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The Honorable Gary Peters  
Chairman  
United States Senate  
Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee  
340 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Rand Paul  
Ranking Member  
United States Senate  
Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee  
340 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

RE: S. 4036, The Government Spending Oversight Act

Dear Chairman Peters and Ranking Member Paul:

On behalf of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) representing state finance officials nationwide, I am writing to express our strong support for S. 4036, the Government Spending Oversight Act of 2024. The Act will carry forward the important work of the Pandemic Response Oversight Committee (PRAC) by creating a new Government Spending Oversight Committee to combat and prevent fraud in government spending. As state financial management leaders, we believe the protection of public resources is of the utmost importance and strongly urge you to pass this important piece of legislation pending before the committee.

NASACT supports the continuation of PRAC and/or the creation of an entity that serves in a similar capacity such as that envisioned by S. 4036. Since its inception, PRAC has played a pivotal role in overseeing and guiding our collective response to the unprecedented challenges posed by the global pandemic.

One of the ways in which PRAC has assured coordination is through monthly "listening posts" which have provided financial leaders at all levels of government an opportunity to exchange vital information and address ongoing challenges regarding COVID and infrastructure related funding issues. We are committed to working with the new committee, if established, to ensure that these important listening posts continue.



Fostering public trust and confidence has never been more important than it is today. The PRAC's ongoing work to promote transparency has contributed to the development of effective strategies used by leaders at all levels of government to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on our communities.

PRAC's Pandemic Center for Excellence (PACE) is just one of the valuable tools established by PRAC to combat fraud by using a data-driven approach to ensure transparency, accountability, and efficiency in the allocation and utilization of resources. These important oversight tools provide sustained attention on federal spending and must continue beyond the PRAC's scheduled sunset date of September 30, 2025.

As we continue to navigate the outcomes of the pandemic, the continued work of the PRAC remains crucial. We urge you to pass this measure out of committee and work toward enactment of this important piece of legislation. Please feel free to contact our representative in Washington, Cornelia Chebinou, at [cchebinou@nasact.org](mailto:cchebinou@nasact.org) or (202) 989-6801.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Greg Griffin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Greg Griffin, State Auditor of Georgia  
NASACT President, 2023-24