

BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

STATE OF GEORGIA

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT RULE CHANGES AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. Sections 50-13-3, 50-13-4, 50-13-6, 50-13-21, and, 33-2-9 of the following proposals by the Commissioner of Insurance to amend the Rules and Regulations of the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

The Rules and Regulations of the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance are proposed to be amended by the following actions:

- Amending Regulation 120-2-3-.09 entitled "Examinations"
- Amending Regulation 120-2-3-.15 entitled "Resident Continuing Education Requirements"
- Amending Regulation 120-2-3-.19 entitled "Exemptions or Reductions in Requirements for Continuing Education"

SYNOPSIS AND EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

The proposed amendments to Regulation Chapter 120-2-3 would add Registered Employee Benefits Consultant (REBC) to the list of professional designations that exempt the designee from having to take the counselor examination. Additionally, the proposed amendments would reduce from thirty (30) to twenty four (24) the number of continuing education hours required of resident agent licensees who have held their licenses for less than 20 years. The proposed amendments are consistent with NAIC Uniform Resident Licensing Standards. The full texts of the proposed amendments entitled "Examinations," "Resident Continuing Education Requirements" and "Exemptions or Reductions in Requirements for Continuing Education" are attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

SCHEDULE

The aforesaid proposals, which are being forwarded to the Attorney General for approval as to legality pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 33-2-9, are now on file in the Administrative Procedure Division of the Office of Commissioner of Insurance, 1016 West Tower, Floyd Building, Two Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, and are hereby declared to be a public record as follows:

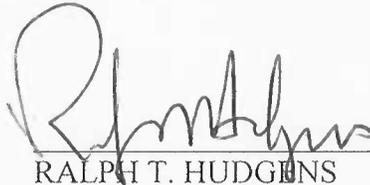
Interested persons may participate in the proposed rulemaking process by submitting their written comments to **Vince Wiegand, Administrative Procedure Division, Office of Commissioner of Insurance, 1016 West Tower, Floyd Building, Two Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334**. All comments must be received by the Administrative Procedure Division by 4:30 p.m. on April 4, 2014. Interested persons may also participate in

the proposed rulemaking by submitting oral comments at the hearing to commence on **April 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Office of Commissioner of Insurance, Seventh Floor, West Tower, Floyd Building, Two Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.**

Oral presentations at the hearing may be limited to five (5) minutes per person in order to afford all interested persons an opportunity to be heard. If you have a physical impairment and require assistance or have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Administrative Procedure Division.

Based upon full consideration of all written and oral comments regarding the above matters, the Commissioner of Insurance may reject or adopt the proposed rules or may make changes to the proposed rules which may require another rulemaking hearing.

Given under my Hand and Official Seal this 26th day of February, 2014.



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