

June 20, 2023

The Honorable Debra K. Lesko United States House of Representatives 1214 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Bradley S. Schneider United States House of Representatives 300 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 3708, the Tax Deadline Simplification Act

Dear Congresswoman Lesko and Congressman Schneider:

The American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) commends your efforts to simplify the quarterly installments for estimated income tax payments by individuals. Specifically, we support changing the due dates for the second and third quarter estimated federal income tax payments to have all quarterly payments due 15 days after the end of the quarter.

Currently, quarterly estimated tax payments for individuals (including small business owners) are due April 15, June 15, September 15, and January 15. The spacing between these dates does not tie to normal quarters, which can be confusing to self-employed individuals (and others) and even challenging to compute and timely pay.

Changing the June 15 date to July 15 and the September date to October 15 would consistently schedule the dates to three months apart and tie to the normal quarter date (15 days after the quarter end) making it easier for taxpayers to meet their tax obligations in a timely matter.

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We welcome the opportunity to discuss these comments or to answer any questions that you may have. If you have any questions, please contact; Peter Mills, AICPA Senior Manager – Tax Policy and Advocacy, at (202) 434-9272 or <u>Peter.Mills@aicpa-cima.com</u>; or Lauren Pfingstag, AICPA Director – Congressional and Political Affairs, at (407) 257-0607 or <u>Lauren.Pfingstag@aicpa-cima.com</u>; or me at (830) 372-9692 or <u>Bvickers@alamo-group.com</u>.

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