

New England CPA Society Government Relations Update



From the Executive Director

I hope this message finds you well.

In an effort to keep you informed on not only [what is happening in our own state](#), but in our region, we have collaborated with our fellow New England states to bring you the latest updates on legislation, regulation, and executive announcements.

If you have any questions or if we can help in any way, as always, please reach out.

Be well,
Bonnie

Connecticut

The state of Connecticut will be pursuing a legislative session in July to take up the issues of absentee ballots and police transparency. Phase two of the reopening of the state commenced on June 17th; if everything goes as planned phase three will begin mid-July. [Read the Connecticut news here.](#)

Massachusetts

Governor Baker signed an interim budget bill on Friday, June 26th funding state government for the month of July as state legislators continue to develop a budget for fiscal year 2021. The Massachusetts Senate passed vote-by-mail legislation in mid-June that provides voters with additional options to vote in the November election. [Read more about Massachusetts here.](#)

Maine

MECPA representatives met with members of Maine Revenue Service and the State's Tax Policy Office to encourage the Governor to convene the legislature to pass legislation to rectify the divergence between Maine's tax code and aspects of the federal code. No action has yet to be taken. [View more information here.](#)

Vermont

In Vermont, lawmakers are expected to reconvene in mid-August for an additional session that is budgeted to last six weeks. During that latter session, the primary focus is expected to again be on revenues and legislative response measures related to COVID-19. Updated revenue forecasts are due in July and those, along with other developments in-state and any in Washington, will help guide development of a FY21 Budget Bill for the remaining three quarters of FY21 and any other related bills. [Read Vermont's summary here.](#)

Rhode Island & New Hampshire

Although not included in this month's update, you can find Rhode Island's advocacy efforts on the [RICPA's website](#) and New Hampshire's advocacy efforts on [their website](#).

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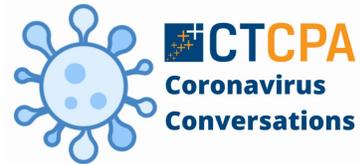
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