

## HOUSE BILL No. 2658

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning the state fair board; authorizing the purchase of  
10 workers compensation insurance.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. (a) From and after January 1, 2011, notwithstanding any  
14 provision of K.S.A. 75-4101, or any amendments thereto, to the contrary,  
15 the state fair board is hereby authorized to purchase workers compen-  
16 sation insurance independent of the committee on surety bonds and in-  
17 surance. All workers compensation insurance contracts purchased by the  
18 state fair board pursuant to this section shall be purchased by the state  
19 fair board subject to and in accordance with the provisions of subsection  
20 (b).

21 (b) All insurance contracts or contracts for workers compensation  
22 purchased by the state fair board pursuant to subsection (a), and amend-  
23 ments thereto, shall be purchased by the state fair board in the manner  
24 prescribed for the purchase of supplies, material, equipment or contrac-  
25 tual services under K.S.A. 75-3738 to 75-3744, inclusive, and amend-  
26 ments thereto. Any such contract having a premium or rate in excess of  
27 \$500 shall be purchased on sealed bids.

28 (c) On and after the effective date of this act, the state fair board may:

29 (1) Investigate the possibility of acquiring workers compensation in-  
30 surance; or

31 (2) initiate procedures to acquire workers compensation insurance.  
32 Any such workers compensation insurance shall not take effect before  
33 July 1, 2010.

34 (d) If the state fair board acquires workers compensation pursuant to  
35 this section, the state fair board shall notify the secretary of administration  
36 of the effective date of the workers compensation policy acquired. From  
37 and after the end of the payroll period in which such workers compen-  
38 sation policy takes effect, the self-insurance assessment required by  
39 K.S.A. 44-576, and amendments thereto, shall no longer be made and the  
40 director of accounts and reports shall cease to transfer any funds of the  
41 state fair board to the state workers compensation fund.

42 (e) On and after the effective date in subsection (d), the term "state  
43 agency" as defined in K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 44-575, and amendments

1 thereto, shall not include the state fair board. The state fair board shall  
2 not be a self-insurer under K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 44-575, and amendments  
3 thereto, nor shall it be covered by the state workers compensation insur-  
4 ance fund or subject to the self-insurance assessment imposed under  
5 K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 44-575, and amendments thereto.

6 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
7 publication in the Kansas register.