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Legislative Update

We're nearing the end of the 2009 legislative year, and we currently have 126 enactments and 261 introductions. In 1999, our all-time best legislative year, we recorded 130 enactments, so we are very close to historic numbers this year. We may not surpass 130 enactments before we close the books on September 30, but even so, 2009 will go down as one of the best years ever.

New Members

There are numerous new appointments to the ULC to report. In Oklahoma, Rep. John Trebilcock, a state representative from Tulsa County, has been appointed commissioner. Robert Butkin, an attorney in Bixby, replaces Leo Whinery.

In Illinois, our newest member is Senator A.J. Wilhelmi, a state senator from Joliet. Sen. Wilhelmi replaces Randal Picker.

In New Mexico, there are three new appointments. Senator William H. Payne is a state senator from Alburquerque; Rep. Zachary J. Cook is a state representative from Ruidoso; and Daniel Ivey-Soto is an attorney in Albuquerque.

In South Dakota, Senator Nancy Turbak Berry has been appointed, replacing Dave Knudson. Sen. Berry is a state senator from Watertown.

Arkansas has three new commissioners. Elisa White is a general counsel with the Arkansas Hospital Association, and replaces David Nixon. John Stroud is an attorney in Texarkana, and is a former President of the Arkansas Bar Association, and replaces James Pender. Lynn Foster is a law professor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

In Louisiana, Jerry Guillot has been appointed a full commissioner, replacing Henry Gabriel who is now a North Carolina commissioner.

In Utah, Lorie Fowlke has been appointed commissioner, replacing Greg Curtis. Ms. Fowlke is an attorney in Orem.

In Montana, Michael Wheat, an attorney in Bozeman, has been appointed commissioner.

In Indiana, William Barrett, an attorney in Greenwood, has been appointed commissioner.

Upcoming Meetings

- **September 10-13, 2009, Chicago, Illinois**
Committee on Style

Member News

Jorge Sanchez Cordero, General Director of the Mexican Center for Uniform Laws and an Advisory Member of the ULC, was recently awarded the "National Prize for Journalism 2008" for his articles on the protection of Mexican Cultural Heritage. The prize is given in honour of Jose Pages Llergo, a famous and influential Mexican journalist.