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Circular 2006-07

To: All Members

**Re: House Enrolled Act 1392
Commercial Rate Modernization**

House Enrolled Act 1392 contains numerous insurance provisions including commercial rate deregulation, model legislation regarding the life and health guaranty association, and language required to provide adequate regulatory oversight to public school pooling arrangements.

This circular focuses on the provisions that deregulate the filing of commercial rates. The goal of the provision is to clarify Indiana's file and use process. Under the new law, insurers must file rate changes within 30 days of beginning to utilize the rates, but the filings are for information purposes only.

However, the new law carves out an exception for workers compensation insurance [reference IC 27-1-22-4 (b) (2)]. Therefore, both the ICRB and insurance companies continue with business as usual and apply the same filing procedures currently in place for workers compensation filings.

Sincerely,

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President