

HOUSE BILL No. 2025

By Legislative Educational Planning Committee

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9 AN ACT concerning the state board of regents and postsecondary edu-
10 cational institutions; relating to insurance; amending K.S.A. 75-4101
11 and repealing the existing section.
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 75-4101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-
15 4101. (a) There is hereby created a committee on surety bonds and in-
16 surance, which shall consist of the state treasurer, the attorney general
17 and the commissioner of insurance or their respective designees. The
18 commissioner of insurance shall be the chairperson of the committee and
19 the director of purchases or the director's designee shall be ex officio
20 secretary. The committee shall meet on call of the chairperson and at
21 such other times as the committee shall determine but at least once each
22 month on the second Monday in each month. Meetings shall be held in
23 the office of the commissioner of insurance. The members of the com-
24 mittee shall serve without compensation. The secretary shall be the cus-
25 todian of all property, records and proceedings of the committee. Except
26 as provided in subsections (b) and (c) and in K.S.A. 74-4925 and 74-4927,
27 and amendments thereto, and in K.S.A. 75-6501 to 75-6511, inclusive,
28 and amendments thereto, and in K.S.A. 76-749, and amendments thereto,
29 no state agency shall purchase any insurance of any kind or nature or any
30 surety bonds upon state officers or employees, except as provided in this
31 act. Except as otherwise provided in this section, health care coverage
32 and health care services of a health maintenance organization for state
33 officers and employees designated under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 75-
34 6501, and amendments thereto, shall be provided in accordance with the
35 provisions of K.S.A. 75-6501 to 75-6511, inclusive, and amendments
36 thereto.

37 (b) The Kansas turnpike authority may purchase group life, health
38 and accident insurance or health care services of a health maintenance
39 organization for its employees or members of the highway patrol assigned,
40 by contract or agreement entered pursuant to K.S.A. 68-2025, and
41 amendments thereto, to police toll or turnpike facilities, independent of
42 the committee on surety bonds and insurance and of the provisions of
43 K.S.A. 75-6501 to 75-6511, inclusive, and amendments thereto. Such au-

1 authority may purchase liability insurance covering all or any part of its
2 operations and may purchase liability and related insurance upon all ve-
3 hicles owned or operated by the authority independent of the committee
4 on surety bonds and insurance and such insurance may be purchased
5 without complying with K.S.A. 75-3738 to 75-3744, inclusive, and amend-
6 ments thereto. Any board of county commissioners may purchase such
7 insurance or health care services, independent of such committee, for
8 district court officers and employees any part of whose total salary is
9 payable by the county. Nothing in any other provision of the laws of this
10 state shall be construed as prohibiting members of the highway patrol so
11 assigned to police toll or turnpike facilities from receiving compensation
12 in the form of insurance or health maintenance organization coverage as
13 herein authorized.

14 (c) The agencies of the state sponsoring a foster grandparent or senior
15 companion program, or both, shall procure a policy of accident, personal
16 liability and excess automobile liability insurance insuring volunteers par-
17 ticipating in such programs against loss in accordance with specifications
18 of federal grant guidelines. Such agencies may purchase such policy of
19 insurance independent of the committee on surety bonds and insurance
20 and without complying with K.S.A. 75-3738 to 75-3744, inclusive, and
21 amendments thereto.

22 (d) *The state board of regents and any postsecondary educational*
23 *institution as defined by K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto, may*
24 *purchase property, liability and related insurance covering all real and*
25 *personal property owned or operated by the board or such institution.*
26 *Such insurance may be purchased independent of the committee on surety*
27 *bonds and insurance and without complying with K.S.A. 75-3738 through*
28 *75-3744, and amendments thereto.*

29 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-4101 is hereby repealed.

30 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
31 publication in the statute book.