

Senate Bill No. 2150

An act relating to insurance; amending s. 626.2815, F.S.; allowing certain interactive, on-line continuing education courses to use un-monitored testing; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (j) of subsection (4) of section 626.2815, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

626.2815 Continuing education required; application; exceptions; requirements; penalties.—

(4) The following courses may be completed in order to meet the continuing education course requirements:

(j) Any course, including courses relating to agency management or errors and omissions, developed or sponsored by any authorized insurer or recognized agents' association or insurance trade association or any independent study program of instruction, subject to approval by the department, qualifies for the equivalency of the number of classroom hours assigned thereto by the department. However, unless otherwise provided in this section, continuing education hours may not be credited toward meeting the requirements of this section unless the course is provided by classroom instruction or results in a monitored examination. A monitored examination is not required for an independent study program of instruction that is presented through interactive, on-line technology that the department determines has sufficient internal testing to validate the student's full comprehension of the materials presented.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved by the Governor June 15, 2000.

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