



May 12, 2025

MLAC Subcommittee on Average Weekly Wage

The co-chairs of MLAC appoint the following members to the Subcommittee on average weekly wage:

> Stacy Lewallen, management Scott Strickland, labor

Charge to the subcommittee

The subcommittee is charged with resuming the discussion on average weekly wage for low-income workers issues within the Oregon workers' compensation system, including the proposals in SB705 (2025), as was agreed when the full committee recommended to create the subcommittee at the May 1, 2025 meeting.

The first subcommittee meeting will be held on Friday, May 23rd at 10:30am. The meeting will be virtual, however in-person meeting is available at the Labor & Industries Building, Conference Room 260, 350 Winter Street NE, Salem, Oregon.

During the initial meeting, key dates and deadlines will be established and reported back the MLAC members at the June 5th full committee meeting.

Additional subcommittee meeting dates will be determined.

Other guidance

Subcommittee meetings will have agendas issued in accordance with Oregon Public Meetings Law. Meetings will be held virtually with an in-person option available for members and the public.

Members

Lorne Bulling IronWorkers Local 29

Sara Duckwall **Duckwall Fruit**

Ryan Hearn Roseburg Forest Products

Stacy Lewallen Fortis Construction, Inc.

Sarah Merrick City of Salem. Fire Department

Patrick Priest Citycounty Insurance Services Management co-chair

Emily Rivas Oregon Nurses Association

Kim Schlessinger Samaritan Health Services

Scott Strickland Sheet Metal Workers Local #16 Labor co-chair

Margaret Weddell Labor representative

Andrew Stolfi Director, Oregon Department of Consumer & Business Services. Ex-Officio

Committee administration

Teri Watson Committee Administrator

Baaba Ampah Committee Assistant Subcommittee agendas, meeting notes, audio recordings, and other materials will be posted on the MLAC website.

The scope of subcommittee recommendations should be limited to solutions that can be achieved within the workers' compensation system. This could include proposed law changes to ORS chapter 656, administrative rules, or other processes managed by the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

Subcommittee recommendations require support of both appointed MLAC members. If consensus is not possible, the final report to the full committee should include a summary of the varying viewpoints.

Thank you for your time and attention to these matters. We look forward to your reports.

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