TO: CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) PROVIDERS FOR INSURANCE COURSEWORK

RE: STATUORY UPDATES TO CE REQUIREMENTS

Continuing education (CE) requirements for licensed Kansas insurance producers will change due to the passage of Senate Bill 37. These changes and their effective dates are outlined below.

Effective **July 1, 2021**:

Vicki Schmidt, Commissioner ___

- Resident producer self-study type continuing education courses will no longer require a proctor for the exam portion.
- Both <u>resident</u> and <u>nonresident</u> producer license biennial renewal dates will change from their birthday to the last day of their birth month, in an even or odd year, depending on whether the producer was born in an even or odd year.

Effective January 1, 2022:

For resident producers who hold a line of authority for a <u>major line(s)</u> (Life and/or Health, Property and/or Casualty, Personal Lines) continuing education hours for the biennial renewal period will change to a total of <u>18 hours</u> with at least <u>three</u> of those hours in ethics. The remaining 15 hours are at the producer's discretion, so long as the hours are approved by the Department. There is no longer a limit for the number of hours of "Insurance Agency Management" (IAM) CE courses than an agent may take.

Examples:

- Producers that hold both major lines of authority (ex. life/health and property/casualty): **18 total hours** (3 must be ethics).
- Producers that hold a single line of authority (ex. just life or just personal lines, etc.): 18 total hours (3 must be ethics).
- Resident producers who hold only a limited line license for **crop** are required to have **two hours of crop insurance CE.**
- Resident producers who hold only a limited line license for <u>title</u> will need four hours of <u>title insurance CE</u>.

- Resident producers who hold a <u>pre-need only</u> license do not have a continuing education requirement. However, such producers will need to affirm and provide certification from an officer of each insurance company that has appointed the producer that shows you have transacted no other insurance business during your renewal period.
- The following resident producers do not have any continuing education requirement for renewal:
 - Those who hold only a limited line **bail bond license**.
 - Those who hold only a limited line **self-service storage license**.
 - Those who hold only a limited line **travel license**.
- Resident producers will begin to renew their licenses through NIPR (www.nipr.com). All resident producers, regardless of lines of authority, are required to pay a \$4.00 biennial license renewal fee which will be collected by NIPR at their first biennial renewal date following January 1, 2022.

Please contact the Kansas Insurance Department Producer Licensing Division at 785-296-7862 or <u>KID.Licensing@ks.gov</u> if you have any further questions regarding these changes. You can also check for updated information, including FAQs on these changes, at the Department's website at https://insurance.kansas.gov/producer-licensing/.

Sincerely,

Producer Licensing