In accordance with Labor Code Sections 1173, 1178 and 1178.5, the Industrial Welfare Commission (IWC) held a public meeting on Friday, June 2, 2006, in Sacramento at the Cal/EPA Building, Byron Sher Auditorium, to consider petitions requesting that the IWC conduct a review to raise the minimum wage. A transcript of the hearing has been prepared and is available for review.

Chairman Daniel Curtin opened the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Commissioners Tim Cremins, Leslee Guardino, Harold Rose, and Willie Washington were present. The IWC staff was also present.

After listening to public comment, Commissioner Cremins moved to set the issue of the adequacy of the current minimum wage for public hearing and to accept nominations for a wage board. Commissioner Rose seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The following individuals presented testimony:

1. Art Pulaski, California Labor Federation
3. Julianne Broyles, California Chamber of Commerce
4. Billie Ann Jones, ACORN
5. Fannie Brown, ACORN
6. Nan Brasmer, California Alliance for Retired Americans
7. Parke Terry, California Landscape Contractors Association
8. Peter Pursley, Applied Research Center
9. Lara Diaz Dunbar, California Restaurant Association
10. Jim Abrams, California Hotel and Lodging Association
11. Jason Schmelzer, California Manufacturers and Technology Assn.
12. Michael Lyon, California Alliance for Retired Americans, Gray Panthers
14. Lee Sandahl, International Longshore and Warehouse Union
15. Chris Walker, Automotive Repair Coalition of California
16. Mark Schacht, California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation
17. Roy Gabriel, California Farm Bureau Federation
18. Carolyn Negrete, California Farm Bureau Federation
19. Jovan Agee, United Domestic Workers of America
20. Carrie Young
21. Josefa Mercado, SEIU as interpreted by Andrew Gross Gaitan, SEIU
22. Victor Guzman
23. Favien Fields, ACORN
24. Tom Rankin, California Alliance for Retired Americans

After the IWC determined that no one present wished to give further testimony, Chairman Curtin recessed the meeting for a closed session regarding pending litigation. The meeting was reconvened and it was agreed by common consent to adjourn the public meeting at 11:47 a.m. Commissioner Guardino moved to adjourn. Commissioner Cremins seconded. The motion was unanimously passed.