

March 17, 2026

The Honorable Beth Van Duyne  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Van Duyne:

On behalf of the members of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants, we write in support of H.R. 7026, the Fiscal State of the Nation Act and ask that you cosponsor this bill. This legislation represents a critical step to ensure that Congress has fair and balanced information available when making long term fiscal decisions on behalf of the American people.

A 2025 survey conducted by The Harris Poll on behalf of the AICPA demonstrated that Americans want Congress to have the best information when making important fiscal decisions for our country. According to the survey, 81 percent of Americans agree they would support an annual report to Congress provided by the U.S. Comptroller on the audited financial statements of the nation, with 38 percent indicated they strongly agree. This legislation would do just that.

The Fiscal State of the Nation Act would require a joint hearing of the Committees on the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Senate to receive a presentation from the Comptroller General of the United States regarding the audited financial statement of the executive branch. This simple proposal would ensure that Members of Congress have fact-based and balanced information on the nation's fiscal health, which is incredibly important in the current environment.

More specifically, we believe requiring the U.S. Comptroller General to give an annual presentation to a bipartisan, bicameral group of Members of Congress will help to focus key policymakers on some of the most important aspects of the consolidated financial statements, including financial and sustainability measures. It will also assist Congress to better understand the results of the financial statement audit and any related findings. The requirements outlined in this legislation represent a critical step in moving our federal government forward, particularly as it relates to financial accountability and transparency, and will encourage improved decision making.

Again, we thank you for your support and respectfully request that you cosponsor H.R. 7026. To cosponsor, please contact Hans Hellman in Rep. Andy Barr's office at [Hans.Hellman@mail.house.gov](mailto:Hans.Hellman@mail.house.gov) or Dillon Cooke in Rep. Scott Peters' office at [Dillon.Cooke2@mail.house.gov](mailto:Dillon.Cooke2@mail.house.gov). The CPA profession believes that everyone benefits from having reliable, objective, and balanced information to make good financial decisions.

Sincerely,



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