

LICENSE RENEWAL DATE CONSOLIDATION

ACTIONS NEEDED:

- **Support Big I New York bills S.6445 (Seward) and A.8484 (Cahill) that establishes June 30 of odd-numbered years as the one common expiration date for all business entity licenses.**

THE ISSUE:

Currently, insurance agencies and brokerages licensed as business entities have three different renewal dates for their business entity licenses. The reason for this is based in part upon New York's unique licensing system whereby insurance producers have separate insurance agent and insurance broker licenses, instead of one single producer license.

THE FACTS:

- Business entities that hold an insurance broker's license authorizing them to sell property/casualty and/or life/health insurance must renew their license on October 31 of even numbered years.
- Business entities licensed as an insurance agent to sell life/health insurance must renew their license on June 30 of odd numbered years.
- Business entities licensed as an insurance agent for property/casualty lines have a renewal date of June 30 of even numbered years.

It is quite common for a business entity to hold all four licenses (life/health agent, property/casualty agent, property/casualty broker and life/health broker) so it has to renew the entity license at three different times. The licensing renewal requirements have become an administrative burden for these business entities. There is also no benefit to the Department of Financial Services to have three separate renewal dates.

