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NOTICE

TO: Education Providers and Other Interested Parties

DATE: November 23, 2010

SUBJECT: Updated Property and Casualty Educational Objectives

Background

Assembly Bill (AB) 2782 (Chapter 400, Statutes of 2010) will become effective on January 1, 2011. This bill made several changes to the California Insurance Code (CIC) to bring California closer to uniformity with other states' insurance producer licensing laws. The bill allows for the issuance of separate property broker-agent and casualty broker-agent licenses in addition to continuing to issue the combined property and casualty broker-agent license. To accommodate this change, the previous Fire and Casualty Broker-Agent prelicensing Educational Objectives (EOs) were divided into separate Property Broker-Agent and Casualty Broker-Agent EOs.

The revised EOs are available on the California Department of Insurance's (CDI) Web site at the following link: http://www.insurance.ca.gov/0200-industry/0030-seek-pre-lic/0100-requirements/prelicensing-educational-objectivies.cfm

The revised EOs will take effect on January 1, 2011 and the license examinations will also be updated to reflect these changes. Prelicensing education providers' will need to revise their prelicensing courses to match Property Broker-Agent and Casualty Broker-Agent EOs at the time their prelicensing course is renewed. To prepare students for the January 1, 2011 launch of the updated license examinations, the prelicensing course instructors must begin teaching from the revised educational objectives as soon as possible.

From a practical standpoint, other than splitting the content into two separate EOs, the only material content change made to the current Fire and Casualty Broker-Agent EOs was to remove any reference to accident and health insurance. The removal of accident and health insurance was made to reflect another change resulting from AB 2782, which was to remove the authority for Fire and Casualty Broker-Agents to transact accident and health insurance unless they also hold an Accident and Health Agent license.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice, you may contact CDI's Education Section at (916) 492-3064.