

# Arkansas Insurance Department NEWS RELEASE

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## Kerr Named Vice-Chair of Two National Task Forces

*Kerr: Looking forward to sharing state's 'positive experiences'*

**LITTLE ROCK** – Arkansas Insurance Commissioner Allen Kerr today released the following statement regarding his selection as Vice-Chairman of the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's (NAIC) Workers' Compensation and Examination Oversight Task Forces:

"It is an honor to be selected by my fellow commissioners in NAIC's leadership to be Vice-Chairman on these two important task forces. In representing a state that saw a 4.3% decrease in workers' compensation rates in 2016 and heading a Department that received a perfect accreditation score for financial examinations, I am looking forward to sharing Arkansas's positive experiences with both of these groups."

### **About the Workers' Compensation (C) Task Force**

The mission of the Workers' Compensation (C) Task Force is to study the nature and effectiveness of state approaches to workers' compensation and related issues, including, but not limited to: assigned risk plans; safety in the workplace; treatment of investment income in rating; occupational disease; cost containment; and the relevance of adopted NAIC model laws, regulations and/or guidelines pertaining to workers' compensation.

### **About the Examination Oversight (E) Task Force**

The mission of the Examination Oversight (E) Task Force is to monitor, develop and implement tools for the risk-focused surveillance process. For financial examinations and analysis, this includes maintenance of the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* and the *Financial Analysis Handbook* to provide guidance to examiners and analysts utilizing a risk-focused approach to solvency regulation and to encourage effective communication and coordination between examiners, analysts and other regulators

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