



LEADERSHIP COUNCIL FORUM



Georgia Leadership Council Forum Follow Up Summary

On January 24, NAPEO hosted the Georgia Leadership Council Forum meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. Michael Memberg, an attorney with Hall Booth Smith, P.C., provided attendees with an update on state and national workers' compensation issues, including recent trends and case law and the impact of recent OSHA actions on the workers' compensation system. To view Mr. Memberg's presentation, please click [here](#).

NAPEO's General Counsel, Farrah Fielder, provided a comprehensive update on NAPEO's work on IRS PEO Certification while discussing NAPEO's federal government affairs' initiatives and a variety of legal developments affecting the PEO industry.

An overview of current Georgia political issues and a discussion of recent legislative developments impacting PEOs was provided by John Walraven, NAPEO's Georgia lobbyist. Mr. Walraven informed attendees of NAPEO's work and progress on draft legislation that would require licensure of a representative of a PEO who engages in counseling, advising or rendering opinions as to the benefits promised under a contract of insurance. Since last year, NAPEO has worked with the Chairman of the House Insurance Committee and other policymakers in an effort to provide alternatives to the language. The Chairman intends to introduce a bill and refer the bill to a review board that will likely prevent any further activity on the bill. Mr. Walraven also discussed NAPEO's plans to introduce its Model Act – pursuant to the 2017 NAPEO State Action Plan – and the work NAPEO and its members have done to enact the Model Act in Georgia.

During the networking lunch, attendees heard from Representative Chuck Martin (R – District 49), who will be the House sponsor for the NAPEO Model Act, who shared his thoughts on the current legislative session.

For more information about the LCF or NAPEO's legislative efforts in Georgia, please contact [Farrah Fielder](#) or [Daniel Harris](#).

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