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COMMISSIONER SEVIGNY ENGAGES FEDERAL POLICYMAKERS

Protecting Consumers and Bolstering Markets are Priority Topics

WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 17, 2013) – This week Insurance Commissioner Roger Sevigny met with New Hampshire’s Congressional delegation to discuss insurance issues affecting the Granite State.

Commissioner Sevigny joined insurance regulators from more than 35 states and territories in Washington, D.C. to meet with representatives from various federal agencies as well as their elected Members of Congress. Coordinated by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), the meetings enhance collaboration between state and federal officials on a national scale.

“The intersection of state and federal policy has never been more critical to the insurance sector than it is right now,” said Sevigny. “My job is to protect consumers. Part of that responsibility includes working with New Hampshire’s congressional delegation to ensure that decisions made in Washington are in the best interest of the citizens of New Hampshire.”

Insurance regulators were briefed by Secretary Kathleen Sebelius of the Department of Health and Human Services and Governor Daniel K. Tarullo of the Federal Reserve Board. Congressman Randy Neugebauer of Texas, chair of the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance also addressed the group. Subjects discussed included the impact of Dodd-Frank and Affordable Care Act on states, the agenda of the House Financial Services Committee as well international regulatory developments.

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