



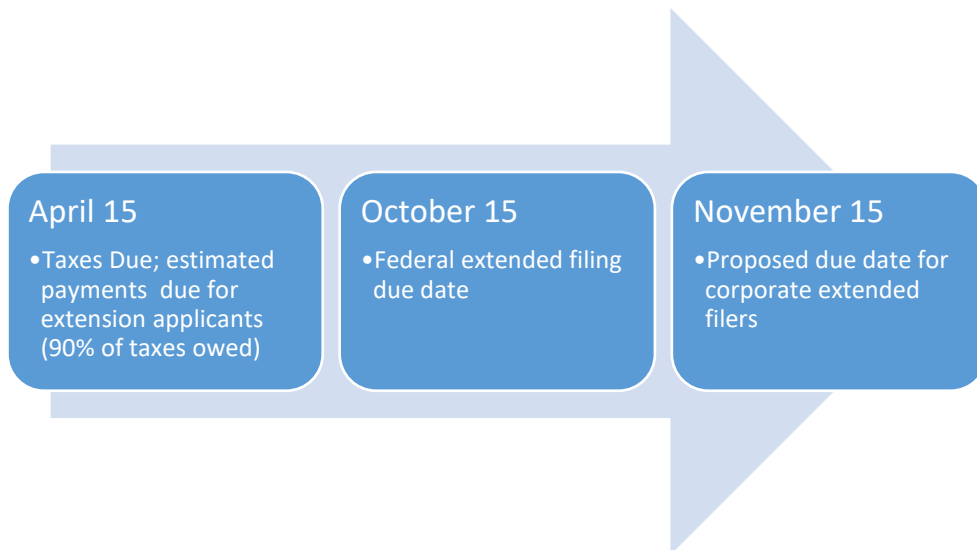
*The taxpayer's watchdog for 80 years*

# ARIZONA TAX RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

## ATRA SUPPORTS HB2354

### *Provide Filers a 1-Month Cushion for Extended Filers*

Before changes were made to federal filings several years ago, corporate filers had one month to process state taxes *after* federal extended filings were due. For nearly all corporate filers, an extension is sought so their filing is not due until six months after the April deadline. Arizona's corporate filing is due on the same day as the extended federal filing, meaning tax departments must complete the federal and all state filings at the exact same time, causing considerable challenges particularly for multi-state filers. Because state income taxes are based on the federal income tax code, the state filing cannot begin until after the federal filing is complete.



HB2354 simply adds one month to the due date for extended corporate state filings, meaning they will be due seven months after the original due date instead of six. This will give corporate filers enough time to file their federal taxes and then finish state taxes with improved fidelity. This will have little to no impact on revenues, because those who apply for an extension must pay 90% of their estimated taxes in April, so the amounts paid after the extensions are rather small and would only be delayed by a maximum of one month and will occur in the same fiscal year. **ATRA encourages lawmakers to vote Yes on HB2354!**