

Management-Labor Advisory Committee

The committee, originally known as the “Mahonia Hall Group,” was created informally by Governor Goldschmidt to draft the 1990 workers’ compensation reforms. It was then put into statute in SB 1197 as a fourteen member committee to advise the director and the legislature on matters concerning workers’ compensation. The committee was reduced to ten members in SB 369 passed during the 1995 legislative session. The members, appointed by the Governor, include five labor and five management representatives.

The Management-Labor Advisory Committee provides a forum for business and labor to come together to explore and resolve issues involving workers’ compensation—a system intended to benefit these two parties. This committee is charged by law with studying the workers’ compensation system in areas such as decisions of the courts which have a significant impact, the adequacy of benefits, medical and legal costs, the adequacy of assessments paid into the department’s reserve programs, and the operation of programs funded by the Workers’ Benefit Fund. The committee also reviews the standards regarding evaluation of permanent disability and advises the department on proposed changes in programs.

For more information, or for checking the most current meeting schedule, visit their Web site at www.cbs.state.or.us/mlac

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