

## LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE JAMES J. DONELON COMMISSIONER

## Notice to Prelicensing Providers Regarding Act 273 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session

Act 273 (HB 545) was signed into law effective 6/3/2022. This Act repeals the mandatory prelicense education requirement for applicants for an insurance producer or consultant license for the lines of Life, Accident & Health or Sickness, Property, Casualty, Personal Lines and Title. Applicants for these licenses and authorities will no longer need to complete an approved prelicense education course as a prerequisite to sitting for the license examination.

Act 273 also modified the requirement for applicants for a bail bond producer license. Applicants for a bail bond producer license required to complete 8 hours of instruction prior the completion of the bail bond apprenticeship program. The instruction must include applicable underwriting principles, state laws and regulation and ethical practices and must be conducted by an insurance trade association, an admitted insurer or an accredited public or private college or university. An instructional program conducted by an entity other than one of these three types of organizations will not be accepted and will not satisfy the requirements of the bail bond apprentice program.

Act 273 also repeals the authority of the Louisiana Department of Insurance to review and approve prelicense education courses, including the 8 hours of instruction required for bail applicants. All currently approved prelicense education courses will be cancelled in our records effective 6/3/2022.