



“Simplifying Regulation for Agents and Brokers...”

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Agents for Change Holds Successful Legislative Conference and Board of Directors Meeting

Agents for Change held its annual board of directors meeting and legislative conference on May 23rd and 24th, 2006.

Board members of Agents for Change met on May 23rd to discuss the direction of the association. Topics discussed included; recruitment, financials, technical amendments to the bylaws, and the National Insurance Act of 2006.

On May 24th, two-dozen producers from across all lines of insurance discussed insurance regulation reform with 33 Members of Congress and/or their staff. Members of Agents for Change discussed the National Insurance Act of 2006 and the benefits that would derive from the enactment of an optional federal charter to allow producers the option to be licensed and regulated by the state or federal government.

Members of Congress and their staff were pleased to hear directly from the producer community about how this policy proposal will affect them and the clients they serve. A common theme we heard throughout the day was that Members of Congress are ‘sympathetic’ to the plight of insurance agents and brokers.

The grassroots education effort was very effective and netted a commitment to further examine the issues of speed to market of products and duplicative and onerous paperwork that insurance producers cite as inefficient and barriers to expanding their business and serving their clients no matter where they reside.

Agents for Change is a trade association of insurance agents and brokers from across all lines of insurance. Members of Agents for Change offer expert advice to public policy makers as they move forward to enact an optional federal charter to allow producers the option of being regulated at either the federal or the state level. Agents for Change has over 1,500 members nationwide.

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