**Advocacy Resources**

**Comment Letters**

*PA House*
- Email to House Finance Committee Re: withholding – [Please Support A09950 to HB 2413](#) – Dated Oct 8, 2018
- Joint letter from PICPA, Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, PA Credit Union Association Re: [Keystone Scholars Program](#) – Dated Jun 19, 2018

*PA Dept. of Revenue*
- [PICPA Request to Delay Implementation of New 1099-MISC Withholding Requirement](#) – Dated Jan 26, 2018
- [PICPA Comments on Department of Revenue Draft Marketplace Sales Guidance](#) – Dated Jan 22, 2018

*PA Dept. of Community & Economic Development*
- [Pennsylvania Local Tax Enabling Act Comment Letter](#) – Dated Jul 12, 2018

*PA Dept. of Labor & Industry*
- [Joint Letter re: Request to Extend Public Comment Period for Overtime Proposal](#) – Dated Jun 29, 2018

*US Senate*
- [Comment letter to U.S. Sens. Rob Portman and Benjamin Cardin regarding the Protecting Taxpayers Act](#) – Dated Aug 27, 2018
- Requesting PA Senators support S. 540 – [Mobile Workforce Income Tax Simplification Act in the upcoming government spending legislation](#) – Dated Feb 28, 2018

*US House*
- Taxpayer First Act Discussion Draft, U.S. House Subcommittee on Oversight – [PICPA Federal Tax Committee Response to the Discussion Draft](#) – Dated Apr 6, 2018
- Requesting PA Representatives support S. 540 – [Mobile Workforce Income Tax Simplification Act in the upcoming government spending legislation](#) – Dated Feb 28, 2018

*IRS*
- [Re: IRS Immediate and Interpretive TCJA Guidance Request 2018 – 2019](#) – Dated Jun 15, 2018

*GASB*
- [RE: Conduit Debt Obligations - Project No. 26-6](#) – Dated Oct 2, 2018
- [RE: Revenue and Expense Recognition, Project No. 4-6I](#) – Dated Mar 28, 2018
- [RE: Implementation Guide No. 201Y-X: Project 24-16ED](#) – Dated Feb 12, 2018
- [RE: Accounting for Interest Cost during the Period of Construction: Project 9-5](#) – Dated Feb 12, 2018
Testimony

- Pa. House Finance Subcommittee on Tax Modernization & Reform – Dated Apr 9, 2018
- Pa. House Finance Subcommittee on Tax Modernization & Reform – Dated Feb 20, 2018

Questions and Answers from the PA Department of Revenue

- Transcript of Oct 24, 2018 Annual Meeting
- Transcript of Aug 23, 2018 Quarterly Meeting
- Transcript of May 22, 2018 Quarterly Meeting

Events

PICPA’s Day on the Hill took place on June 12, 2018 with 76 members in attendance. Following a welcome by PICPA president Stephen Christian and a legislative briefing by PICPA’s government relations team, members heard from a panel of CPA legislators, including Sen. Pat Browne (R-Lehigh), Rep. John Maher (R-Allegheny), Rep. Keith Greiner (R-Lancaster), and Rep. Frank Ryan (R-Lebanon). Updates were provided on the 2018-2019 state budget deliberations and other topics pending before the General Assembly.

PICPA members then fanned out through the state capitol and participated in 136 meetings with state legislators. Members asked their lawmakers to support bonus depreciation legislation (House Bill 2017 and Senate Bill 1056) and 1099-MISC nonresident withholding legislation (House Bill 2413). Members also educated legislators on combined reporting, a position on which PICPA is neutral, and thanked them for their support for our legislation amending the local earned income tax collection law (Act 32), which went into effect this spring as Act 18.

Educational Tools

Issue Briefs

- Bonus Depreciation
- 1099-MISC Withholding
- Combined Reporting
- Pennsylvania Pensions Reaching Crisis Levels

Online Resources

Podcasts

- 2018-2019 Pennsylvania Legislative Session Preview – Dated Aug 27, 2018

Webinars

- Federal Taxation Committee Year End Webinar – Dated Dec. 12, 2018
- LU Webinar: Post-Election & End-of-Year Update – Dated Nov 21, 2018
- DOR Annual Q & A Webinar – Dated Oct 24, 2018
- R&D Electronic Application Demonstration Webinar – Dated July 12, 2018
- LU Webinar: 2018-2019 State Budget Finalized – Dated Jul 11, 2018
- LU Webinar: Spring/Summer Update – Dated May 24, 2018
- LU Webinar: Budget Update – Dated Feb 16, 2018
Publications

**CPA Now Blog Pieces**

- State Lawmakers Elect Leadership Teams for 2019-2020 Session – Dated Nov 19, 2018
- Understanding the CPA-PAC, PICPA’s Political Action Committee – Dated Oct 29, 2018
- Inside the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue – Dated Oct 15, 2018
- Ready or Not, Pennsylvania Tax Reform Debate is Coming – Dated Sep 24, 2018
- Summer Pause a Prelude to Fall PICPA Advocacy Fights – Dated Aug 13, 2018
- The Key to Easy State Budgets, and What Wayfair Means to Pa. – Dated Jul 16, 2018
- The CPA’s Voice is Always Loudest at PICPA’s Day on the Hill – Dated Jun 18, 2018
- Pa. Local Tax Income Fix: Second Time is a Charm – Dated May 21, 2018
- Sick of Sitting on the Sidelines? Consider Attending Day on the Hill – Dated May 18, 2018
- Are you Ready to Vote in the Pennsylvania Primary Election? – Dated May 9, 2018
- EIT Bill Common Sense, but Making Law is a Practice in Patience – Dated Apr 23, 2018
- Springing into the Pennsylvania Budget Season – Dated Apr 16, 2018
- Tired of Politics? Legislators Determine Policy Regardless – Dated Apr 2, 2018
- An Update on the Pennsylvania Budget and New 1099 Rules – Dated Feb 12, 2018
- Revised Financial Reporting Requirements for Charitable Organizations Now Law – Dated Feb 9, 2018
- Big Tax Issue Awaits State Lawmakers – Dated Jan 23, 2018

**CPA Journal Articles**

- PICPA Wraps up Successful 2017-2018 Legislative Session – Dated Nov 29, 2018
- Business Backgrounds Go Head-to-Head in Pa. Election: Pa.’s Gubernatorial Candidates – Dated Sep 4, 2018
- PICPA Government Relations Enhancing Initiatives for Future Leaders – Dated Jun 4, 2018
- Advocacy Never Takes a Day Off – Dated Feb 28, 2018

**Accomplishments**

- Act 18 of 2018 – Amends the Local Tax Enabling Act to provide consistency to the local EIT crediting provisions to protect taxpayers from double taxation. Official bill text can be found [here](https://www.legis.state.pa.us/Statuteerne/250-790/251-160/Act18.html). Signed into law May 4, 2018.
- Act 6 of 2018 – Amends Act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities providing for reporting of sanctions and criminal proceedings, for definitions, for suspensions and civil penalties. Signed into law Feb 15, 2018.