphs (A) - (E) of this paragraph. The board will review on a case-by-case basis experience which does not clearly meet the criteria identified in subparagraphs (A) - (E) of this paragraph. Acceptable government work experience includes, but is not limited to:

(A) employment in state government as an accountant or auditor at Salary Classification B14 or above, or a comparable rating;

(B) employment in federal government as an accountant, auditor or IRS revenue agent;

(C) employment as a special agent accountant with the Federal Bureau of Investigation or equivalent position at a governmental entity;

(D) military service, as an accountant or auditor as a Second Lieutenant or above; and

(E) employment with other governmental entities as an accountant or auditor.

(5) Law firm practice.

(A) Internal work experience gained at a law firm may include: providing management or financial advisory internal services; preparing tax returns; providing advice in tax matters; providing forensic accounting services; and providing internal auditing services.

(B) Work experience gained as an attorney in a law firm shall be comparable to the experience ordinarily found in a CPA firm; shall be under the supervision of a CPA or an attorney; and shall be in one or more of the following areas:

(i) tax-planning, compliance and litigation; and

(ii) estate planning.

(6) Education.

(A) Internal work experience gained at an educational institution may include: providing management or financial advisory internal services; preparing tax returns; providing advice in tax matters; providing forensic accounting services; and providing internal auditing services.

(B) Work experience gained as an instructor at an educational institution may qualify if evidence is presented showing independent thought and judgment was used on non-routine accounting matters. Only the teaching of upper level accounting courses on a full-time basis may be considered. All experience shall be supervised by the department chair or a faculty member who is a CPA.

(7) Internship. The board will consider, on a case-by-case basis, experience acquired through an approved accounting internship program, provided that the experience was non-routine accounting as defined by subsection (b) of this section.

(8) Other. Work experience gained in other positions may be approved by the board as experience comparable to that gained in the practice of public accountancy under the supervision of a CPA upon certification by the person or persons supervising the applicant that the experience was of a non-routine accounting nature which continually required independent thought and judgment on important accounting matters.

(9) Self-employment may not be used to satisfy the work experience requirement unless approved by the board.

Adopted Amendment

§511.123. Reporting Work Experience

(a) To meet the work experience requirements of §511.164 of this chapter (relating to Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours), the board requires a minimum of one year of full-time work experience completed in no less than 12 months as described in §511.122 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Work Experience) which shall be obtained in one of the following ways:

- (1) full-time employment consisting of 40 or more hours per week; or
- (2) part-time employment consisting of a minimum of 20 hours per week until 2000 hours of accounting work experience have been completed. Part-time work experience must be completed in no more than 24 months from the date the work begins.

(b) Effective August 1, 2026, to meet the work experience requirements of §511.59 of this chapter (relating to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours) the board requires a minimum of two years of full-time work experience completed in no less than 24 months as described in §511.122 of this chapter which shall be obtained in one of the following ways:

- (1) full-time employment consisting of 40 or more hours per week; or
- (2) part-time employment consisting of a minimum of 20 hours per week until 4,000 hours of accounting work experience have been completed. Part-time work experience must be completed in no more than 48 months from the date the work begins.

(c) All work experience presented to the board for consideration shall be accompanied by the following items:

- (1) a statement from the supervising CPA describing the non-routine work performed by the applicant and a description of the important accounting matters requiring the applicant's independent thought and judgment;
- (2) a statement from the supervising CPA describing the type of experience that the CPA possesses which qualifies the CPA to supervise the applicant; and
- (3) a statement from the supervising CPA that the applicant has demonstrated professional competence; and
- (4) an affidavit from the supervising CPA stating that the applicant's work was supervised; and it is the opinion of the CPA that the applicant is qualified to perform all

the accounting related work assigned to the applicant in accordance with the professional standards required by the board as defined in §501.62 of this title (relating to Other Professional Standards).

Adopted Amendment

§511.124. Acceptable Supervision

(a) Acceptable supervision must be performed by a CPA experienced in the non-routine accounting area assigned to an applicant and who holds an active license or permit in this state or another state and has not been exempted from the board's CPE during the period of supervision. If the applicant's work experience and CPA supervision is gained through the client practice of public accountancy, as defined in §511.122 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Work Experience), the CPA firm must be properly licensed and in good standing with the licensing board where the applicant performs the work experience.

(1) Supervision is provided whenever the person being supervised reports to, is instructed by, is reviewed by, and is evaluated directly by the supervisor. The supervisor in this capacity may be in an intermediate level of supervision above the applicant.

(2) Where there is no CPA employed at the company, firm or organization, acceptable supervision may be gained if the following conditions are met:

(A) a properly licensed CPA firm that is in good standing with the firm's licensing board is engaged to provide supervision, review, and evaluation of work experience; and

(B) the supervision, review, and evaluation of work is performed on a routine and recurring basis to permit the CPA firm to provide documentation of work experience;

(C) the CPA firm does not perform attest services for which independence is required for the applicant's employer; and

(D) the CPA assigned to provide the supervision is employed by the CPA firm and is currently licensed and in good standing with the firm's licensing board and experienced to provide such supervision in the non-routine accounting area assigned to the applicant.

(3) Telecommunications equipment and computers may be used to facilitate supervision. The board requires detailed documentation if such devices are used to facilitate supervision.

(b) It is the responsibility of the CPA and the applicant to document that supervision was adequate and effective in any situations inconsistent with the above examples.

Adopted Amendment

§511.161. Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate

The certificate of a CPA shall be granted by the board to an applicant who qualifies under the current Act and has met the following qualifications:

- (1) successfully completed the UCPAE;
- (2) met the education requirements in §511.164 of this chapter (relating to Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours) or effective August 1, 2026, the education requirements in §511.59 of this chapter (relating to Qualifications for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 120 Semester Hours);
- (3) successfully completed a 3-semester hour board-approved ethics course as defined by §511.58 of this chapter (relating to Related Business Subjects);
- (4) submitted an application prescribed by the board;
- (5) submitted the requisite fee, set by the board, for issuance of the certificate;
- (6) provided evidence of a lack of a history of dishonest or felonious acts or any criminal activity that might be relevant to the applicant's qualifications;
- (7) completed the fingerprint process that accesses the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Texas Department of Public Safety - Crime records division files;
- (8) submitted, on a form prescribed by the board, evidence of completion of the work experience requirements commensurate with the education requirements described in §§511.59 or 511.164 of this section;
- (9) executed an oath of office stating support of the Constitution of the United States and of this state and the laws thereof, and compliance with the board's Rules of Professional Conduct;
- (10) successfully completed the examination on the board's Rules of Professional Conduct; and
- (11) provided any other information requested by the board.

Adopted Amendment

§511.163. Examination on the Board's Rules of Professional Conduct Requirements

(a) An applicant applying for the issuance of the CPA certificate must pass an examination on the board's Rules of Professional Conduct.

(1) The examination on the Rules of Professional Conduct must be completed not more than six months prior to the issuance of the CPA certificate.

(2) A grade of 85% or higher on the exam is considered passing.

(b) An applicant who does not earn a passing grade on the Rules of Professional Conduct examination shall wait two weeks before reexamination may occur.

Adopted Amendment

§511.164. Qualification for Issuance of a Certificate with not Fewer than 150 Semester Hours

(a) To qualify for the issuance of a CPA certificate, an applicant must hold at a minimum a baccalaureate degree, conferred by a board-recognized institution of higher education as defined by §511.52 of this chapter (relating to Recognized Institutions of Higher Education), and have completed the board-recognized coursework identified in this section:

(1) at least 27 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level accounting courses as defined by §511.57 of this chapter (relating to Courses in an Accounting Concentration to take the UCPAE);

(2) no fewer than 24 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level related business courses to include a three-semester hour ethics course, as defined by §511.58 of this chapter (relating to Related Business Subjects); and

(3) no fewer than 150 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of academic coursework.

(b) Although not required by the board, the following academic coursework when combined with subsection (a) of this section may be used to meet or exceed the 150 semester hour requirement of subsection (a)(3) of this section:

(1) not more than six hours or quarter hour equivalents of CPA review coursework completed at a board-recognized institution of higher education; and

(2) a maximum of 9 total semester credit hours of undergraduate or graduate independent study and/or internships as defined in §511.51(6) or §511.51(7) of this chapter (relating to Educational Definitions) The courses shall consist of:

(A) a maximum of three semester credit hours of independent study courses; and

(B) a maximum of six semester credit hours of accounting/business course internships including the coursework used to meet §511.58 of this chapter.

(c) The following courses, courses of study, certificates, and programs may not be used to meet the 150 semester hour requirement:

(1) remedial or developmental courses offered at an educational institution; and

(2) credits may not be awarded for coursework taken through the following organizations and shown on a transcript from an institution of higher education to meet the requirement of this chapter:

(A) American College Education (ACE);

(B) Prior Learning Assessment (PLA);

(C) Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES);

(D) Defense Subject Standardized Test (DSST); and

(E) StraighterLine.

(d) The semester hours from a course that has been repeated will be counted only once toward the required semester hours.

(e) The work experience shall be at least one year of full time non-routine accounting experience as defined by §511.122 and §511.123 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Work Experience and Reporting Work Experience) and supervised by a CPA as defined by §511.124 of this chapter (relating to Acceptable Supervision).

Agenda Item XII
Review of Future Meetings/Hearing Schedules
May 14, 2026

I. DISCUSSION: Schedule of dates for 2026 Board and committee meetings, hearings, and other activities are attached for your information.

RECOMMENDATION: None by staff.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None by staff.

**Agenda Item XIII
Adjournment
May 14, 2026**

I. **DISCUSSION:** The presiding officer will entertain a motion to adjourn.

RECOMMENDATION: None required.

SUGGESTED MOTION: None required.