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**Letter from John L. Carey, Secretary, American Institute of Accountants, to Members of the AIA Re: Referendum Ballot for an Amendment to the By-laws Approved at the Annual Meeting of the Institute Held at Chicago, Illinois, on October 16, 1934**

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# American Institute of Accountants

135 Cedar Street, New York

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To the Members of the  
American Institute of Accountants:

Gentlemen:

At the annual meeting of the American Institute of Accountants held at Chicago, October 16, 1934, an amendment to the by-laws of the Institute was approved.

According to the provisions of Article XV of the by-laws, amendments before becoming effective shall be submitted for a mail vote to the entire membership of the Institute and when approved in writing by a majority thereof shall be declared by the president to be effective. Mail ballots shall be valid and counted only if received within sixty days after date of mailing ballot forms from the office of the Institute.

In recommending the present change the committee on by-laws reported:

“The committee suggests this amendment in order that there may be no misunderstanding of the Institute’s whole-hearted desire to encourage high standards for the C. P. A. certificate. The Institute has consistently supported the C. P. A. certificate, as is well known to most of its members, and it seems well at this time to leave no possibility of misunderstanding.”

It is earnestly requested that all members qualified to vote prepare their ballots and return them at the earliest possible moment. An addressed envelope, which does not require postage, is enclosed herewith.

JOHN L. CAREY,  
*Secretary.*

October 29, 1934.

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# American Institute of Accountants

## REFERENDUM BALLOT

(*Unsigned ballots will not be counted.*)

October 29, 1934.

In accordance with the provisions of Article XV of the By-laws, mail ballots will be valid and counted only if received by December 28, 1934.

### QUESTION No. 1.

Shall the By-laws, Article I. Section 1, be amended to read as follows (words in italics are added:)

YES	.....
NO	.....

### ARTICLE I.

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the American Institute of Accountants. Its objects shall be to unite the accountancy profession of the United States; to promote and maintain high professional and moral standards; *to assist in the maintenance of high standards for the C. P. A. certificate in the several states;* to safeguard the interests of public accountants; to advance the science of accountancy; to develop and improve accountancy education; to provide for the examination of candidates for membership; and to encourage cordial intercourse among accountants practising in the United States of America.

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Signature of Member

Date.....