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Attn: Membership Services

Safety

- Reviews legislation impacting safety in the workplace
- Coordinates with the BCA staff on current OSHA regulations
- Sponsors BCA Safety Conference each year
- Provides necessary support for safety programs which help BCA members maintain a safe workplace and reduce workplace injuries
- Sponsors the Annual BCA Safety Awards Luncheon which recognizes companies with improved safety records

Judiciary

- Analyzes all legislation impacting the court/tort system of Alabama
- Serves as a resource to other BCA members on legal matters
- Coordinates with the Alabama Civil Justice Reform Committee, Alabama Voters Against Lawsuit Abuse and other interested groups committed to the reform of the civil judicial system
- Makes recommendations on key issues and cases which require BCA participation in *amicus curiae* briefs before state and federal Appellate Courts

Small Business

- Provides input to other BCA committees on the impact of legislative initiatives on small employers
- Sponsors a series of issue-oriented seminars for small business in Alabama
- Encourages involvement in BCA by small businesses in Alabama and coordinates activities with local chambers of commerce

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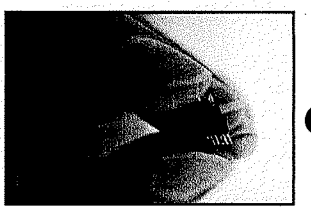
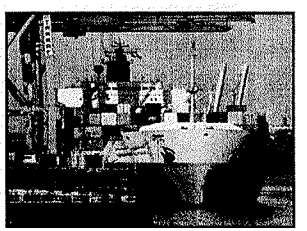
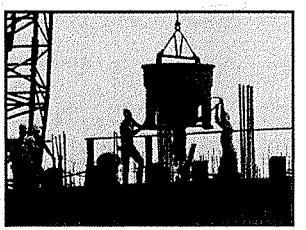

Alabama's success is our business. Take action on a Business Council committee.

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Join a Business Council Committee

...and be a part of the process in developing BCA's annual legislative agenda. The Business Council of Alabama has nine standing committees and one select committee. Many employees of member companies volunteer to serve on BCA committees. These individuals place a priority on analyzing issues that affect business and assist the BCA staff in presenting the facts to our elected public officials.

The committees explore and review laws and regulations affecting taxes, education, environmental programs, safety and health regulations, industrial relations, workers' and unemployment compensation, energy, health care cost containment, small business affairs, and judicial cases. Each committee provides excellent opportunities to exchange information and coordinate efforts.

Your participation, influence and expertise adds strength to the voice of business.

Help us help you!

Serious problems facing Alabama employers are taxes, employee benefits, industrial relations, environmental resources and healthcare cost containment. Standing committees in each of these areas, and others, are listed in this brochure.

The victories in legislative sessions and elections have demonstrated what a united business front, directed by the Business Council's lobbying and public affairs efforts, can do.

Successes in some areas should not lead to complacency. Support and involvement by business and industry leaders through the Business Council of Alabama can help protect our past accomplishments and solidify the future of Alabama's business climate.

Governmental Affairs

- Coordinates volunteer lobbying activity on the state level
- Meets weekly during legislative sessions
- Sponsors Governmental Affairs Conference each August

Federal Affairs

- Coordinates volunteer lobbying activity on the federal level
- Analyzes federal legislation as it pertains to Alabama businesses
- Sponsors annual Congressional Luncheons with members of the Alabama delegation

Tax and Fiscal Policy

- Reviews all tax legislation and related budgetary matters
- Provides a resource for BCA members on key tax issues
- Coordinates tax enforcement measures with the Department of Revenue
- Sponsors a tax seminar for BCA members each fall

Environmental Resources and Energy

- Reviews all legislative initiatives on environment and energy
- Assists BCA members on environmental compliance with ADEM and EPA
- Works with ADEM to develop legislation to foster environmental compliance and protection while minimizing negative economic impact
- Assists ADEM whenever possible to attain the state's environmental goals and objectives
- Sponsors BCA Environmental Conference each spring

Human Resources

- Analyzes all legislation impacting human resources including unemployment compensation, mandated benefits, healthcare cost containment and overall healthcare reform

Workers' Compensation

- Reviews all legislation impacting the workers' compensation system of Alabama
- Coordinates BCA member activity with the Department of Industrial Relations to develop a more efficient and cost effective workers' compensation system

Please see reverse for additional committees

To take action on a BCA committee, complete and return the form below.

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