

What I learned at the National Conference of Insurance Legislators



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Hi Steve,

I wanted to share an update from my weekend at the National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) in Nashville. It was a valuable experience, allowing me to engage with legislators from around the country, other states' Insurance Commissioners (some elected, some appointed), and policymakers from multiple perspectives. Together, we delved into a wide array of insurance issues that impact people in every state — storm damage mitigation, worker's comp options for gig workers, prescription drug cost transparency, mental health parity, the global reinsurance market, catalytic converter theft, the cost of weight loss drugs, the regulation of constantly-shifting industries like Airbnb, third party litigation financing, and more.



The complexities of insurance were evident — I came home with a 351 page binder of proposals! One of the main roles of NCOIL is to use the group's collective resources to craft model legislation for states to use when addressing insurance-related issues. As the landscape changes, it's clear that solutions are not simple. The competing incentives within the insurance industry are often not beneficial to policyholders and patients — exactly the people we aim to protect. Rising drug costs, increased costs to repair homes and autos, insurance companies' profits, and the financial pressures from climate change are making insurance less accessible and more expensive.

Throughout the weekend, I thought about a concerning pattern with my opponent, who was notably absent. North Carolina's elected Commissioner of Insurance skips these national meetings, which are pivotal for shaping effective insurance policy. His absence is part of a larger pattern: Mike Causey often neglects his duty to be the people's elected advocate and a leader in the national insurance dialogue. He takes a more passive approach, allowing others to lead. He seems to be focused instead on campaigning to keep his job, taking unnecessary trips to New Mexico at the state's expense, and appointing friends to "no-show" positions in the Department of Insurance.

We need an Insurance Commissioner who is ready to lead, who will be part of the national conversation on important insurance policy, and who works for the people, not the insurance companies. Do you agree?

This election presents a clear choice. Unlike Causey, I am committed to active and informed leadership. I engage directly with the challenges and changes the insurance landscape requires. I'm ready to lead, serve, and support every North Carolinian from day one.

Attending these important meetings means time away from campaigning and fundraising. As we push towards our April goals, I need your support to make up the gap in our fundraising numbers from my time away. Can you help with a donation today? Every bit helps us ensure that our campaign can continue fighting for a fair and transparent insurance system.

Yes, I will help Natasha defeat Mike Causey!

Thank you for your support and for standing with me as we strive to bring about change.

Yours in service,



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