

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 482 Department or Agency Department of Insurance*

Rule No. Rule 482-1-151-.08

Rule Title: Apprentice Independent Adjuster License.

New Amend Repeal Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? N/A*

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? N/A*

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? N/A*

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? N/A*

Is the increase in costs, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? N/A*

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? N/A*

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? N/A*

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Sections 27-2-17 and 27-7-43, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it complies with all applicable filing requirements of the Alabama Insurance Code.*

Signature of certifying officer Jim L. Ridling
Jim L. Ridling
Commissioner of Insurance

Date: June 17, 2015

*Note: *The Alabama Department of Insurance is exempt from the Alabama Administrative Procedures Act pursuant to Section 41-22-2(e), Code of Alabama 1975.*

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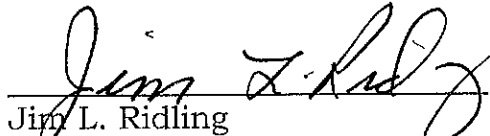
INTENDED ACTION: Amend rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Commissioner of Insurance is proposing to amend the rule which sets forth the procedural requirements applicable to the licensing of apprentice independent adjusters. The changes adjust the application for license fee consistent with recent changes to Section 27-4-2, Code of Alabama 1975.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may submit data, views, or arguments in writing at any time prior to August 5, 2015, to the Alabama Department of Insurance, Attention: Legal Division, Post Office Box 303351, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-3351, or orally by appearing at the public hearing, Suite 502, RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, Alabama, beginning at 10:00 AM, August 12, 2015.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
August 5, 2015

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Reyn Norman
General Counsel


Jim L. Ridling
Commissioner of Insurance

1 **482-1-151-.08 Apprentice Independent Adjuster License.**

2 (1) An individual otherwise qualified as an independent
3 adjuster except as to having taken and passed the written
4 examination may apply for an apprentice independent adjuster
5 license, according to the requirements set forth in this rule
6 for one or more of the following lines of insurance:

7 (a) Property and Casualty, excluding Workers'
8 Compensation and Crop.

9 (b) Workers' Compensation.

10 (c) Crop.

11 (d) Property and Casualty, including Workers'
12 Compensation and Crop.

13 (2) The applicant must be actively engaged in a
14 prelicensing course for the line or lines of authority.
15 Evidence of enrollment in a course by an approved prelicense
16 course provider will be required during the on-line licensing
17 process.

18 (3) The applicant must be under the supervision of a
19 licensed independent adjuster holding the same line or lines
20 of authority. A licensed independent adjuster may supervise

1 no more than five apprentice independent adjusters at one
2 time.

3 (4) The applicant shall complete the Department's on-line
4 licensing process to become licensed as an apprentice
5 independent adjuster producer for a particular line or lines
6 of insurance. Instructions for the on-line licensing process,
7 as they may change from time to time, will be provided on the
8 Department's Web page.

9 (5) The apprentice independent adjuster license is valid
10 for a maximum of twelve months, during which time the
11 apprentice independent adjuster licensee must complete the
12 prelicensing education and examination requirements to convert
13 the license to a regular independent adjuster license.

14 (6) The fees for an apprentice independent adjuster
15 license are the same as for an individual independent adjuster
16 as set forth below:

- 17 (a) Application fee, set in Section 27-4-
- 18 2(a)(11)a. ~~\$20.00~~ \$30.00
- 19 (b) License fee, set in Section 27-4-
- 20 2(a)(11)b.1. \$80.00

1 (7) An individual may only have one apprentice
2 independent adjuster license for any one or more lines of
3 authority in a lifetime, regardless of the length of time
4 held.

5 (8) (a) Upon successful completion of the required
6 independent adjuster examination, an unexpired apprentice
7 independent adjuster license will be automatically converted
8 to an individual independent adjuster license for the same
9 line of authority covered by the examination. No additional
10 fees are required at that time and the new individual
11 independent adjuster license will be considered to have been
12 first issued on the date of the conversion from the apprentice
13 license for purposes of determining renewal and continuing
14 education requirements.

15 (b) If the apprentice independent adjuster license
16 expires prior to successful completion of the require
17 examination, the individual must complete the application
18 process for individual independent adjuster license to become
19 licensed.

20 **Author:** Commissioner of Insurance

21 **Statutory Authority:** Ala. Code §§ 27-2-17 (1975) & 27-9A-18
22 (2011)

23 **History:** New October 18, 2012, effective October 28, 2012;
24 Revised _____, 2015, Effective _____, 2015.