HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ Form 8-K September 15, 2005

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: September 12, 2005

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation) 1-10890 (Commission File Number) 37-0911756 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1 Horace Mann Plaza, Springfield, Illinois 62715-0001

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 217-789-2500

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Item 1.01: Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On September 12, 2005, the Board of Directors of Horace Mann Educators Corporation (the Company) approved increases in salary effective October 1, 2005 for two of the Company s Named Executive Officers Peter H. Heckman, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and Paul D. Andrews, Senior Vice President Corporate Services. A current Summary of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Named Executive Officer Annualized Salary is attached as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01: Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 10.1 Summary of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Named Executive Officer Annualized Salary.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Bret A. Conklin Name: Bret A. Conklin

> Title: Senior Vice President & Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: September 15, 2005