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Subject: UAA exposure draft on CPA exam window

NASBA Uniform Accountancy Act Committee

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As a currently licensed CPA, I am writing in response to the exposure draft on the Uniform Accountancy Act Model Rule 5-7[[1]](#endnote-1). I strongly agree that expanding the amount of time a candidate has to pass all four parts of the CPA exam is essential. However, the proposed increase is simply not enough. I support and encourage you to consider a minimum window of 36 months for a candidate to pass all four parts of the examination.

Increasing the window to take the exam would not create a risk to the integrity of the license, considering many currently active CPAs had a 36-month window to pass all sections. I believe that increasing the time to pass the exam from 18 months to at least 36 months will help mitigate an unnecessary barrier that, per existing data, is causing between 1,000 and 2,000 CPA candidates each year to discontinue pursuit of the CPA license.

[Optional: Insert your personal experience or example of a colleague who had a challenge with the exam window.]

My organization is seeing an increased workload and shortage of CPAs to accomplish the work. While this is far from the only barrier to entry for current and future CPA candidates, it is a commonsense solution that will in no way put the public at risk or impact interstate mobility. I urge the UAA Committee to quickly revise the CPA Exam window in the exposure draft to be not less than 36 months.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

1. <https://nasba.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/UAA_Rule_5.7_Revised_Draft_FINAL_2.9.23_at_12.07PM_AC.pdf> [↑](#endnote-ref-1)