

Legislative Background Brief

for the Economic Affairs Interim Committee

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Advisory Council on Continuing Education for Insurance Licensees Prepared by Pat Murdo, Legislative Research Analyst

Administrative Appointments: By the Insurance Commissioner

Statutorily Established - 33-17-1204, MCA

Purposes:

- Review and recommend to the insurance commissioner which continuing education courses, lectures, seminars, and instructional programs fit the criteria for improving product knowledge, management, ethics, or marketing capability of licensees.
- Consult with the insurance commissioner on rules and standards for approving continuing education activities.

FY 2011 Expenditures for the Advisory Council (latest data available)

Total	Per Diem	Conference Call
\$3,186.13	\$2,650.00	\$563.13

Board: Members include at least one representative of the Independent Insurance Agents of Montana, one representative of the National Association of insurance and financial advisors - Montana, one representative of the Professional Insurance Agents of Montana, one representative of the Montana State Adjusters Association, one title insurance producer, two public members who are not directly affiliated with any of the three listed organizations, and a nonvoting presiding officer from the State Auditor's Office. The members serve 2-year terms.

Members/Address	Affiliation/Representing	Term Expires
John K. Bebee, Great Falls	Unaffiliated insurance agent	9/2013
vacant	Professional Insurance Agents of MT	
Misty Longfellow-Kriskovich, Hobson	Independent Insurance Agents of MT	12/2013
Patricia LaVoie, Kalispell	MT Assn. of Ins. & Financial Advisers	11/2013
Ted Lovec, Billings	Title Insurance	12/2012
Julia McDade, Billings	Public	10/2013
Bob Parsley, Malta	Public	6/2013
Ken Lind, Billings	Adjuster	11/2013
Mary Arnold, Helena	State Auditor's Office Nonvoting rep.	12/2012