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In order to be responsive to the latest legislative developments, MOCPA continually monitors proposed legislation. The society utilizes both professional and grassroots lobbyists to ensure the CPA profession has a voice in Jefferson City. By keeping members informed, MOCPA is empowering you to contribute to the legislative process.

# Update provided by Chuck Pierce, CPA, MOCPA government relations consultant

#### **Session Update**

The Senate exhibited some semblance of normal operations last week. The House continued to churn through bills. MOCPA priority bills addressing pass-through entity tax advanced.

Last week the Senate began to work on bills with a sense of normalcy. While there were still some tense moments and pointed exchanges, the Senate worked on several bills on the calendar and was able to pass them. Although none of the bills were very controversial, it was none-the-less progress. The Senate has thus far not been able to get through the normal process on many bills.

The House on the other hand, continues to take up and pass bills in normal course. As has happened in the past few years, there are far more House bills in the Senate than vice versa. Last week, the Senate began assigning many of these House bills to Senate committees, and hearings on some of those bills may begin this week.

MOCPA priority bills benefited from this thaw in the Senate. **HB 1912** was assigned to the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tax Policy, and the same committee voted **SB 1250** out of committee. At this point, the House bill looks to have the best chance of making it to final passage, but anything can happen, and it still has a long way to go.

This is the last week before the Legislature takes it scheduled spring break. Because the Legislature will not be in session next week, we will not send a *Government Advocacy Update* on March 25.

### Legislation of Interest

<u>Click here</u> to view the complete list of high-priority bills MOCPA is currently tracking. The deadline for filing new bills has passed, but bills are regularly amended. The list is updated each week to reflect any changes. Be sure to check the list regularly to look for legislation that may be of interest to you or your clients.

## **For Additional Information**

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