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## Labor Commissioner Gardner Elected President of the National Association of Government Labor Officials (NAGLO)

Oregon Labor Commissioner Dan Gardner has been elected the new president of the National Association of Government Labor Officials (NAGLO) by his peers at the group's annual convention held earlier this month in Savannah, Georgia.

NAGLO (<u>http://www.naglo.org/index.htm</u>) is a professional association consisting of the chief official in each state and territory of the United States responsible for overseeing the laws that protect and serve working men and women throughout the nation. It was founded more than 80 years ago and is an affiliate of the Council of State Governments.

"It is indeed an honor and a privilege to be recognized by my peers across the nation," said Gardner, who was first elected as the commissioner of Oregon's Bureau of Labor and Industries in 2002.

Gardner will serve as NAGLO's president until its annual convention next summer. Gardner hosted the annual meeting in Portland in 2006.

"I look forward to working with my colleagues across the nation to explore strategies for improving conditions for workers without harming economic development," said Gardner. "While Oregon has often taken the lead in breaking new ground when it comes to laws governing the workplace, I always look forward to gathering ideas from other government labor leaders."