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### ***ALERT***

#### **Producer Licensing Compliance Deadline for all Insurance Agents Licensed in South Carolina is May 1, 2010**

Columbia - May 1, 2010 is the deadline for agents licensed in South Carolina to complete their first-ever producer license renewal process and become compliant with their ongoing continuing education requirements. These compliance requirements include the completion of 24 hours of CE, pay the \$15 CE recordkeeping fee to Prometric, and complete the online producer license renewal process which includes a \$25.00 license renewal fee. "These important changes which affect all licensed insurance agents in South Carolina were approved in 2009," said Scott Richardson, Director of Insurance.

Three-hour seminars outlining these changes as well as legislative changes in broker license requirements, sharing of commissions and company appointment procedures are being offered. "We have hosted five seminars throughout the state over the past two months and will be holding two additional seminars, Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> in Myrtle Beach and Florence, respectively," said Director Richardson. "These seminars provide a unique opportunity to earn three hours of CE credit while learning about these important changes and how they will impact insurance agents licensed in South Carolina."

The seminars are sponsored by the Department of Insurance and the following organizations: Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of South Carolina (IIABSC), National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors – South Carolina Chapter (NAIFA – South Carolina), Professional Insurance Agents of South Carolina (PIA of SC), South Carolina Association of Auto Insurance Agents (SCAAIA), and the South Carolina Association of Health Underwriters (SCAHU). Seminars have been held thus far in Greenville, Rock Hill, Columbia, Hilton Head and Charleston.

Upcoming sessions will be held on the following dates:

**March 9, 2010: Myrtle Beach**  
**Horry-Georgetown Tech, Grand Strand**  
**Campus**  
**950 Meyers Avenue, Bldg. 600**  
**843-477-2042**

**March 10, 2010: Florence**  
**Hilton Garden Inn**  
**2671 Hospitality Boulevard**  
**843-432-3010**

*Seminars are approved for 3 hours of credit, countable as P&C or LA&H CE Credit.  
Registration information is available at [www.doi.sc.gov/licensing/ce/](http://www.doi.sc.gov/licensing/ce/).*

Failure to comply with all license renewal requirements by May 1, 2010 will cause a producer's license to lapse. All appointments and other licenses tied to the producer license will also lapse.

For additional information about these seminars and producer license renewal requirements, please visit the Department's website, [www.doi.sc.gov](http://www.doi.sc.gov), or call (803) 737-6095.

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