

- When lawyers were trying to limit oil land men from doing some things the lawyers considered the practice of law, the proposed wording would have also limited CPAs tax practice. Because of good relationships with the bill sponsor, TSCPA got it fixed so CPAs were not included.
- When TSCPA was trying to get the \$200 head tax (professional service fee) repealed, we needed legislators to push the bill and the Lt. Governor to support and schedule the bill for a vote. Its successful passage put \$200 a year back in the pocket of every licensed Texas CPA.
- CPAs are not subject to privacy legislation, i.e., they don't have to have privacy policies nor send clients privacy notices because we knew the bill sponsor and TSCPA convinced him to exclude CPAs.
- When legislation was proposed that would require CPAs that did fraud investigations to also hold a private investigator's license, because we knew the sponsor TSCPA got an exemption for CPAs from the requirement.
- When legislation was proposed that would water down CPA standards, through interaction with a committee chair and support from other legislators, TSCPA was able to ensure that the legislation was never voted from committee.
- When legislation was proposed that would allow non-CPAs an avenue to provide services currently restricted to CPAs, through interaction with House Calendar Committee members TSCPA was able to delay the legislation so it died in the committee, never reaching the floor for a vote.
- When legislation was offered to provide a limited exemption from the insurance services tax for licensed CPA firms, we were able to get our bill sponsor to work with the Calendars Committee Chair to schedule our bill for a vote in the House before time expired in the session.
- When our legislation to repeal the ability for state and local governments to opt out of following GAAP was stalled in the House our Senate sponsor and the Lt. Governor got the bill moved in the Senate to successful completion and enactment.