## Meeting Agenda SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

Zoom Meeting – Conference Call

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Α.	Call to Order	Budahl
B.	Public Comment	Oratory
C.	A-Approval of Minutes of Meeting December 2, 2020	2-3
D.	A-Approval of Certificates & Firm Permits	4-5
E.	A-Approval of Financial Statements through November 2020	6-15
F.	A-Requests from Candidates	16-18
G.	D-Executive Director's Report	19-39
NASE	3A	
Н.	9:30 - Remote Testing Presentation from Colleen Conrad	Oratory
AICP	<b>A</b>	
1.	D-Board of Examiners Meeting Highlights October-November 2020	40-44

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

J. Equivalent Reviews, Follow ups & Draft AUP Report for Board Approval. Spt. Pkt.

#### **FUTURE MEETING DATES (all times CT)**

- K. Meeting Dates March 24, 2021 – 9:00 Zoom Meeting
- L. Adjournment

## Meeting Minutes SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

Zoom Meeting December 2, 2020 9:00 a.m. CT

Chair Deidre Budahl called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Nicole Kasin called the roll. A quorum was present.

**Members Present**: Jay Tolsma, Russell Olson, David Pummel, Jeff Smith, Jeff Strand, and Deidre Budahl.

**Others Present**: Nicole Kasin, Executive Director; Julie Iverson, Sr. Secretary; Graham Oey, Staff Attorney; and Tommy Pollema, SD CPA Society Executive Director.

Jay Tolsma made a motion to approve the agenda. Jeff Strand seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED.** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-excused; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

The Chair opened the floor for public comment. No comments were received.

Jeff Strand made a motion to approve the October 29, 2020 meeting minutes. David Pummel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED.** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-excused; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

David Pummel made a motion to approve the issuance of certificates through November 23, 2020. Jeff Smith seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED.** (Tolsmayea; Olson-excused; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

Jeff Strand made a motion to approve the financial statements through October 2020. Jay Tolsma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED.** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-yea; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

Executive Director Kasin discussed her report with an update on CPE Audits, follow-up from NASBA Annual Conference held November 2-4, 2020, state laws, and the Board AUP.

Graham Oey left the meeting at 9:55.

The Board discussed the NASBA Board of Director's meeting minutes from July 24, 2020; the meeting highlights from October 20 and November 3, 2020; the Quarterly Focus questions; and the Executive Summary and Responses to the October Focus questions.

Tommy Pollema left the meeting at 10:05.

Jeff Strand made a motion to enter executive session for the deliberative process for peer reviews. Russell Olson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-yea; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

The Board came out of executive session.

Jay Tolsma made a motion to accept the peer reviews as discussed in executive session. Jeff Strand seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-yea; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

FUTURE MEETING DATES (all times CT) January 13, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. Zoom meeting March 24, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. Zoom meeting

Russell Olson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Pummel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **MOTION PASSED** (Tolsma-yea; Olson-yea; Pummel-yea; Smith-yea; Strand-yea; Budahl-yea)

All business having come before the board was concluded and Chair Deidre Budahl adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Deidre Budahl, CPA, Chair

Seff Smith, Sec/Treasurer

## CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT CERTIFICATES BOARD COPY

#### Issued Through January 7, 2021

Number	Name	Date Issued	Location
3506	Ethan Frederick Smith	12/11/20	Sioux Falls, SD
3507	Erik Christopher Rossing	12/30/20	Omaha, NE
3508	Isaac Harrison Allen	01/07/21	Rapid City, SD

## FIRM PERMITS TO PRACTICE PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY BOARD COPY

#### Issued Through January 7, 2021

Number	Name	Date Issued	Basis/Comments
1751	Danielle L. Berg, Ltd. Revere, MN	12/15/20	New Firm
1752	S.R. Snodgrass, PC Cranberry Township, PA	01/05/21	New Firm

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### South Dakota Board of Accountancy Balance Sheet As of November 30, 2020

	. <u> </u>	Nov 30, 20
ASSETS		
Current Assets Checking/Savings		
1130000 Local Checking - Great Western		384.53
1140000 · Pool Cash State of SD		502,838.55
Total Checking/Savings		503,223.08
Other Current Assets		
1131000 · Interest Income Receivable		18,356.04
1213000 · Investment încome Receivable	. —	2,086.30
Total Other Current Assets		20,442.34
Total Current Assets		523,665.42
Fixed Assets		
1670000 Computer Software		
Original Cost 1770000 · Depreciation		34,075.00 -14,671.34
Total 1670000 Computer Software	_	19,403.66
Total Fixed Assets		19,403.66
TOTAL ASSETS	_	543,069.08
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
2110000 · Accounts Payable	·	7,970.17
Total Accounts Payable		7,970.17
Other Current Liabilities		
2430000 · Accrued Wages Payable		9,683.65
2810000 · Amounts Held for Others	_	22,742.40
Total Other Current Liabilities		32,426.05
Total Current Liabilities		40,396.22
Long Term Liabilities		
2960000 · Compensated Absences Payable		28,538.78
Total Long Term Liabilities		28,538.78
Total Liabilities	* .	68,935.00
Equity		
3220000 · Net Position		298,421.08
3300100 · Invested In Capital Assets		19,403.94
3900 · Retained Earnings		2,414.64
Net Income	_	153,894.42
Total Equity	_	474,134.08
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		543,069.08

## **South Dakota Board of Accountancy** Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July through November 2020

	Jul - Nov 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income 4293550 · Initial Individual Certificate	1,350.00	2,500.00	-1,150.00	54.0%
4293551 · Certificate Renewals-Active	66,700.00	62,500.00	4,200.00	106.7%
4293552 · Certificate Renewals-Inactive	21,250.00	21,000.00	250.00	101.2%
4293553 · Certificate Renewals-Retired	1,480.00	1,450.00	30.00	102.1%
4293554 · Initial Firm Permits	50.00	700.00	-650.00	7.1%
4293555 · Firm Permit Renewals	15,550.00	14,500.00	1,050.00	107.2%
4293557 Initial Audit	120.00	900.00	-780.00	13.3%
4293558 · Re-Exam Audit	780.00	2,460.00	-1,680.00	31.7%
4293560 · Late Fees-Initial Certificate	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.0%
4293561 · Late Fees-Certificate Renewals	2,550.00	3,000.00	-450.00	85.0%
4293563 · Late Fees-Firm Permit Renewals	750.00	500.00	250.00	150.0%
4293564 · Late Fees-Peer Review	1,250.00	1,300.00	-50.00	96.2%
4293566 · Firm Permit Owners	122,340.00	109,000.00	13,340.00	112.2%
4293567 · Peer Review Admin Fee	1,575.00	5,500.00	-3,925.00	28.6%
4293568 · Firm Permit Name Change 4293569 · Initial FAR	0.00 360.00	100.00 1,140.00	-100.00 -780.00	0.0% 31.6%
4293570 - Initial REG	120.00	660.00	-540.00	18.2%
4293571 · Inital BEC	150.00	930.00	-780.00	16.1%
4293572 · Re-Exam FAR	480.00	1,860.00	-1,380.00	25.8%
4293573 · Re-Exam REG	586.12	2,310.00	-1,723.88	25.4%
4293574 · Re-Exam BEC	480.00	2,310.00	-1,830.00	20.8%
4491000 - Interest and Dividend Revenue	11,016.74	5,500.00	5,516.74	200.3%
4896021 Legal Recovery Cost	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Total Income  Gross Profit	248,987.86	241,120.00	7,867.86	103.3%
	248,987.86	241,120.00	7,867.86	103.3%
Expense 5101010 · F-T Emp Sal & Wages	27,062.90	86,257.00	-59,194.10	31.4%
5101020 · P-T/Temp Emp Sal & Wages	16,804.39	45,096.00	-28,291.61	37.3%
5101030 · Board & Comm Mbrs Fees	2,400.00	4,969.00	-2,569.00	48.3%
5102010 · OASI-Employer's Share	3,165.91	10,048.00	-6,882.09	31.5%
5102020 · Retirement-ER Share	2,456.62	7,881.00	-5,424.38	31.2%
5102060 · Health /Life InsER Share	9,242.70	10,809.00	-1,566.30	85.5%
5102080 · Worker's Compensation	78.93	276.00	-197.07	28.6%
5102090 · Unemployment Insurance 5203010 · AutoState Owned	<b>43</b> .92 0.00	131.00 250.00	-87.08	33.5%
5203010 - AutoState Owned 5203020 - Auto-Private-Ownes Low Mileage	0.00	400.00	-250.00 -400.00	0.0% 0.0%
5203030 · In State-Auto- Priv. High Miles	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
5203060 · In State-Auto- Priv. High Miles	0.00	, 0.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
5203080 · In State-Other Public Carrier	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5203100 · In State-Lodging	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
5203120 · In State-Incidentals to Travel	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
5203130 - Nonemployment Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5203140 - InState-Tax Meals Not Overnigt	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
5203150 · InState-Non-Tax Meals OverNight	0.00	400.00	-400.00	0.0%
5203220 · OS-Auto Private Low Mileage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5203230 · OS-Auto Private High Mileage	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%

## South Dakota Board of Accountancy Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July through November 2020

	Jul - Nov 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
5203260 · OS-Air Commercial Carrier	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
5203280 · OS-Other Public Carrier	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
5203300 · OS-Lodging	0.00	9,000.00	-9,000.00	0.0%
5203320 · OS-Incidentals to Travel	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
5203330 · OS-Nonemployment Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5203340 · OS-Taxable Meals-Not Overnight	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5203350 · OS-Non-Taxable Meals Overnight	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
5204010 · Subscriptions	392.98	1,000.00	-607.02	39.3%
5204020 · Dues and Membership Fees	3,200.00 0.00	3,900.00 300.00	-700.00 -300.00	82.1%
5204030 · Legal Document Fees 5204040 · Consultant Fees-Accounting	0.00	3,600.00	-3,600.00	0.0% 0.0%
5204050 · Consultant Fees - Computer	3,836.26	15,000.00	-11,163.74	25.6%
5204060 · Consultant Fees-Educat/Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204080 · Consultant Fees-Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204130 · Consultant Fees-Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204160 · Workshop Registration Fees	0.00	7,500.00	-7,500.00	0.0%
5204180 · Computer Services-State	2,631.78	5,000.00	-2,368.22	52.6%
5204181 · Computer Development Serv-State	120.40	2,000.00	-1,879.60	6.0%
5204190 · Computer Services-Private	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204200 · Central Services	2,147.43	9,000.00	-6,852.57	23.9%
5204220 · Equipment Service & Maintenance	25.80	300.00	-274.20	8.6%
5204230 · Janitorial/Maintenance Services	712.30	1,725.00	-1,012.70	41.3%
5204320 · Audit Services-Private	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204340 · Computer Software Maintenance	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
5204360 · Advertising-Newspapers	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
5204390 · Advertising-Brochures 5204440 · Newsletter Publishing	0.00 0.00	0.00 100.00	0.00 -100.00	0.0%
5204460 · Equipment Rental	1,739.72	4,000.00	-2.260.28	0.0% 43.5%
5204480 · Microfilm and Photography	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204490 · Rents Privately Owned Property	6,903.75	16,569.00	-9,665.25	41.7%
5204500 · Rents-County/Municipal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204510 · Rent-Other	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
5204530 · Telecommunications Services	986.89	5,500.00	-4,513.11	17.9%
5204540 · Electricity	281.88	865.00	-583.12	32.6%
5204560 · Water	61.24	240.00	-178.76	25.5%
5204580 · Trucking, Drayage, and Freight	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5204590 Insurance Premiums/Surety Bonds 5204730 Maintenance Contracts	0.00 0.00	1,710.00 0.00	-1,710.00	0.0%
5204740 · Bank Fees and Charges	4,579.01	6,500.00	0.00 -1,920.99	0.0% 70.4%
5204960 · Other Contractual Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5205020 · Office Supplies	55.60	3,000.00	-2,944.40	1.9%
5205028 · OFFICE SUPPLIES-2	12.53	0.00	12.53	100.0%
5205060 · Maintenance/Janitorial Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5205310 · Printing State	0.00	350.00	-350.00	0.0%
5205320 · Printing/Duplicating/Binding Co	82.80	500.00	-417.20	16.6%
5205330 · Supplemental Publications	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
5205340 · Microfilm Supplies/Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5205350 · Postage	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
5207430 · Office Machines	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
5207440 · Filling Equipment	. 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
5207450 · Office Equipment and Fixtures 5207490 · Telephone Equipment	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.0% 0.0%
5207430 · Telephone Equipment	640.78	6,800.00	-6,159.22	9.4%
5207950 · System Development	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	9.4% 0.0%
5207955 · Computer Hardware Other	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
5207960 · Computer Software Expense	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
5228000 · Operating Transfers Out-NonBudg	3,060.62	8,000.00	-4,939.38	38.3%
5228030 · Depreciation Expense	2,366.30	5,679.12	-3,312.82	41.7%
Total Expense	95,093.44	304,055.12	-208,961.68	31.3%
Net Ordinary Income	153,894.42	-62,935.12	216,829.54	-244.5%

## **South Dakota Board of Accountancy** Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July through November 2020

	Jul - Nov 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Other Income/Expense Other Expense				
5228090 · SecurtiyLendingRebateFees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Other Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Net Other income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Net Income	153,894.42	-62,935.12	216,829.54	-244.5%

## South Dakota Board of Accountancy PREVIOUS YEAR MONTHLY COMPARISON

November 2020

	Nov 20	Nov 19	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income 4293550 · Initial Individual Certificate	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.0%
4293551 · Certificate Renewals-Active	0.00	150.00	-150.00	-100.0%
4293554 · Initial Firm Permits	0.00	150.00	-150.00	-100.0%
4293558 · Re-Exam Audit	210.00	30.00	180.00	600.0%
4293561 · Late Fees-Certificate Renewals	0.00	150.00	-150.00	-100.0%
4293564 · Late Fees-Peer Review	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.0%
4293566 Firm Permit Owners	0.00	1,585.00	-1,585.00	-100.0%
4293569 Initial FAR	0.00	60.00	-60.00	-100.0%
4293571 Inital BEC	30.00	30.00	0.00	0.0%
4293572 · Re-Exam FAR	60.00	120.00	-60.00	-50.0%
4293573 · Re-Exam REG	106.12	90.00	16.12	17.9%
4293574 · Re-Exam BEC	90.00	150.00	-60.00	-40.0%
Total Income	746.12	2,765.00	-2,018.88	-73.0%
Gross Profit	746.12	2,765.00	-2,018.88	-73.0%
Expense				
5101010 · F-T Emp Sal & Wages	2,987.52	8,262.90	-5,275.38	-63.8%
5101020 · P-T/Temp Emp Sal & Wages	1,827.46	3,778.15	-1,950.69	-51.6%
5101030 · Board & Comm Mbrs Fees	960.00	1,080.00	-120.00	-11.1%
5102010 · OASI-Employer's Share	404.22	894.71	-490.49	-54.8%
5102020 · Retirement-ER Share	265.61	722.45	-456.84	-63.2%
5102060 · Health /Life InsER Share	931.31	2,601.37	-1,670.06	-64.2%
5102080 · Worker's Compensation	8.67	15.67	-7.00	-44.7%
5102090 · Unemployment Insurance	4.82	5.32	-0.50	-9.4%
5203030 · In State-Auto- Priv. High Miles	0.00	61.32	-61.32	-100.0%
5203260 · OS-Air Commercial Carrier	0.00	3,017.53	-3,017.53	-100.0%
5203280 · OS-Other Public Carrier	0.00	147.56	-147.56	-100.0%
5203300 OS-Lodging	0.00	4,109.43	-4,109.43	-100.0%
5203320 · OS-Incidentals to Travel	0.00	274.00	-274.00	-100.0%
5203350 · OS-Non-Taxable Meals Overnight	0.00	416.00	-416.00	-100.0%
5204010 · Subscriptions 5204050 · Consultant Fees - Computer	392.98 0.00	0.00 1,875.00	392.98 -1,875.00	100.0% -100.0%
5204180 Computer Services-State	102.78	466.45	-1,875.60	-78.0%
5204200 · Central Services	307.69	1,512.60	-1,204.91	-79.7%
5204220 · Equipment Service & Maintenance	-1.77	4.87	-6.64	-136.3%
5204230 · Janitorial/Maintenance Services	142.46	139.67	2.79	2.0%
5204460 · Equipment Rental	672.36	79.00	593.36	751.1%
5204490 Rents Privately Owned Property	1,380.75	1,380.75	0.00	0.0%
5204530 · Telecommunications Services	0.00	51.12	-51.12	-100.0%
5204540 · Electricity	148.32	75.64	72.68	96.1%
5204560 · Water	22.35	0.00	22.35	100.0%
5204740 Bank Fees and Charges	105.69	90.57	15.12	16.7%
5205028 · OFFICE SUPPLIES-2	1.08	0.47	0.61	129.8%
5205320 Printing/Duplicating/Binding Co	27.60	0.00	27.60	100.0%
5228000 · Operating Transfers Out-NonBudg	867.24	540.49	326.75	60.5%
5228030 · Depreciation Expense	473.26	473.26	0.00	0.0%
Total Expense	12,032.40	32,076.30	-20,043.90	-62.5%
Net Ordinary Income	-11,286.28	-29,311.30	18,025.02	61.5%
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## South Dakota Board of Accountancy PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE MONTHLY COMPARISON

July through November 2020

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	Jul - Nov 20	Jul - Nov 19	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense Income	. "			
4293550 · Initial Individual Certificate	1,350.00	4,085.00	-2,735.00	-67.0%
4293551 · Certificate Renewals-Active	66,700.00	62,850.00	3,850.00	6.1%
4293552 · Certificate Renewals-Inactive	21,250.00	19,710.00	1,540.00	7.8%
4293553 · Certificate Renewals-Retired	1,480.00	1,240.00	240.00	19.4%
4293554 · Initial Firm Permits	50.00	250.00	-200.00	-80.0%
4293555 · Firm Permit Renewals	15,550.00	11,000.00	4,550.00	41.4%
4293557 Initial Audit	120.00	90.00	30.00	33.3%
4293558 · Re-Exam Audit	780.00	720.00	60.00	8.3%
4293560 · Late Fees-Initial Certificate	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.0%
4293561 · Late Fees-Certificate Renewals	2,550.00	2,700.00	-150.00	-5.6%
4293563 · Late Fees-Firm Permit Renewals	750.00	300.00	450.00	150.0%
4293564 · Late Fees-Peer Review	1,250.00	250.00	1,000.00	400.0%
4293566 · Firm Permit Owners	122,340.00	112,940.00	9,400.00	8.3%
4293567 Peer Review Admin Fee	1,575.00	75.00	1,500.00	2,000.0%
4293568 · Firm Permit Name Change 4293569 · Initial FAR	0.00 360.00	100.00 270.00	-100.00 90.00	-100.0% . 33.3%
4293570 Initial REG	120.00	90.00	30.00	33.3%
4293571 · Inital BEC	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.0%
4293572 · Re-Exam FAR	480.00	720.00	-240.00	-33.3%
4293573 Re-Exam REG	586.12	900.00	-313.88	-34.9%
4293574 · Re-Exam BEC	480.00	870.00	-390.00	-44.8%
4491000 · Interest and Dividend Revenue	11,016.74	9,932.08	1,084.66	10.9%
Total Income	248,987.86	229,292.08	19,695.78	8.6%
Gross Profit	248,987.86	229,292.08	19,695.78	8.6%
Expense	07.000.00	00.000.04	0.040.04	0.70/
5101010 · F-T Emp Sal & Wages 5101020 · P-T/Temp Emp Sal & Wages	27,062.90 16,804.39	29,982.84 16,013.53	-2,919.94 790.86	-9.7% 4.9%
5101030 · Board & Comm Mbrs Fees	2,400.00	3,120.00	-720.00	-23.1%
5102010 OASI-Employer's Share	3,165.91	3,356.42	`-190.51	-5.7%
5102020 · Retirement-ER Share	2,456.62	2,645.16	-188.54	-7.1%
5102060 · Health /Life InsER Share	9,242.70	9,586.74	-344.04	-3.6%
5102080 · Worker's Compensation	78.93	59.84	19.09	31.9%
5102090 · Unemployment Insurance	43.92	20.28	23.64	116.6%
5203010 · Auto-State Owned	0.00	47.79	-47.79	-100.0%
5203020 · Auto-Private-Ownes Low Mileage 5203030 · In State-Auto- Priv. High Miles	0.00 0.00	104.42 749.28	-104.42 -749.28	-100.0% -100.0%
5203100 · In State-Auto- Priv. Right whiles	0.00	338.00	-338.00	-100.0%
5203150 · InState-Non-Tax Meals OverNight	0.00	138.00	-138.00	-100.0%
5203260 · OS-Air Commercial Carrier	0.00	3,017.53	-3,017.53	-100.0%
5203280 · OS-Other Public Carrier	0.00	147.56	-147.56	-100.0%
5203300 · OS-Lodging	0.00	4,109.43	-4,109.43	-100.0%
5203320 · OS-Incidentals to Travel	0.00	274.00	-274.00	-100.0%
5203350 · OS-Non-Taxable Meals Overnight	0.00	416.00	-416.00	-100.0%
5204010 Subscriptions	392.98	363.83	29.15	8.0%
5204020 Dues and Membership Fees	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.0%
5204050 Consultant Fees - Computer	3,836.26	3,750.00	86.26	2.3%
5204160 · Workshop Registration Fees	0.00	3,006.44	-3,006.44	-100.0%

## South Dakota Board of Accountancy PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE MONTHLY COMPARISON

July through November 2020

	Jul - Nov 20	Jul - Nov 19	\$ Change	% Change
5204180 Computer Services-State	2,631.78	2,342.30	289.48	12.4%
5204181 Computer Development Serv-State	120.40	274.51	-154.11	-56.1%
5204200 Central Services	2,147.43	3,763.35	-1,615.92	-42.9%
5204220 Equipment Service & Maintenance	25.80	32.40	-6.60	-20.4%
5204230 · Janitorial/Maintenance Services	712.30	698.33	13.97	2.0%
5204460 · Equipment Rental	1,739.72	998.00	741.72	74.3%
5204490 · Rents Privately Owned Property	6,903.75	8,284.50	-1,380.75	-16.7%
5204530 · Telecommunications Services	986.89	857.72	129.17	15.1%
5204540 Electricity	281,88	396.47	-114.59	-28.9%
5204560 · Water	61.24	22.35	38.89	174.0%
5204740 · Bank Fees and Charges	4,579.01	4,559.02	19.99	0.4%
5204960 · Other Contractual Services	0.00	580.68	-580.68	-100.0%
5205020 · Office Supplies	55.60	458.76	-403.16	-87.9%
5205028 · OFFICE SUPPLIES-2	12.53	6.42	6.11	95.2%
5205320 · Printing/Duplicating/Binding Co	82.80	58.65	24.15	41.2%
5207900 · Computer Hardware	640.78	653.40	<b>-</b> 12.62	-1.9%
5228000 · Operating Transfers Out-NonBudg	3,060.62	2,347.51	713.11	30.4%
5228030 · Depreciation Expense	2,366.30	2,366.30	0.00	0.0%
Total Expense	95,093.44	113,147.76	-18,054.32	-16.0%
Net Ordinary Income	153,894.42	116,144.32	37,750.10	32.5%
Net Income	153,894.42	116,144.32	37,750.10	32.5%

#### **Request from Candidates**

Nicole Kasin

The following are the separate requests from exam candidates to request for an extension on an expired exam section.

The Board has to make a determination on each case in accordance with ARSD 20:75:01:07 which states: Upon good cause shown by the applicant or licensee, the board may waive any application or administrative fees or any deadlines set in this article. For the purpose of this section, good cause includes any personal emergency, act of God, administrative error made by the board or the board of another state, military deployment, or substantial compliance with SDCL chapter 36-20B or article 20:75.

#### Candidate 1 -

Dear South Dakota Board of Accountancy:

I am writing to you to request an extension of my FAR exam that is due to expire December 31, 2020. I am requesting a six month extension; a new expiration date of June 30, 2021.

I am requesting this extension due to the COVID circumstances. There are several reasons why the COVID situation has made it difficult to complete the rest of my CPA exams.

My children have been in and out of school since the spring of 2020. This has resulted in me having to stay home with them and take on an educator role. There was a huge learning curve for all parties involved with the distance learning, at times resulting in a tremendous amount of frustration for everyone. We survived it, but I can say I have a whole new appreciation for teachers. God bless our teachers!

I work at a public accounting firm, consisting of my boss, a secretary, and myself, a staff accountant. With the COVID situation I've been working from home when the children are distant learning. I would try to have my children get their school work done in the mornings and then I would try to get my work done in the afternoons. Due to constant interruptions, there were many evenings I ended up going into the office to attempt to get caught up. This year has truly been a year like no other I've ever experienced. It's been a struggle to keep up with the changing legislation, but necessary to help keep our struggling clients afloat. We've managed to be successful in helping them, but it's been an extremely time consuming process.

My family and work have been my top priorities since COVID has hit. I've strived to keep my children educated and physically and mentally healthy as we maneuver through the situation. At work, we are trying to keep our client's afloat so we don't see a tremendous economic decline in our local area. We've spent hours working on PPP loans, COVID grants, and researching new legislation on top of our regular responsibilities. The COVID situation is no fault of any of ours, and I ask that you consider granting myself and other candidates some grace during these times.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this extension. I am extremely grateful for your time.

Background of record:

Section 1 passed (sat April 2018)- grade expiring December 31, 2019

Sat for section 2 - March 2019 Failed

Section 2 passed – (sat June 2019) grade expiring December 31, 2020

Section 1 Expired

Section 1 passed – (sat March 2020) grade expiring September 30, 2021

Sat for section 3 - August 2020 Failed

Sat for section 4 – No Showed for Exam – August 2020

Sat for section 3 - October 2020 Failed

Section 2 now considered expired due to not passing all 4 sections in 18 month window

Prometric closed USA test centers effective March 17-April 30, 2020
Has open NTS to schedule re-exam of section 4 and pass before September 30, 2021
Currently has to apply for re-exam of section 3 and pass before September 30, 2021
Currently has to apply for re-exam of section 2 and pass before September 30, 2021

#### Candidate 2-

Although not unusual with the ongoing pandemic, the extension request is generally tied with COVID. I am appreciative of the initial extension that was granted to everyone. Although, with the pandemic, there are many other factors besides the availability of seats that everyone must now deal with. The mental health impact the pandemic has had is not necessarily undocumented, but is impossible to be measured. Depression and anxiety are likely as high as we have ever acknowledged, and I think we have all been impacted in one way or another during the last year. Over the course of the pandemic, my family has suffered through a life and career altering loss of an employer/friend/mentor, and have been dealing with the ongoing ramifications of that loss coupled with the unique mental health impacts brought on by the pandemic. I am not sure what constitutes an extension, and I considered foregoing this request, losing a portion of the exam that I have passed, and moving on in the background. Ultimately and obviously, I decided to request the extension anyhow, because I believe I deserve it and I owe it to myself to try to do the best thing for me from a mental, physical, personal, and career standpoint. I have also recently been indirectly exposed to the virus, and potentially will have to schedule/reschedule my remaining exams to a date in 2021, depending on whether myself or my wife fall ill during the waiting period. As my occupation falls within public accounting, the options to reschedule in 2021 would fall in early January or post April 15th, as my availability to test and study between those dates is highly limited.

I am formally requesting a six month extension of my credit, which would change the expiration date of the portion of the exam that I have passed to 6/30/21. The pandemic will likely still be impacting the population in one way or another, but I believe this extension is what I would need to complete the remaining sections of the exam. If the board feels this extension is too long or too much to ask for, I would accept any extension less than what I have requested.

I will be a CPA one day. Whether the board chooses to grant me an extension and it happens sooner, or I have to reprove that I am capable of passing the exam section after a year of unprecedented uncertainty and chaos, the result of this request won't define me.

Background of Record:

Section 1 passed (sat May 2019) – grade expiring December 31, 2020 Section 2 passed (sat September 2020) – grade expiring March 10, 2022 Sat for section 3 – November 2020 Failed Section 1 now considered expired due to not passing all 4 sections in 18 month window

Prometric closed USA test centers effective March 17-April 30, 2020 Has open NTS to schedule exam of section 4 and pass before March 10, 2022 Currently has to apply for re-exam of section 3 and pass before March 10, 2022 Currently has to apply for re-exam of section 1 and pass before March 10, 2022

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Nicole Kasin

#### **CPE Audits**

The list of licensees has been selected for CPE audits and letters were sent out to those selected on September 22, 2020. The documentation is due in our office no later than October 30, 2020. The following is the current status of the audits as of January 7, 2021:

	Selected	Complied	Not Complied	Granted Extension	Approved CPE Audit	Failed CPE Audit
CPA (Active)	119	119	0	1	116	2
CPA – Out of State Affidavit	138				138	

#### **NASBA** Issues

- CPA Exam Discussion on remote testing/proctoring
  - a. Questions
  - b. Concerns
  - c. Other Board Actions multiple boards are discussing this issue
    - i. Alabama voted on 11-20-20 that they will not accept grades from those who tested remotely, no transfers or reciprocity.
    - ii. Kansas 12-4-20 meeting determined that they will not accept grades from those who tested remotely, no transfers or reciprocity.

#### 2. CPA Evolution

- a. Model Rules approved by NASBA/AICPA. The following are conflicts with our rules:
  - i. Principles 1 & 2 undergrad or introductory accounting at grad level not counting towards 24 hours in accounting
    - There are 12 states including SD that currently have a requirement of 24 hours in accounting and include principles in those hours
    - 2. There are 2 states that require less than 24 hours in accounting and do not include principles in those hours.
    - 3. There is 1 state that requires less than 24 hours in accounting and does include principles in those hours
  - ii. Data analytics courses count toward business or accounting, even if the course prefix is from a different college or university program (engineering, computer science or math)
  - iii. A maximum of 9 credit hours for internship/independent study
- b. Implementation proposed for January 2024

#### Legislation

#### House Bill 1014 https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/21924

An act to establish uniform complaint and declaratory ruling procedures for agencies regulating certain professions and occupations.

The full draft of the bill is on the following pages, but page 11-13 addresses specific changes for chapter 36-20B.

#### **Board Discussion**

• Any New Business/topics?



#### 2021 South Dakota Legislature

#### **House Bill 1014**

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce and Energy at the request of the Department of Labor and Regulation

An Act to establish uniform complaint and declaratory ruling procedures for agencies regulating certain professions and occupations.

- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

5	36-1C-1.	. Definitions.

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Terms used in this Act mean:

- (1) "Administrator," the executive director, executive secretary, or other person designated as being responsible for a professional or occupational licensing's board, commission, or agency operation;
- 10 (2) "Agency," a professional or occupational licensing board, commission, or agency
  11 set forth in title 36;
  - (3) "Complaint," an allegation of a violation of the laws or rules of a professional or occupational licensing board, commission, or agency set forth in title 36;
    - (4) "Investigative committee," one or more persons employed or contracted by a professional or occupational licensing board, commission, or agency set forth in title 36 to review and investigate complaints;
- 17 (5) "License," any certification, license, permit, or other authorization related to the 18 practice of any profession or occupation regulated under title 36.

#### **Section 2.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-2. Complaints--Jurisdiction.

Any person claiming that a licensee or an applicant for a license under title 36 has engaged in or is engaging in conduct constituting grounds for disciplinary action, as enumerated in the laws or rules of the agency, may file with the agency a written complaint. The agency shall require the complaining party to file a complaint stating the name of the applicant or licensee against whom the complaint is made and setting out, in

full detail, the conduct that is alleged to be in violation and may prescribe the form on which a written complaint is made.

The administrator shall request the complainant provide additional information if the complaint does not state a claim within the jurisdiction of the agency.

Failure of the complainant to comply with this section is basis for the administrator to reject the complaint without further action.

#### **Section 3.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-3. Receipt of complaint--Time to respond--Failure to respond.

Upon receipt of a properly submitted complaint within the agency's jurisdiction, the administrator shall serve a copy of the complaint by mail or electronic mail upon the applicant or licensee complained against.

The applicant or licensee complained against shall send a response to the complaint to the administrator of the agency within ten business days after service of the complaint on the applicant or licensee. Upon receipt of the response of the applicant or licensee, or upon expiration of the time for the applicant or licensee complained against to respond, the administrator shall assign an investigative committee to determine if the complaint has probable cause and constitutes grounds for disciplinary action or lacks probable cause and should be dismissed.

The ten business days may be extended by the administrator for good cause.

Failure to respond to the complaint is grounds for disciplinary action.

#### **Section 4.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-4. Investigation--Dismissal permitted.

Upon completion of the investigation, the investigating committee shall recommend to the agency whether the complaint should be dismissed for lack of probable cause, resolved by informal disposition, or settled by a formal hearing. The failure of an applicant or licensee to comply with the investigation is grounds for denial of the application or disciplinary action.

An agency may allow the investigative committee to dismiss a complaint. Any dismissal by the investigative committee must be reported to the agency at its next scheduled meeting or within thirty days, whichever is shorter.

An investigative committee includes the agency's legal counsel.

#### **Section 5.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

## 36-1C-5. Option to authorize limited administrative fines for specified violations.

The agency may authorize the administrator to impose an administrative fine upon proof of a violation of specified statutes or rules without additional prior approval. Any action taken pursuant to this section shall be reported to the agency at its next scheduled meeting or within thirty days, whichever is shorter.

Any administrative fine issued under this section may be appealed by requesting a contested case under chapter 1-26. Notice of appeal must be submitted to the administrator within twenty calendar days of service of the fine.

Any fine issued under this section may not exceed five hundred dollars.

#### **Section 6.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-6. Informal disposition--Notice.

The agency may accept an informal disposition regarding a violation of the laws or rules under the agency's jurisdiction. The agreed upon disposition must be in writing and is subject to the approval of the agency.

Failure to comply with the terms of an informal disposition is grounds for disciplinary action or allows the agency to institute or reinstitute formal proceedings.

The administrator shall notify, in writing, any complaining party of the results of the informal disposition of a complaint and the action taken, if any.

#### Section 7. That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-7. Formal complaint.

If an alleged violation has probable cause constituting grounds for disciplinary action, the legal counsel for the agency may commence formal proceedings by serving a formal complaint by mail or electronic mail upon the applicant or licensee complained against.

The formal complaint must include the name of the applicant or licensee complained against, and a statement of facts setting forth the nature of the violations being charged that constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

#### **Section 8.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

1 36-1C-8. Response to formal complaint.

The applicant or licensee shall file an answer with the administrator within twenty calendar days after service of the complaint admitting, denying, qualifying, or explaining all facts alleged in the formal complaint and all defenses of the applicant or licensee or mitigating factors.

#### **Section 9.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-9. Notice of hearing.

After the receipt of the response in § 36-1C-8, the agency's counsel shall file a notice of hearing pursuant to § 1-26-17. The notice of hearing must be served no later than twenty calendar days prior to the hearing date.

The agency may continue the date of the hearing as necessary. The agency's counsel shall serve notice of any new date by electronic mail to the applicant or licensee's address on file with the agency. If the applicant or licensee does not have electronic mail, communication shall be sent to the mailing address on file with the agency.

#### **Section 10.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-10. Appearance required of applicant or licensee.

The applicant or licensee appearing before the agency at a formal hearing shall appear in person unless otherwise waived by the agency. If an applicant or licensee fails to appear, the hearing may proceed without the applicant or licensee.

#### **Section 11.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-11. Board or commission member disqualified.

If an alleged violation against an applicant or licensee is filed by a member of the agency's board or commission, or if a member of the agency's board or commission participates in the investigation of a violation by an applicant or licensee, that agency's board or commission member is disqualified from participating in the final decision rendered by the agency board or commission.

#### Section 12. That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-12. Written waiver of procedures.

An applicant for a license or licensee may, in writing, waive any procedure granted to the applicant or licensee under this chapter.

1	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, nothing in this chapter shall be
2	construed to limit an agency's authority for emergency action under § 1-26-29.
3	Section 13. That a NEW SECTION be added:
4	36-1C-13. Promulgation of rules.
5	The Departments of Agriculture, Health, Labor and Regulation, and Social Services
6	shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to make any modification or addition to
7	the procedures in this chapter in order to comply with any federal statutes or any rules
8	and regulations regarding a profession or occupation within their respective department.
9	Section 14. That a NEW SECTION be added:
.0	36-1C-14. Petition for declaratory ruling.
.1	A person seeking a ruling as to the applicability to that person of a law, rule, or
.2	order of an agency under title 36 may file with the agency a petition for declaratory ruling
.3	in substantially the following form:
.4	Pursuant to the provisions of SDCL 1-26-15, I, (name of petitioner), of (address of
.5	petitioner), am (title or capacity of petitioner), and do hereby petition the professional or
.6	occupational board or commission of (state name of body) for its declaratory ruling in
.7	regard to the following:
.8	(1) The statutes or rules or order in question is: (here identify and quote the pertinent
9	statute, rule, or order.):
20	(2) The facts and circumstances that give rise to the issue to be answered by the
21	professional or occupational board or commission's declaratory ruling:
22	(3) The precise issue to be answered by the professional or occupational board or
23	commission's declaratory ruling:
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25	Dated at (city and state), this day of , .
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28	(Signature of Petitioner)

**Section 15.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

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36-1C-15. Action on petition.

Upon receipt of the petition, the administrator may request from the petitioner any information that may be required for the issuance of its ruling. At the agency's next regularly scheduled meeting following the receipt of the petition or following receipt of requested information, or within ninety days, whichever is shorter, the agency shall issue its declaratory ruling and serve a copy of it by mail or electronic mail upon the petitioner.

#### **Section 16.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

#### 36-1C-16. Appeal of declaratory ruling.

Any person seeking a declaratory ruling hereunder, is considered aggrieved if, within thirty days of the agency's declaratory ruling, a request is made for the agency to conduct a formal hearing. The hearing must be held at the earliest convenience of the agency following the receipt of the request. A hearing under this section is a contested case under chapter 1-26.

**Section 17.** That § 36-4A-42 be AMENDED.

#### 36-4A-42. Promulgation of rules by board.

The board shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 pertaining to fees, licensure of physician assistants, <u>and</u> supervision requirements, <u>and disciplinary proceedings</u>.

**Section 18.** That § 36-4C-23 be AMENDED.

#### 36-4C-23. Investigation of violations.

The board shall investigate every alleged violation of this chapter and pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the alleged violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report it to the proper law enforcement officials of the county wherein the alleged violation has occurred.

Section 19. That § 36-5-20 be AMENDED.

## 36-5-20. Disciplinary committee--Immunity from liability--Conditions--Official immunity unaffected.

The Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 36-1C, the Board of Examiners may act as a disciplinary committee or may appoint other chiropractors licensed to practice in this state to perform such functions to maintain the professional standards of the board.

No monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages may arise against any member of a duly appointed disciplinary committee for any act or proceeding undertaken or performed within the scope of the functions of the committee, if the committee member acts without malice, has made a reasonable effort to obtain the facts of the matter on which the member acts, and acts in a reasonable effort to obtain the facts. The provisions of this section do not affect the official immunity of an officer or employee of a public corporation.

The board may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 governing the administration and enforcement of this section and the conduct of licensees, including:

- 10 (1) Purpose The purpose of the disciplinary committee;
- 11 (2) Composition The composition of the disciplinary committee; and
- 12 (3) Qualifications The qualifications of the disciplinary committee;
- 13 (4) Procedure governing the conduct of investigations and hearings by the disciplinary
  14 committee.
- 15 **Section 20.** That § 36-9-21 be AMENDED.

#### 16 **36-9-21. Promulgation of rules.**

The board shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 pertaining to:

- 18 (1) Licensing and licenses;
- 19 (2) The practice of nursing;
- 20 (3) Scope of nursing practice;
- 21 (4) Except as otherwise provided in § 36-9-28, the delegation of nursing functions to unlicensed assistive personnel under the supervision of a licensed nurse;
- 23 (5) Except as otherwise provided in § 36-9-28, the training, registration, and supervisory requirements for unlicensed personnel performing delegated nursing functions under the supervision of a licensed nurse;
- 26 (6) Disciplinary proceedings;
- 27 <del>(7)</del> Fees; and

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- 28 (8)(7) Approval of nursing education and clinical enrichment programs.
- 29 **Section 21.** That § 36-9A-41 be AMENDED.

#### 30 36-9A-41. Promulgation of rules.

The board may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 pertaining to: licensure and licenses, practice, prescriptive authority, disciplinary proceedings, and approval of education programs.

#### Section 22. That § 36-9C-32 be AMENDED.

#### 2 **36-9C-32. Promulgation of rules.**

The board shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 pertaining to:

- Licensing and licenses;
- 5 (2) The practice and scope, pursuant to § 36-9C-13, of certified professional midwives 6 and certified professional midwife students;
- 7 (3) Disciplinary proceedings;
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- 9 (5)(4) Approval of certified professional midwife education programs; and
- 10  $\frac{(6)(5)}{(5)}$  Criteria for low-risk pregnancy and delivery.

#### 11 **Section 23.** That § 36-10-49 be AMENDED.

## 36-10-49. Investigation of violations--Employment of counsel to assist in prosecution.

The Board of Examiners—and/or\_or the physical therapy committee, or both, shall investigate every supposed—alleged violation of this chapter, and pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the alleged violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report the same violation to the proper law enforcement officials wherein the act is committed. The board—is authorized to may employ special counsel subject to the supervision, control and direction of the attorney general, to assist in the prosecution of violations of this chapter, and to expend the necessary funds for such purpose.

#### **Section 24.** That § 36-11-11 be AMENDED.

#### 23 **36-11-11. Promulgation of rules.**

- The Board of Pharmacy may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26-as follows:
- 25 (1) Pertaining to the practice of pharmacy;
- 26 (2) Relating to the sanitation of persons and establishments licensed under the provisions of this chapter;
- 28 (3) Pertaining to establishments licensed under the provisions of this chapter wherein 29 any drug is compounded, prepared, dispensed or sold;
- 30 (4) Providing for minimum equipment and standards of establishments licensed under 31 the provisions of this chapter;
- 32 (5) Pertaining to the sale of drugs by or through any mechanical device;

- (6) In cooperation with other governmental agencies where there exists a joint responsibility for protecting the public health and welfare;
  - (7) Pertaining to the sale of nonprescription drugs;
- 4 (8) To adopt such publications or supplements thereto as shall from time to time be deemed necessary to describe the drugs, medicines, prescription drugs, dispensing physician or other terms <u>used\_defined\_in § 36-11-2;</u>
  - (9) Pertaining to the posting of prescription prices on the premises of a pharmacy department to provide consumers with comparative pricing information;
  - (10) Pertaining to registration of drug wholesalers and manufacturers;
- 10 (11) Pertaining to home health care and service;
- 11 (12) Pertaining to computerized pharmacy;

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- 12 (13) Pertaining to the registration of registered pharmacy technicians and the suspension
  13 or revocation of registration; an annual registration fee not to exceed thirty dollars;
  14 and tasks that may not be delegated by a licensed pharmacist to a registered
  15 technician;
  - (14) Redispensing of pharmaceuticals; and
- 17 (15) Pertaining to the dispensing of biological products.

#### Section 25. That § 36-18A-22 be AMENDED.

## 36-18A-22. Board to promulgate rules--Scope of rules--Existing rules remain in effect.

The board shall, pursuant to chapter 1-26, promulgate rules—which that may be reasonably necessary for the performance of its duties, the regulation of proceedings before it, and the licensure of the professions it regulates. The existing rules promulgated under the previous chapter 36-18 remain in effect until replaced. The board shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, for the licensure of professional engineers, architects, land surveyors, landscape architects, and petroleum release assessors and remediators in the following areas:

- Forms such as applications, renewals, licenses or certificates, and receipts for applicants, licensed professionals, and business entities;
- (2) Fees for applications, examinations, renewals, late penalties, lists and labels of licensees, returned checks, reinstatement, inactive status, ability to allow a vendor to collect fees for examinations, waiver of fees;
- (3) Criteria for types of education degrees, approval of accredited programs, intern programs, type of experience, length of experience, national and state specific

1		examinations, use of computer examinations, chema from other countries,
2		procedure to evaluate foreign degrees, eligibility of applicants, dual licenses;
3	(4)	Continuing professional education and development content, hours, carryovers, and
4		requirements;
5	(5)	How, when, and where to seal plans and documents; type of seal; required services
6		to be provided; and criteria to define complete plans, minimum standards of
7		practice, and guidelines;
8	(6)	Description of and criteria for construction administration, including a designation
9		of who is to perform construction administration and criteria for a prime professional
LO		or a coordinating professional;
l 1	(7)	Requirements for compliance with local building code; and
<b>12</b>	(8)	The adoption of a code of professional conduct;
L3	<del>(9)</del>	Procedures for disciplinary proceedings; and
L4	<del>(10)</del>	Procedures for contested cases pursuant to chapter 1 26.
L5	Section	<b>26.</b> That § 36-19-9 be AMENDED.
۱6	3	6-19-9. Officers of boardScope of rulesBond required of treasurer.
L7		The State Board of Funeral Service shall have the power to may elect, out of its
18	own	number, a president, a vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, and, pursuant to
19	chapt	er 1-26, promulgate the rules as may be reasonable and proper to:
20	(1)	Establish the minimum physical standards of licensees' funeral establishments;
21	(2)	Regulate the inspection of each funeral establishment;
22	(3)	Establish the educational, training, reciprocity and renewal requirements for
23		licensure; and
24	(4)	However, the board may not regulate the method and manner of providing funeral

(5) Conduct investigations and implement disciplinary proceedings.

The treasurer of-such the board shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars

with sufficient sureties to be approved by-such the board, conditioned for the honest and

faithful discharge of his the treasurer's duties.

Section 27. That § 36-20B-41 be AMENDED.

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## 36-20B-41. Investigations--Probable cause determination--Subpoena power of board.

The board may, upon receipt of a complaint or other information suggesting violations of this chapter or of the rules of the board, conduct investigations in accordance with chapter 36-1C to determine whether there is probable cause to institute proceedings under chapter 1-26 or of this chapter against any person or firm for such violation. However, no investigation under this section may be a prerequisite to—such the proceedings—in the event that if a determination of probable cause can be made without investigation. In aid of such investigations, the board or the chair thereof may issue subpoenas to compel witnesses to testify and to produce evidence.

**Section 28.** That § 36-20B-42 be AMENDED.

#### 36-20B-42. Investigating officer--Confidentiality of information.

The board may designate a member, or any other person of appropriate competence, to serve as investigating officer to conduct an investigation. Upon completion of an investigation, the investigating officer shall file a report with the board. The board shall find probable cause or lack of probable cause upon the basis of the report or shall return the report to the investigating officer for further investigation. Unless there has been a determination of probable cause, If an investigation committee determines a complaint or other information suggesting a violation under § 36-20B-41 lacks probable cause, the report of the investigating—officer\_committee, the complaint, if any, the testimony and documents submitted in support of the complaint or gathered in the investigation, and the fact of pendency of the investigation shall—must\_be treated as confidential information and may not be disclosed to any person except law enforcement authorities and, to the extent deemed considered necessary in order to conduct the investigation, the subject of the investigation, persons—the person whose complaints are complaint is being investigated, and witnesses—any witness questioned in the course of the investigation.

**Section 29.** That § 36-20B-43 be AMENDED.

#### 36-20B-43. Findings of investigation--Effect.

Upon a finding of probable cause, At the conclusion of the investigation under § 36-1C-4, if the subject of the investigation is a licensee or an individual with practice privileges under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67, the board staff shall proceed in accordance with chapter 1-26. If the subject of the investigation is not a licensee or an

individual with privileges under this chapter, the board shall take appropriate action under this chapter. Upon a finding of no probable cause, the board shall close the matter and shall thereafter release information relating thereto only with the consent of the person or firm under investigation.

**Section 30.** That § 36-20B-45 be AMENDED.

## 36-20B-45. Issuance of complaint--Administrative hearing--Service of complaint and notice of hearing.

If probable cause with respect to a violation by a licensee or an individual with practice privileges granted under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67 has been determined by the board, or upon receipt of notice of a decision by the board of another state furnishing grounds for a determination of probable cause, the board may issue a complaint setting forth appropriate charges and set a date for hearing before the board on such charges. If a complaint is issued and a hearing date set, the board shall, not less than thirty days prior to the date of the hearing, serve a copy of the complaint and notice of the time and place of the hearing upon the licensee or an individual with practice privileges granted under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67, together with a copy of the board's rules governing proceedings under this section, either by personal delivery or by mailing a copy thereof by registered mail to the licensee at the licensee's address, last known to the board. In the case of an individual exercising practice privileges under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67, service contested case proceedings under chapter 1-26. Service shall be by certified or registered mail to the address last known to the board, or pursuant to chapter 1-26.

#### **Section 31.** That § 36-20B-46 be AMENDED.

#### 36-20B-46. Respondent to have access to investigatory report and evidence.

A licensee or an An individual with practice privileges under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67 against whom a complaint has been issued under this section may, reasonably in advance of the hearing, examine and copy the report of investigation, if any, and any documentary or testimonial evidence and summaries of anticipated evidence in the board's possession relating to the subject matter of the complaint. The board shall adopt rules, promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26, governing proceedings under this section to specify the manner in which such right may be exercised.

Section 32. That § 36-20B-47 be AMENDED.

## 36-20B-47. Appearance at hearing--Examination and presentation of witnesses and evidence--Subpoenas.

The respondent licensee or an shall appear at the hearing as required by § 36-1C-10. An individual with practice privileges granted under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67 may appear at the hearing in person or, in the case of a firm, through a partner, officer, director, shareholder, member, or manager, and by counsel, examine witnesses and evidence presented in support of the complaint, and present evidence and witnesses on the licensee's or an individual's own behalf. The licensee or an individual granted practice privileges under the provisions of § 36-20B-66 or 36-20B-67 is entitled, on application to the board, to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documentary evidence.

#### **Section 33.** That § 36-21A-89 be AMENDED.

## 36-21A-89. Administration and enforcement of chapter--Promulgation of rules.

The commission may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 relating to the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter in the following areas:

- (1) Procedures for conducting the commission's business;
- (2) Procedures and qualifications for application, minimum requirements for examination, procedures for the examination and the administration of the examination, the required score for passing the examination, and procedures for replacement of a license;
- (3) Requirements for dividing a commission with a broker in another state, requirements for application for licensure by reciprocity and the practice of a nonresident licensee in the state;
- (4) Procedures for application to provide classroom instruction or correspondence work for prelicensing education, qualifications of the instructors and facilities, and procedures for approving classroom instruction and correspondence work and for withdrawing the approval;
- (5) Procedures for disciplinary proceedings, including requirements for filing a complaint, dismissal of a complaint, informal and formal resolution of a complaint, formal complaint and answer requirements, final action and review, disqualification of a commission member from a hearing and authorization for per diem and mileage;
- (6) Procedures for declaratory rulings, petitions for rules and contested cases;

1	<del>(7)      Re</del>	quirements for a real estate auction, use of unlicensed persons to call or take
2	bid	s, and the requirements, duties and responsibilities of an auctioneer;
3	<del>(8)</del> (6) Re	quirements for mortgage brokers, including areas such as trust accounts, record-
4	kee	eping, written contracts, full disclosure and restrictions on chargeable costs and
5	exp	penses;
6	<del>(9)</del> (7) Red	quirements for continuing education including procedures for granting a
7	cer	tificate of accreditation; notification of a material change in an approved course
8	off	ering; suspension, revocation and denial of course approval; notice to students
9	reg	arding the course and opportunity for comment; auditing; certificates of
10	att	endance; preregistration and limits on correspondence courses;
11	<del>(10)</del> (8)	Requirements for property managers, including areas such as trust accounts,
12	aud	diting, contracts, disclosure, disciplinary matters, financial obligations and
13	rec	ords, and property management accounting; and
14	<del>(11)</del> (9)	Requirements for establishing and maintaining teams and the requirements,
15	dut	ties, and responsibilities of team leaders.
16	Section 34.	That § 36-21B-3 be AMENDED.
17	36-2:	LB-3. Promulgation of rules.
18	Th	e secretary of the Department of Labor and Regulation may promulgate rules
19	pursuant	to chapter 1-26 relating to appraisers and appraisals in the following areas:
20	(1) Ce	rtification, licensing, and registration of appraisers;
21	(2) De	finition of terms;
22	(3) Un	iform standards of professional appraisal practice;
23	(4) Ap	plication for and issuance of certificates;
24	(5) Exa	aminations and examination procedures;
25	(6) Pre	-certification education criteria and continuing education;
26	(7) Qu	alifications for and upgrading of a certificate;
27	(8) Tra	insactions requiring certified, licensed, or registered appraisers;
28	(9) Re	newal and late renewal procedures;
29	(10) Ce	rtificate by reciprocity;
30	(11) Tei	mporary practice and permits;
31	(12) <del>Co</del>	<del>mplaints and grounds</del> <u>Grounds</u> for disciplinary actions including denial,
32	rev	ocation, suspension, censure, and reprimand;
33	(13) Co	nflict of interest and investigation;
34	(14) Ad	vertising by certified, licensed, or registered appraisers;

- 1 (15) Retention and inspection of records, and rosters of appraisers;
- 2 (16) Appraiser membership, competency, and independence;
- 3 (17) Review of appraisals and contracting for investigations;
- 4 (18) Inspection, examination, and photocopy of appraisal records for audit purposes;
- 5 (19) Inactive status; and

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6 (20) Exemptions and standards allowing appraisers to perform an evaluation for a 7 federally insured depository institution.

#### Section 35. That § 36-21C-6 be AMENDED.

#### 36-21C-6. Promulgation of rules for licensing and registration.

The commission shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 for licensed and registered home inspectors in the following areas:

- (1) Standards and requirements for prelicense and continuing education, including qualifications of instructors, procedures for granting a certificate of accreditation, notification of a material change in an approved course offering, suspension, revocation, and denial of course approval, certification of attendance, preregistration, and hours required to renew a license or registration;
- (2) A code of ethics and standards of practice;
- (3) Fees for applications, examinations, registration, licensure, and renewals, not to exceed two hundred dollars for application and one hundred dollars for renewal; and
  - (4) Procedures and qualifications for application, minimum requirements for examination, procedures for the examination and the administration of the examination, the required score for passing the examination, and procedures for replacement of a license;
  - (5) Procedures for disciplinary proceedings, including requirements for filing a complaint, dismissal of a complaint, informal and formal resolution of a complaint, formal complaint and answer requirements, final action and review, disqualification of a commission member from a hearing, and authorization for per diem and mileage; and
- (6) Procedures for declaratory rulings, petitions for rules, and contested cases.
- 31 **Section 36.** That § 36-21D-4 be AMENDED.

#### 1 36-21D-4. Promulgation of rules regarding companies and services.

The secretary of the Department of Labor and Regulation may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 relating to appraisal management companies and appraisal management services as follows in the following areas:

- Registration of appraisal management companies;
- 6 (2) Definition of terms;
- 7 (3) Responsibilities and duties;
- 8 (4) Application for and issuance of certificate of registration;
- 9 (5) Renewal and late renewal procedures;
- 10 (6) Investigation and contracting Contracting for investigations;
- 11 (7) Complaints and grounds for disciplinary actions, including denial, revocation, suspension, censure, and reprimand;
- 13 (8) Retention and inspection of records;
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- 15 (10) Review of appraisal related records;
- 16 (11) Inspection, examination, and photocopy of records;
- 17 (12) National registry fee collection and remittance; and
- 18 (13) Filing of surety bonds or irrevocable letters of credit.

#### 19 **Section 37.** That § 36-26-41 be AMENDED.

## 36-26-41. Investigation and report of violations--Employment of special counsel--Expenses.

The board shall investigate every supposed alleged violation of this chapter, and pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the board violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report the same to the proper law enforcement officials wherein the act is committed. The board is authorized to employ special counsel subject to the supervision, control and direction of the attorney general, to assist in the prosecution of violations of this chapter and to expend the necessary funds for such purpose.

#### Section 38. That § 36-27A-34 be AMENDED.

#### 36-27A-34. Investigation and prosecution of violations.

The Board of Examiners of Psychologists shall investigate every alleged violation of this chapter <u>pursuant to chapter 36-1C</u>. The board may employ special counsel, subject to approval, supervision, control, and direction by the attorney general, to assist in the

prosecution of violations of this chapter, and to spend the necessary funds for that purpose.

Section 39. That § 36-29-26 be AMENDED.

#### 36-29-26. Investigation and report of violations.

The Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners shall investigate every supposed alleged violation of this chapter and pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the alleged violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report the same to the proper law enforcement officials wherein the violation is committed.

Section 40. That § 36-31-22 be AMENDED.

#### 36-31-22. Investigation and report of violations.

The board shall investigate every <u>supposed\_alleged\_violation</u> of this chapter <del>and</del> <u>pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the alleged violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report the same to the proper law enforcement officials wherein the violation is committed.</u>

Section 41. That § 36-32-80 be AMENDED.

#### 36-32-80. Complaints--Investigation--Dismissal--Hearing--Appeal.

The board shall receive complaints Complaints regarding any person licensed under this chapter shall be processed pursuant to chapter 36-1C. A record of each complaint shall be maintained by in the board office.

An-Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 36-1C, an investigation shall-may be conducted by a member, agent, or an appointee of the board to determine whether the alleged violation has been committed. The investigator, if a member of the board, may dismiss a complaint if it appears to the member, in consultation with the board president, that no violation has been committed. If the investigator is an agent or an appointee of the board, dismissal of the complaint may only be made by the board president. Any disposition agreed upon between the investigator and the licensee or permit holder shall be made known to and approved by the board.

Any disciplinary proceeding shall-must be conducted in accordance with chapter 1-26. Any decision of the board entered in a contested proceeding may be appealed to the circuit court within thirty days. A license or permit shall remain-remains in effect during the pendency of an appeal, unless suspended under § 36-32-86.

Section 42. That § 36-32-89 be AMENDED.

## 36-32-89. Violations reported to law enforcement officials--Prosecution of violations.

The board shall investigate and report an alleged violation of any provision of this chapter, pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C, and report the alleged violation. The board may employ special counsel subject to the supervision, control, and direction of the attorney general to assist in the prosecution of alleged criminal violations and may expend the necessary funds for this purpose.

Section 43. That § 36-33-58 be AMENDED.

#### 36-33-58. Complaints--Investigation--Dismissal--Hearing--Appeal.

The board shall receive complaints regarding the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter <u>pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C</u>. A record of each complaint shall be maintained by the board. An investigation shall be conducted by a member, agent, or an appointee of the board to determine whether an alleged violation has been committed.

The Notwithstanding chapter 36-1C, the investigator, if a member of the board, may dismiss a complaint if it appears to the member, in consultation with the board president, that no violation has been committed. If the investigator is an agent or an appointee of the board, dismissal of the complaint may only be made by the board president. Any disposition agreed upon between the investigator and the licensee or permit holder shall be made known to and approved by the board.

Any disciplinary proceeding shall be conducted in accordance with chapter 1-26. Any decision of the board entered in a contested proceeding may be appealed to the circuit court within thirty days. A license or permit shall remain in effect during the pendency of an appeal unless suspended under § 36-33-64.

Section 44. That § 36-34-18 be AMENDED.

## 36-34-18. Receipt and log of complaints--Investigation--Disciplinary proceeding.

The board shall receive complaints concerning a practitioner's professional practices. Each complaint received shall be logged by the secretary-treasurer, or the board's designee, recording the practitioner's name, name of the complaining party, date of the complaint, a brief statement of the complaint, and its ultimate disposition. The

board shall investigate each alleged violation of this chapter <u>pursuant to the procedures</u>

- 2 set forth in chapter 36-1C. All disciplinary proceedings held under the authority of this
- 3 chapter shall-must be conducted in accordance with chapter 1-26.
- 4 **Section 45.** That § 36-35-20 be AMENDED.

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#### 36-35-20. Investigation of complaints--Inspections.

The board may shall receive and investigate any complaint filed with the board alleging a violation of this chapter <u>pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C</u>. The board may inspect the place of business of the licensee named in a complaint during normal business hours or upon written notice.

- 10 **Section 46.** That § 36-36-12 be AMENDED.
- 11 36-36-12. Promulgation of rules.
- The board shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 pertaining to fees, licensure, investigations, disciplinary proceedings, and continuing education.
- 14 **Section 47.** That § 36-38-21 be AMENDED.

#### 36-38-21. Investigation of suspected violations--Prosecution of violations.

The board shall investigate each suspected violation of this chapter and pursuant to the procedures set forth in chapter 36-1C. If the suspected violation is committed by a nonlicensee, the board shall report the violation to the proper law enforcement official where the act is committed. The board is authorized to employ special counsel subject to the supervision, control, and direction of the attorney general to assist in the prosecution of violations of this chapter, and to expend the necessary funds for such purpose.

22 Section 48. That section 47 of this Act is repealed on July 1, 2024.

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#### October - November 2020 BOE Meeting Highlights

Please note that some of this information was not known at the time of the BOE meetings in October and November. Therefore, this document includes both BOE meeting highlights and current information.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, BOE meetings have been held remotely via Zoom. Rather than a single, standard 12-hour meeting, two shorter Zoom calls were held remotely in October and November. This Meeting Highlights document covers both meetings.

#### Impact of COVID-19 on the CPA Exam

Thankfully the AICPA Exams Team is safe and healthy and can work completely remotely with no negative impact on operations.

21,161 sections were delivered in 20Q2, 43% of 19Q2. 49,445 sections were delivered in 20Q3, 87% of 19Q3.

Prometric centers are open at full capacity and we understand that Candidates across all professions are hesitant to return to testing in test centers.

Regarding the launch of Continuous Testing in 20Q3, 12,852 test sections were delivered June  $11^{th} - 30^{th}$ , approximately 26% of the entire quarter. 3,008 test sections were delivered to Candidates retesting a failed section within 20Q3 with 1,588 of those test sections having a passing grade.

20Q4 has increased to 63,238 sections scheduled, 8% higher than 19Q4. Note that 2019 testing ended on December 10<sup>th</sup> and 2020 testing ends on December 31<sup>st</sup> with continuous testing. 20Q4 could finish 10% higher than 19Q4 if Candidates continue scheduling and potentially retest failed sections in 20Q4.

21Q1 is still down and is currently forecasted to be only 58% of 20Q1. We are hopeful that 21Q1 will rebound as Candidates receive their scores and schedule for 21Q1.

Significant cost savings have resulted from a travel ban, all BOE, Committee and Subcommittee meetings being held remotely, and reductions in our profession services expenditures.

Much of the \$4M surplus will be depleted in 2020. AICPA had previously announced a \$10 increase for 2021 which will support the AICPA's meeting the break-even provision of the contract in 2024 and support initial development of CPA Evolution.

NASBA and the AICPA continue negotiations on the renewal of their CPA Exam agreement.

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#### **Current Practice Analysis**

The BOE Content Subcommittees, the BOE Content Committee, and the BOE approved the recommendations to the CPA Exam blueprints and CPA Exam content.

A CPA Exam Practice Analysis Final Report and an updated CPA Exam blueprint were published in November 2020 and the updated CPA Exam from this Practice Analysis will launch on July 1, 2021. They are available here:

https://www.aicpa.org/becomeacpa/cpaexam/examinationcontent.html

#### International (12/4/20 calculations)

India

June 2020:

652 sections delivered

September 2020:

1,199 sections delivered

December 2020:

1,207 sections scheduled

21Q1:

275 sections scheduled

21Q2:

10 sections scheduled

Nepal

December 2020:

0 sections scheduled

21Q1:

0 sections scheduled

South Korea

20Q4:

1,269 scheduled sections

2101:

575 scheduled sections

Egypt

20Q4:

84 sections scheduled

21Q1:

20 sections scheduled

Jordon

20Q4:

106 sections scheduled

21Q1:

14 sections scheduled

#### Canada

Launch scheduled for December 8th, 2020

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#### **Remote Testing**

Remote testing is being explored as a delivery alternative to a lockdown of test centers and potentially to be used in "emergency situations".

The AICPA is in the midst of software modifications to our Test Delivery Driver to support remote testing. Note that the current Driver was developed with web-based technology but operates in a client-server-based Prometric test center as it is deployed from a Prometric server. Development of the Remote Testing Driver means modifying the current Driver to support more candidates, hosting it in the cloud, updating the scratch spreadsheet, and interfacing with Prometric's WebLaunch application.

#### Why Remote Testing:

- Allows Candidates to test during a test center shutdown
  - o Where test centers are shut down for any reason
  - o 26,000 CPA Exam sections were cancelled in 20O2
- Keep Candidates in the CPA pipeline
- Will Remote Testing be required for Candidates that are immune compromised?

#### **How does Remote Testing Work?**

- Standard eligibility, scheduling, and score reporting with NASBA and the state boards
- Candidate tests in their home or other location (4 walls, doors, etc.)
- Candidate uses their own computer, monitor, camera and wifi that must meet minimum requirements
  - Legal has approved this requirement
- Candidate walks through initial steps by themselves ID capture, image capture and checklist
- Prometric Readiness Agent walks Candidate through candidate detail confirmation, 360-degree camera environmental check and candidate ID check
- Candidate then proceeds to a Prometric Proctor for examination observation
- If any concerns are noted, Prometric ProProctor Security Agent engaged
- Software and CPA Exam content are securely deployed from the cloud and Exam answers secured transmitted back to the AICPA
- Psychometric and legally approved software and process

#### Security:

- Limited versions of the Exam will be used for remote testing and remote testing only
- Candidate is monitored and videotaped the entire time they are testing
- Prometric may stop the Exam, interrogate the Candidate, and / or abort the Exam at any time
- Candidate videos may be reviewed during and after the test administration
- Candidate's computer is locked down so that only allowed software can be accessed

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#### Next Steps:

- The goal is to have the software "launch-ready" by 20Q4 and ready for NASBA-AICPA-Prometric internal testing in January and February 2021.
- Securing approval of Pilot Testing (Lifeboat Testing) only
  - o Test in small lifeboat sizes before any future wide-spread adoption
  - o March 12 31, 2021 only
  - o 250 1,000 sections
  - o No first-time test takers, no retesting of a failed section within a quarter
  - o Domestic only
- Tests communications, operations, procedures, processes, software, user interface, etc.
- Continue to share best practices with ICAEW, ICAS, Chartered Accountants of Ireland, etc. where remote testing is underway!

#### **Future Considerations / To Be Determined:**

- Definition of "emergency"?
- When might wider-scale Remote Testing be used?
- ADA test accommodations support?
- Remote Testing of International Candidates not in the US?

#### **CPA Evolution**

The AICPA Exams Team's work is underway in the "Foundation and Framework" preliminary phase of the CPA Evolution Practice Analysis with the high-level definition of the Core and Disciplines.

The Exams Team has been meeting monthly with the AICPA-NASBA CPA Evolution Task Force to review the starting definition of the Core and Disciplines as well as possible transition policies, overall schedules, etc.

The Exams Team continues to meet with the BOE and the BOE CPA Evolution Sponsor Group so they may oversee the CPA Evolution Practice Analysis.

At this time, NASBA and the AICPA have reviewed and concur on the high-level Core and Discipline definitions and the AICPA is prepared to launch the Practice Analysis with our vendor AIR on focus groups and ranking exercises.

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#### **New State Board Toolkit**

The State Board Committee made a recommendation for the creation of a clearinghouse-type web page where Exec Directors, board members and board staff could go to easily get CPA Examrelated information from the AICPA.

We developed and launched a new website: <a href="https://www.aicpa.org/becomeacpa/cpaexam/state-board-toolkit.html">https://www.aicpa.org/becomeacpa/cpaexam/state-board-toolkit.html</a>

The toolkit is not a site for the public. It is designed for use by boards of accountancy. Instead of searching the AICPA website for information, all the most relevant links to information are provided, including: Blueprints, Score Release Dates, Pass Rates, Videos, Podcast, etc.

Additionally, you'll have access to a general PowerPoint presentation you can use when you have requests to speak to outside groups. We'll continue to add more resources of this type.

Lastly, there is an opt-in button if you would like to receive period CPA Exam-related emails from the AICPA. This is a new system we began using earlier this year to reach candidates and other stakeholders. There is a contact button to email the Examinations Team's communications staff with any questions or suggestions you may have to improve the toolkit.

We hope you find it to be an easy access resource for you and your teams.

We'll send the toolkit link out to everyone after this meeting so you can bookmark and share it.