



Oregon House Committee on Business and Labor  
Oregon State Legislature

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*Sent via electronic submission*

**Re: HB 2039, Maintaining Workers' Compensation Claims Records at a Location Outside of State – NAMIC's, NWIC's and APCA's Written Testimony in Support**

Dear Representative Holvey, Chair; Representative Bonham, Vice-Chair; Representative Grayber, Vice-Chair and honorable committee members:

The National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies (NAMIC), the Northwest Insurance Council (NWIC) and the American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA) appreciate the opportunity to submit written testimony to the House Committee on Business and Labor for the January 27, 2021 public hearing on the above captioned legislation.

NAMIC, NWIC and APCA (hereinafter "the trades") support HB 2039 as a reasonable and appropriate bill designed to promote business and regulatory efficiency. In today's world of remote working, individuals, businesses and state agencies have become most adept at transacting business electronically from various locations within and outside of the state of Oregon. Insurers are committed to being prudent cost-containment business enterprises that seek to streamline and economize the storage of claims documents for the benefit of insurance consumers. Consequently, it makes sense for national and regional insurers to retain their claims records in centralized locations.

The trades support HB 2039, because it reflects the business realities and technological capabilities of the modern age, which allows interested parties to conveniently, effectively, and cost-efficiently access and review documents that are stored in various locations. The trades respectfully request that you **VOTE YES on HB 2039**.

Respectfully submitted,

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