

## **NATP Raises Concerns Over Potential Expansion of Access to Taxpayer Data**

The National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP) is closely monitoring reports that the newly established Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) may gain access to sensitive taxpayer data housed within the IRS. As an organization committed to upholding the integrity and security of the tax system, NATP believes taxpayer trust depends on strict data protections and clear legal boundaries.

"Taxpayer confidence in the system relies on strong safeguards that protect personal and financial information," said NATP CEO Scott Artman, CPA, CGMA. "Expanding access to confidential tax records without strong oversight and safeguards risks compromising security and erodes public trust. Any changes must be clear, properly regulated and consistent with the Taxpayer Bill of Rights and the Taxpayer First Act."

NATP urges policymakers to ensure that taxpayer information remains secure and that any modifications to access follow strict guidelines. Unauthorized or unclear access to this data presents significant risks, including potential misuse and breaches that could undermine the integrity of tax administration.

To reinforce these concerns, NATP has formally addressed this issue in a letter to Congress, urging lawmakers to uphold the highest standards of oversight, transparency and regulatory compliance in any proposed changes to data access.

As discussions around DOGE's role continue, NATP will advocate for policies that maintain taxpayer protections while supporting a fair and efficient tax system.

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