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> NOVEMBER 17 –20 Las Vegas, Nevada

NCOIL HAS SUCCESSFUL DC FLY-IN TO EDUCATE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF STATE-BASED REGULATION



More than a half dozen NCOIL legislators traveled to Washington DC and participated in more than 4 dozen meetings on September 7th to educate members about the well-established statebased regulation of insurance in the United States.

Participating members included Rep. Steve Riggs (KY), NCOIL Vice President, Sen. Jason Rapert (AR), NCOIL Secretary, Senator Bob Hackett (OH),

From left to right: Sen. Mike Hall (WV), Asm. William Barclay (NY), Rep. Joe Fischer (KY), Rep. Steve Riggs, (KY), Sen. Bob Hackett (OH), Rep. Marguerite Quinn (PA), and Sen. Jason Rapert (AR).

Assemblyman Will Barclay (NY),

Representative Joe Fischer (KY), Representative Marguerite Quinn (PA), Senator Mike Hall (WV) and NCOIL CEO Tom Considine.

"It is important that Members of Congress understand that state laws, which state regulators ensure, are the underpinning of the sound insurance system in this country" said KY Rep. Steve Riggs, NCOIL Vice President. "Any attempts to weaken our system by international players have awful consequences for American consumers, companies, and state-based regulation of insurance."

State-based insurance regulation, which relies on individual states working together to regulate insurance company solvency and consumer protection, has helped create the most competitive insurance markets in the world. In the past several years a number **Continued on page 2.**

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of federal agencies, including the Federal Reserve and the Treasury, have begun intruding into insurance regulatory issues in ways that Congress did not intend when it adopted

the McCarran-Ferguson Act in 1945 and reaffirmed as recently as passage of the Dodd

Frank Act.

"NCOIL Legislators have worked to affirm that state-based insurance legislation and

regulation has worked for nearly 75 years since the passage of McCarran-Ferguson

Act" said NCOIL CEO and former NJ Banking and Insurance Commissioner Tom Considine.

"State regulators are guided by the laws enacted by state legislators" said AR Senator

Jason Rapert, NCOIL Secretary. "Attempts to make regulation at the federal or international

level harms the work done to ensure solvency and protect consumers in statehouses across this country."

Recently House Financial Services Subcommittee Chairman Blaine Luetkemeyer introduced H.R. 5143, the Transparent Insurance Standards Act of 2016, which passed the House Financial Services Committee in June 2016. H.R. 5143 is similar to Senate bill S. 1086 in reiterating Congressional support for the state-based system and requiring consultation & encouraging consensus between state and federal regulators before entering negotiations with international regulatory authorities. H.R. 5143 also would strengthen the role of the Independent Insurance Expert on the Financial Stability Oversight Council (FSOC).

"We at NCOIL believe it is important for the federal legislative branch to understand while considering H.R. 5143 and S. 1086 the practical implications for the US insurance regulatory system, industry and impact on consumers of federal financial regulators entering into international insurance regulatory agreements without the benefit of those who actually regulate the insurance market here in the US" said Considine. "Members of Congress were receptive to our message and are willing to work with us."



Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer discusses his legislation with NCOIL legislators.



Rep. Steve Riggs (KY), Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (MO), NCOIL CEO Tom Considine

NCOIL Annual Meeting Information

Las Vegas Nevada November 17th – 20th Paris Las Vegas Hotel Las Vegas, Nevada

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, November 17, 2016		
Welcome Breakfast	8:30	11:00
Property & Casualty Committee	11:00	12:30
Networking/Lunch on own	12:30	1:00
Financial Services & Investments Committee	1:00	2:30
Innovation General Session	2:30	4:30
Networking Break	4:30	4:45
NCOIL -NAIC Dialogue	4:45	5:45
CIP* Founders Reception	5:45	6:30
NCOIL Welcome Reception	6:30	7:30

*Corporate and Institutional Partners Program

Friday, November 18, 2016		
International Issues & State & Federal Relations Com- mittees	9:15	10:30
Networking Break	10:30	10:45
Health General Session - Drug Prices	10:45	12:45
Luncheon w Keynote Speaker	12:45	2:45
Life Insurance & Financial Planning Committee	3:00	4:30
IEC Board Meeting	5:30	6:30
Saturday November 19, 2016		
The Griffith Foundation Legislator Breakfast	9:00	10:15
Workers Compensation Committee	10:15	11:45
Marijuana & Financial Services General Session	11:45	1:45
Health, LTC & Retirement Committee	1:45	3:00
Sunday, November 20, 2016		
Budget Committee	8:30	9:00
Business Planning	9:00	10:00
Executive Committee	10:00	11:30

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