NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF INSURANCE LEGISLATORS ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION & BYLAWS REVISION COMMITTEE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON JULY 20, 2007 MINUTES

The National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) Articles of Organization & Bylaws Revision Committee met at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel & Towers in Seattle, Washington, on Friday, July 20, 2007, at 8:00 a.m.

Assem. Nancy Calhoun of New York, chair of the Committee, presided.

Other members of the Committee present were: Rep. George Keiser, ND Rep. Robert Godshall, PA

Other legislators present were:

Rep. Robert Damron, KY Sen. Delores Kelley, MD Rep. Brian Kennedy, RI Rep. Charles Curtiss, TN

Also in attendance were:

Susan Nolan, Nolan Associates, NCOIL Executive Director Candace Thorson, NCOIL Deputy Executive Director Mike Humphreys, NCOIL Director of Legislative Affairs & Education, Life, Health, and Workers' Compensation Insurance

MINUTES

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of its March 2, 2007, meeting in Savannah, Georgia.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Committee discussed language in the Articles of Organization that limits the number of legislators from a state who may sit on the Executive Committee. The Bylaws Committee identified, among other things, the importance of allowing a state insurance committee chair to vote as Executive Committee members at his or her first NCOIL meeting, as well as the need for participation by chairs of standing NCOIL committees. Legislators noted that current provisions allow a state to have five (5) members, not including a current NCOIL president, past presidents, state insurance committee chairs, or chairs of standing NCOIL committees.

Following debate, the Committee voted to:

- revise Articles of Organization Section V(B) to allow a state to have four (4) representatives on the Executive Committee, not including a current NCOIL president, past president, state insurance committee chair, or chair of NCOIL standing committee
- revise Articles of Organization Section V(B) to delete an unnecessary reference to Committee chairs who are still state legislators being voting, ex-officio members of the Executive Committee

Legislators then discussed a discrepancy between the voting rights state insurance committee chairs on standing NCOIL committees, as opposed to on the Executive Committee. Legislators determined to:

• add a subsection to Bylaws Section IV that allows an insurance committee chair of a member state, who is attending his or her first NCOIL conference, to vote during meetings of standing committees that he or she has joined

TITLES OF NCOIL OFFICERS

Rep. Damron suggested changing the titles of NCOIL officers to better reflect their obligations. In particular, he expressed concern regarding the "NCOIL Executive Committee Chair" title. Following discussion, legislators voted to revise the titles as indicated, and to do so following the 2007 NCOIL Annual Meeting:

President	(same)
Vice President	President-Elect
Secretary	Vice President
Treasurer	Secretary
Executive Committee Chair	Treasurer

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

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