



In regards to the comments about “behind door meetings with the legislature, to influence the bills outcome;

1. The only meeting we are aware of was in a committee room at the Alabama State House.
 2. The meeting was called by a paid lobbyist representing Impact Alabama.
 3. There were no legislators present.
 4. If it was the intent of the NITPA (National Independent Tax Preparers Association) to defeat the bill the Lobbyist retained on our behalf would not have attended the meeting.
 5. The meeting was to discuss differences in the language of the bill that would be an additional step to provide the very best protection for the taxpayers of Alabama and the thousands of independent business people who provide this service, of which there are over 4,227 registered with the IRS in Alabama.
 6. This 30 page bill was introduced on Feb 3rd, came out of committee and placed on the calendar on the 5th. A substitute bill was introduced on the 12th and passed. It was accepted in the house on the 17th. The only reason there was a 5 day delay was because the house adjourned before the senate on the 12th.
 7. A Thirty Page bill that affects over 4 million people in this state could have potentially passed into law in 16 days, with very little consideration regarding its content rather or not it was good or bad.
 8. We feel like as both Tax Preparers and Tax Payers we have a right to be represented just as any other citizen of Alabama.
- NITPA (National Independent Tax Preparers Association) is an association made up Commercial Tax Preparers, Individual Tax Preparers and interested parties who are concerned about the issues surrounding the industry of Tax Preparation.)

Thank you,
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