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House of Representatives COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA HARRISBURG

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John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman Independent Regulatory Review Commission 14th Floor, Harristown 2 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Chairman McGinley:

I am writing to inform you that the House Professional Licensure Committee held a meeting on June 6, 2000, and voted to approve Regulation 16A-464 and Regulation 16A-5110. The Committee took no formal action on Regulation 16A-558 and Regulation 16A-579 until final form regulations are promulgated.

In addition, the Committee voted to take no formal action on Regulation 16A-415 until final form regulations are promulgated. However, the Committee notes an apparent error in the Board's statement that the fee increase will be effective for the 1999-2001 biennial period. Renewal fees for that period have already been collected. The new fee could not be collected until the 2001-2003 biennial period.

Please feel free to contact my office if any questions should arise.

Sincerely,

Mário J. Civera, Chairmar

House Professional Licensure Committee

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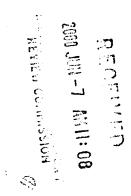
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Regulation 16A-558

State Board of Accountancy

PROPOSAL: Regulation 16A-558 amends 49 PA Code, Chapter 31, regulations of the State Board of Accountancy. The amendment makes revisions to the schedule of Board fees by increasing the fees for certain services provided by the Board, and establishing a fee for reinstatement of inactive or expired license.

The proposed Rulemaking was published in the <u>Pennsylvania Bulletin</u> on May 13, 2000. The Professional Licensure Committee has until July 3, 2000, to submit comments on the regulation.

ANALYSIS: Pursuant to Sec. 3(6) of the CPA Law, 63 P.S. Sec. 9.3(6), the Board is required to meet expenditures through revenues raised by fees, fines and civil penalties. The Board is required to establish fees by regulation and to ensure that revenues derived from fees are adequate to cover the Board's expenditures over a biennial period. The Board states that a recent audit revealed that the current fees charged for certain services were less than the actual costs of providing the services. Accordingly, the Board proposes to amend its schedule of fees as follows:

Application/Service	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Certification and Initial Licensure of		
Certified Public Accountant	\$ 45.00	\$ 65.00
Temporary Practice Permit	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Reinstatement of Inactive or Expired License	\$ 0.00	\$ 35.00
Certification of Examination Scores	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00
Verification of Certification, Registration or		·
Licensure Status	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00

RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that the Professional Licensure Committee take no formal action until final form regulations are promulgated.

House of Representatives Professional Licensure Committee May 13, 2000