## **CPA**

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Exam at 120-credit hours while still requiring 150-credit hours for licensure.

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Effective Nov. 2, Indiana governor Eric Holcomb signed into law an official rule

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"The cost and time spent on higher education is increasingly in the spotlight," said INCPAS President & CEO Courtney Kincaid, CAE. "As employers have been adapting to employees' needs and work preferences, so, too, must the CPA profession offer students the Exam flexibility that works with their academic, work and personal lives."

This rule change will reduce or remove barriers for accounting students seeking to pursue their CPA license and career in Indiana by:

- Moving Indiana into the group of 47 jurisdictions that allows candidates to sit for the Exam at 120-credit hours while still requiring 150-credit hours for licensure
- Removing CPA Exam section names and windows, and allowing continuous testing and retaking of failed section(s)
- Incorporating changes to the CPA Exam that align with the new CPA Evolution Model Curriculum launching in 2024, which will include core skills along with future-focused disciplines

"Most states have already adopted this rule, so this removes a competitive challenge," said INCPAS Government Relations Advisory Council member Tom Bayer, CPA, CExP. "Now more Indiana students will be able to come out of college with the CPA Exam partially or fully completed, which will be a win for our profession statewide."

Students who complete at least part of the CPA Exam before they graduate or inbetween school and their work start date are far more likely to complete the Exam cycle and go on to be CPA licensees in Indiana.

"Taking sections of the Exam just after studying the material intensely during their college coursework will be a huge help for students," Diane L. Sturek, CPA, Macc, INCPAS Board Chair and senior lecturer at Kelley School of Business

Indianapolis. "Further, it will be easier to make studying for the Exam a part of their

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agencies. CPA Candidates and students planning to sit for the CPA Exam can now submit their Notice to Sit once they have reached 120-credit hours on NASBA's site. Note: It may take additional time for NASBA to update this page to reflect this change.

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