

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF INSURANCE LEGISLATORS
BUSINESS PLANNING & ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION
AND BYLAWS REVISION COMMITTEES
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MINUTES

The National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) Business Planning and Articles of Organization & Bylaws Revision Committees met at the Hilton Nashville Downtown in Nashville, Tennessee, on Friday, November 22, 2013, at 8:15 a.m.

Rep. Greg Wren of Alabama, acting chair of the Articles of Organization & Bylaws Revision Committee, and Rep. Robert Damron of Kentucky, chair of the Business Planning Committee, presided.

Other legislators present were:

Sen. Jason Rapert, AR	Sen. David O'Connell, ND
Sen. Travis Holdman, IN	Sen. Carroll Leavell, NM
Rep. Matt Lehman, IN	Sen. Neil Breslin, NY
Rep. Ron Crimm, KY	Sen. James Seward, NY
Rep. Steve Riggs, KY	Rep. Brian Kennedy, RI
Rep. George Keiser, ND	Rep. Bill Botzow, VT
Sen. Jerry Klein, ND	Rep. Kathleen Keenan, VT

Also in attendance were:

Susan Nolan, Nolan Associates, NCOIL Executive Director
Candace Thorson, Nolan Associates, NCOIL Deputy Executive Director
Jennifer Webb, Nolan Associates, NCOIL Director of Legislative Affairs – DC
Eric Ewing, Nolan Associates, NCOIL Director of Legislative Affairs

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION & BYLAWS REVISION COMMITTEE
AMENDMENT REGARDING NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rep. Kennedy said that under NCOIL bylaws, the Nominating Committee was comprised of five members and that Nominating Committee members historically were the most recent NCOIL past presidents. Due to the restriction on the Committee's size, he said, some past presidents were unable to weigh in on potential candidates for NCOIL leadership. He suggested expanding Committee membership so that more past presidents could join.

Following discussion, Rep. Damron moved to revised Bylaws Section IV(11) so that the Nominating Committee would be comprised of all NCOIL past presidents, with the immediate past president serving as chair. After Sen. Holdman seconded the motion, the Articles of Organization & Bylaws Revision Committee waived the 30-day deadline rule to consider the proposed amendment, and then adopted the amendment via unanimous voice vote.

The meeting then adjourned into the Business Planning Committee meeting.

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Upon a motion made and seconded, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes of its July 12, 2013, meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FUTURE MEETING LOCATIONS

Ms. Nolan reported on future meeting locations and NCOIL staff efforts to investigate potential future sites. She said NCOIL needed to determine locations for the 2015 Spring and 2016 Summer meetings. Legislators discussed items to consider when pursuing locations for those dates, including ease of access when traveling, reasonable rates, interesting locations, and, among other things, an ability to accommodate NCOIL conference needs. Committee members expressed interest in the following possible future sites and, regarding the 2015 Spring Meeting suggestions, asked Ms. Nolan to investigate the proposed locations and report back to the Committee:

- Spring 2015: Charleston, SC; Orlando, FL; or Tampa, FL
- Summer 2016: Big Sky, MT; Colorado Springs, CO; Denver, CO; Portland, ME; or Portland, OR

STATE DUES-PAYING STATUS

Ms. Nolan said that the NCOIL web site indicated contributing-member status by placing an asterisk next to each contributing state's name and that this approach did not distinguish between states that were paying full dues and states that were paying partial. After brief discussion, Committee members suggested using one asterisk per legislative chamber that was contributing to dues payment.

ALTERNATIVES TO MEETING BINDERS

Ms. Nolan said that she was continuing to explore alternatives to using the spiral-bound NCOIL meeting binders, in an effort to reduce production costs and discourage waste. Legislators discussed various options, including posting meeting materials online in advance of an NCOIL conference and encouraging attendees to download the documents and bring them to the meeting and/or providing Wi-Fi in the meeting rooms so attendees could access the online information during committee sessions. Legislators also discussed the possibility of an NCOIL app that would link to meeting documents, issues regarding power sources for electronic devices, and other items. The Committee agreed that registrants should receive hard-copy binders if they prefer. Ms. Nolan said that the meeting registration form might be revised to include a box asking for a registrant's preference.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, legislators adjourned at 9:00 a.m.