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Chapter 6

Prelicensing Education

Prelicensing education is required in some states as a condition of licensure for resident insurance producers. Neither the *Producer Licensing Model Act* (#218) nor the Uniform Licensing Standards (ULS) suggests that arequire states must to have establish a requirement for prelicensing education. States that have a prelicensing education requirement should follow the uniform standards as adopted by the Producer Licensing (EX) Working Group Producer Licensing (D) Task Force.

The ULS set a minimum credit hour requirement for prelicensing education. In 2010<u>The</u>, the Working Group<u>Task Force</u> was charged with reviewing this standard. Updated information, if there are any cC hanges to this standard, can be found on the Working Group<u>Task Force</u>'s web page.

States that require prelicensing education shall require 20 credit hours of prelicensing education per major line of authority. The states must accept both classroom study and verifiable self-study, which includes both text and online courses. The ULS does not have a limit on the number of credits that can be obtained by self-study. The states shall independently determine the content requirements for prelicensing education. The ULS require that a state have establish a method to of verifying completion of prelicensing education, but no method is endorsed in the ULS. they do not prescribe a method.

The ULS provide that a person who has completed a college degree in insurance shall be granted a waiver from all prelicensing education requirements. The ULS also provide that individuals holding certain professional designations approved by the <u>state</u> insurance department <u>should_shall</u> be granted a waiver from the prelicensing education requirement. In 2008, the ULS were updated to indicate that the following list of designations be provided as <u>guidance</u> <u>examples for of</u> designations that would waive prelicensing education, <u>but the This</u> list is not exhaustive:

Life: CEBS, ChFC, CIC, CFP, CLU, FLMI, LUTCF

Health: RHU, CEBS, REBC, HIA

Property/Casualty (P/C): AAI, ARM, CIC, CPCU

Under both reciprocity standards and the ULS, no state shall require prelicensing education for nonresident applicants or nonresident producers who change their state of residency.