

Active Members of a State or National Insurance Association Can Receive up to 4 Hours of Self-Study Continuing Education

NAIFA-Texas member and State Senator Tommy Williams from The Woodlands introduced and helped pass Senate Bill 265 during the Regular Session of the 79th Legislature in 2005. SB 265 is landmark legislation and was a major legislative initiative pursued by NAIFA-Texas.

SB 265 authorizes the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) to grant **up to** four (4) hours of self-study continuing education credit, per two year reporting period, to an agent who is an active member of a state or national insurance association. To implement Senate Bill 265, TDI adopted new rules, adding Section 19.1020 to Title 28, Texas Administrative Code. Licensees may request CE credit under Section 19.1020 by sending to TDI, a completed “Association Credit Form” with actual time and detailed description of the number of hours in activities the licensee is claiming for CE credit.

Licensees may accumulate up to two (2) hours for reviewing educational materials provided by national or state associations in which they are members and up to four (4) hours for attending educational presentations sponsored by the state or national association.

A licensee claiming hours under this section may claim the actual time, up to an accumulated total of four hours.

CE hours under Section 19.1020 shall apply only as self study credit and shall not count towards the licensee's ethics, classroom, or classroom equivalent CE requirements.

Association members requesting this credit must submit to TDI an “Association Credit Form” provided by TDI.

For more information, contact TDI Agent Licensing at license@tdi.state.tx.us or the NAIFA-TX office at (512) 716-8800

TIPS:

- 1) Must be an active member of a state or national insurance association in good standing. **TIP: Stay current on paying dues.**
- 2) Only up to two hours of credit can be earned by reviewing the educational materials from the national association. **TIP: Read the NAIFA ADVISOR TODAY magazines and save them or at least the articles read, make copies of the articles and include them with the completed “Association Credit Form”.**
- 3) Not more than four hours - the cumulative number of hours of credit claimed for attending the educational presentations: **TIP: NAIFA Convention, NAIFA-Texas Convention, local meetings when the speaker is from NAIFA-Texas/NAIFA. Save programs and agendas, make copies and include them with the completed “Association Credit Form”.**
- 4) Attending educational presentations at the sponsored by NAIFA-TX or NAIFA National. **TIP: Keep handouts of speakers/Conference Program, make copies of the programs and include them with the completed “Association Credit Form”.**
- 5) Send your completed “Association Credit Form” to TDI for approval. It is important that only ACTUAL TIME is requested on the form. Be as specific as possible when completing the “Description of Activities” on the form. Provide all hours that will be requested under this section at one time. **CE hours under Section 19.1020 shall apply only as self study credit and shall not count towards the licensee's ethics, classroom, or classroom equivalent CE requirements.**



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REQUEST FOR ASSOCIATION CREDIT ACCEPTED BY TDI See 28 Texas Administrative Code § 19.1011(f)(g) and § 19.1020

Holders of National Professional Designations may claim credit for reviewing educational materials from the National Designation Sponsor or attendance at presentations of the National Designation Sponsor.

Current members of state or national insurance associations may claim credit for reviewing educational materials from the state or national insurance association or attendance at presentations of the state or national insurance association.

Up to two hours may be claimed for reviewing educational materials. Up to four hours may be claimed for attendance at presentations.

A maximum of four hours total may be requested. The hours requested, no matter how earned, will be counted and posted by TDI as Self-Study credit. Mail completed form to TDI address above.

Texas Association C.E. credit requested by: _____
PRINT CLEARLY PLEASE (Licensee Name)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

(Licensee's Telephone Number) (TDI License Number)

(Licensee's E-mail Address) _____

Current member of: _____

Holder of National Professional Designation: _____

Description of Activities	Reviewing/Attending	Date/Mins./Hour(s)
(May be continued on another page)		
(Actual time of each presentation; Send presenter's name(s); Send programs/agendas/copies of articles read)		

I affirm that I hold the above National Designation or am a member in good standing of the above state or national association and have completed at least the hours claimed in the named activities.

Signature of License Holder Date