



**Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007**  
**Committee Statement**  
**LB 472**

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**Hearing Date:** January 29, 2007  
**Committee On:** Business and Labor

**Introducer(s):** (Chambers, 11)  
**Title:** Change statutory references to members of the Commission of Industrial Relations

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**Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:**

- X Advanced to General File
  - Advanced to General File with Amendments
  - Indefinitely Postponed
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**Vote Results:**

6	Yes	Senators Cornett, Chambers, Lathrop, McGill, Rogert, Wallman
1	No	Senator White
	Present, not voting	
	Absent	

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Chambers

**Representing:**  
Introducer

**Opponents:**  
Jeffrey Orr  
Mark McGuire

**Representing:**  
Court of Industrial Relations  
NSEA

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:** This bill strikes all statutory references to the Commission of Industrial Relations “judge” or “judges” and inserts “commissioner” or “commissioners”.

The presiding “judge” would be referred to as the presiding “officer”.

Technical Details:

*Section 1:* Definitional section; amends § 48-801 to insert “Commissioner shall mean a member of the commission;”

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*Section 2:* amends §48-804 to strike the language which staggered the terms of the first three appointed judges to the commission in 1947; strikes the language which staggered the terms of the two additional judges appointed in 1969;

The above stricken language makes no change to the practice of appointing judges to 6 year terms, but merely deletes historical language regarding how the initial judges were appointed to staggered terms.

Amends subsection (4) to strike “Commission of Industrial Relations” and inserts “Commission”; strikes “the provisions of”.

*Sections 3-8:* strikes all references to “judge” and inserts “commissioner” or “officer” when referring to the presiding “judge”; other minor technical changes.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

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**Senator Abbie Cornett, Chairperson**