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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON	INSURANCE	
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All members were present except: Rep. Sutter and Rep. Webb, who were	excused.	
Committee staff present: Wayne Morris, Legislative Research Gordon Self, Revisor's Office Mary Sorensen, Committee Secretary	45,	

Approved <u>Feb. 3, 1983</u>

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Fletcher Bell, Insurance Commissioner
L. M. "Bud" Cornish, lobbyist for the Kansas Association of
Property and Casualty Insurance Companies

Others present:

See List (Attachment 1)

Chairman Hoy introduced Fletcher Bell, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Kansas. Mr. Bell referred to Attachment 2, which was furnished to each committee member, and which outlines the bills the Insurance Department is asking the committee to introduce this session. If introduced by the committee, the bills would then be referred back for discussion and possible action. Mr. Bell said the bills requested by the Insurance Department had been divided between the House Insurance Committee and the Senate Committee on Commercial and Financial Institutions; and on Thursday, January 27th, the Senate committee members would be provided with an outline of the bills they would be asked to introduce. A copy of the proposals to be presented to the Senate committee is attached (Attachment 3) and a copy was provided for each Insurance Committee member, for their information. Mr. Bell discussed each proposal briefly, and there were no questions.

L. M. "Bud" Cornish, representing the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies, then spoke--presenting several bill requests, all dealing with the Kansas No-Fault law. (Attachment 4). Mr. Cornish asked the committee to consider the requests and introduce them as committee bills. These bills, if introduced, would also be referred back to the Insurance Committee for discussion and possible action.

Rep. Blumenthal moved the minutes of the meeting of January 25, 1983, be approved as written. Rep. Mary Jane Johnson seconded. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM.

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 1

This is a very simple proposal. It deals only with the monetary limits applicable to the various personal injury protection benefits and it adjusts the tort threshold by an equivalent amount. In other words, this proposal simply takes the dollar amounts that were enacted in 1973 and adjusts them to current levels by applying the actual increases in the indexes that existed when the no-fault act was structured in 1973. For example, the 1973 medical care component of the Consumer Price Index was 137.7. The October 1982 Medical Care Index which was the latest available when we were developing the program, was 338.7. By applying this increase to the \$2,000 medical payments, we find that when measured in today's dollars, that limit should be \$4,900 to be on a parity with 1973. The same type of approach has been used with the other personal injury protection coverages as well as the monetary tort threshold.

With respect to the threshhold, however, there is one variation in that the increase has been applied to \$1,000 instead of the \$500 threshhold that is actually in the law. The reason for this variation is the fact that, as some will recall, the actuarial report relied upon in 1973 used \$1,000 as the tort threshhold that would balance the first party benefit package at that time. The fact that a \$500 threshhold was enacted does not alter the fact that the actuarial projection indicated it should have been \$1,000. Thus, \$1,000 is the appropriate base to use in bringing the dollar amounts specified in the bill back to a point that reflects current economic conditions.

In addition to the economic adjustments, this proposal includes a new procedure which, if enacted, would keep the PIP benefits and tort threshold at reasonably current levels. Specifically, this procedure would result in an automatic adjustment of these dollar amounts every three years based on the CPI and other appropriate indexes. The only time an adjustment would not occur would be when the change in the index is less than 10%. This seems to be a remote possibility but it avoids insignificant changes and changes of a fractional nature.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 1

AN ACT relating to insurance; automobile liability insurance; personal injury protection benefits; tort actions; amending K.S.A. 40-3103 and 40-3117 and repealing the existing sections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-3103 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3103. As used in this act, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them herein: (a) "Commissioner" means the state commissioner of insurance.

(b) "Disability benefits" means allowances for loss of monthly earnings due to an injured person's inability to engage in available and appropriate gainful activity, subject to the following conditions and limitations: (1) The injury sustained is the proximate cause of the injured person's inability to engage in available and appropriate gainful activity; (2) subject to the maximum benefits stated herein, allowances shall equal one hundred percent (100%) of any such loss per individual, unless such allowances are deemed not includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, in which event such allowances shall be limited to eighty-five percent (85%); and (3) allowances shall be made up to a maximum of not less than six twelve hundred fifty dollars (\$650) (\$1200) per month for not to exceed one (1) year after the date the injured person becomes unable to engage in available and appropriate gainful activity.

(c) "Director" means the director of vehicles.

(d) "Funeral benefits" means allowances for funeral, burial or cremation expenses in an amount not to exceed one thousand twenty-two hundred dollars-(\$1,000) (\$2,200) per individual.

(e) "Highway" means the entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained, when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes

of vehicular travel.

(f) "Implement of husbandry" means every vehicle designed or adapted and used exclusively for agricultural operations and only incidentally operated or moved upon

the highways.

(g) "Insurer" means any insurance company, as defined by K.S.A. 40-201, duly authorized to transact business in this state and which issues policies of motor vehicle liability insurance covering liability arising out of the ownership, operation, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle.

(h) "Injured person" means any person suffering injury.

(i) "Injury" means bodily harm, sickness, disease or death resulting from an accident arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle.

(j) "Lienholder" means a person holding a security interest in a vehicle.

- (k) "Medical benefits" shall mean and include allowances for all reasonable expenses, up to a limit of not less than two thousand forty-nine hundred dollars (\$2,000), (\$4,900), for necessary health care rendered by practitioners licensed by the board of healing arts, surgical, x-ray and dental services, including prosthetic devices and necessary ambulance, hospital and nursing services; and such term also shall include allowances for services recognized and permitted under the laws of this state for an injured person who relies upon spiritual means through prayer alone for healing in accordance with his or her religious beliefs.
- (1) "Monthly earnings" means: (1) In the case of a regularly employed person or a person regularly self-employed, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual earnings at the time of injury; or (2) in the case of a person not regularly employed or self-employed, or of an unemployed person, one-twelfth (1/12) of the anticipated annual earnings from the time such person would reasonably have been expected to be regularly employed. In calculating the anticipated annual earnings of an unemployed person who has previously been employed, the insurer shall average the annual compensation of such person for not to exceed five (5) years preceding the year of injury or death, during which such person was employed.

(m) "Motor vehicle" means every self-propelled vehicle of a kind required to be registered in this state, including any trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer designed for

use with such vehicle, but such term shall not include a motorized bicycle.

(n) "Operator" means any person who drives or is in actual physical control of a motor vehicle upon a highway or who is exercising control over or steering a vehicle being towed by a motor vehicle.

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(o) "Owner" means a person, other than a lienholder, having property in or title to a motor vehicle, including a person who is entitled to the use and possession of a motor vehicle subject to a security interest held by another person; but such term does not include a lessee under a lease not intended as security.

(p) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation or other association of

persons.

- (q) "Personal injury protection benefits" means the disability benefits, funeral benefits, medical benefits, rehabilitation benefits, substitution benefits, and survivors' benefits required to be provided in motor vehicle liability insurance policies pursuant to this act.
- (r) "Rehabilitation benefits" means allowances for all reasonable expenses, up to a limit of not less than two thousand forty-nine hundred dollars (\$2,000), (\$4,900), for necessary psychiatric services, occupational therapy and such occupational training and retraining as may be reasonably necessary to enable the injured person to obtain suitable employment.

(s) "Relative residing in the same household" means a relative of any degree by blood, marriage or adoption, who usually makes his or her home in the same family

unit, whether or not temporarily living elsewhere.

(t) "Security interest" means an interest in a vehicle reserved or created by agreement and which secures payment or performance of an obligation. The term includes the interest of a lessor under a lease intended as security.

(u) "Self-insurer" means any person effecting self-insurance pursuant to

subsection (d) of K.S.A. 1977 Supp. 40-3104.

(v) "Special mobile equipment" means every vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and only incidentally operated or moved over a highway, including but not limited to: Ditch-digging apparatus, wellboring apparatus and road construction and maintenance machinery such as asphalt spreaders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders, tractors other than truck tractors, ditchers, levelling graders, finishing machines, motor graders, road rollers, scarifiers, earth moving carryalls and scrapers, power shovels and drag lines, and self-propelled cranes and earth moving equipment. The term does not include house trailers, dump trucks, truck mounted transit mixers, cranes or shovels, or other vehicles designed for the transportation of persons or property to which machinery has been attached.

(w) "Substitution benefits" means allowances for appropriate and reasonable expenses incurred in obtaining other ordinary and necessary services in lieu of those that, but for the injury, the injured person would have performed for the benefit of himself or herself or his or her family, subject to a maximum of twelve twenty-two dollars (\$1-2)-(\$22) per day for not longer than three hundred sixty-five (365) days after

the date such expenses are incurred.

(x) "Survivor" means a decedent's spouse or child under the age of eighteen (18)

years, where death of the decedent resulted from an injury.

(y) "Survivors' benefits" means total allowances to all survivors for: (1) Loss of an injured person's monthly earnings after his or her death, up to a maximum of not less than six twelve hundred fifty dollars (\$650) (\$1,200) per month; and (2) substitution benefits following the injured person's death. Expenses of the survivors which have been avoided by reason of the injured person's death shall be subtracted from the allowances to which survivors would otherwise be entitled, and survivors' benefits shall not be paid for more than one (1) year after the injured person's death, less the number of months the injured person received disability benefits prior to his or her death.

(z) "Uninsured motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle which is not included under an approved self-insurance plan of a self-insurer or for which there is not in effect a motor vehicle liability insurance policy meeting the requirements of this act.

(aa) "Any workmen's compensation law" means the workmen's compensation act of Kansas, the United States longshoremen's and harbor workers' compensation act, the

federal employer liability acts, and any similar state or federal law.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-3117 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3117. In any action for tort brought against the owner, operator or occupant of a motor vehicle or against any person legally responsible for the acts or omissions of such owner, operator or occupant, a plaintiff may recover damages in tort for pain, suffering, mental anguish, inconvenience and other non-pecuniary loss because of injury only in the event the injury requires medical treatment of a kind described in this act as medical benefits, having a reasonable value of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$500)-(\$2,500) or more, or the injury consists in whole or in part of permanent disfigurement, a fracture to a weight-bearing bone, a compound, comminuted, displaced or compressed fracture,

loss of a body member, permanent injury within reasonable medical probability, permanent loss of a bodily function or death. Any person who is entitled to receive free medical and surgical benefits shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this section upon a showing that the medical treatment received has an equivalent value of at least twenty-five hundred dollars -(\$500)- (\$2,500). Any person receiving ordinary and necessary services, normally performed by a nurse, from a relative or a member of his household shall be entitled to include the reasonable value of such services in meeting the requirements of this section. For the purpose of this section, the charges actually made for medical treatment expenses shall not be conclusive as to their reasonable value. Evidence that the reasonable value thereof was an amount different than the amount actually charged shall be admissible in all actions to which this subsection applies.

New Sec. 3. With the exception of disability, substitution and survivors benefits, the personal injury protection benefits and the monetary amount or value of the medical services necessary to recover damages in tort for pain, suffering, mental anguish, inconvenience and other non-pecuniary loss shall be increased or decreased by 10% for each whole 10% by which the appropriate component or components of the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (all items) prepared by the U.S. Department of Labor changes from such index for January 1973. Any increase or decrease so established shall be rounded to the nearest \$10 for all amounts under \$100 and to the nearest \$100 for all amounts in excess of \$100. Such increases or decreases for disability, substitution and survivors benefits shall be calculated in the same manner but shall be based on the average weekly earnings of production and nonsupervisory workers on private non-agricultural payrolls (total private) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. In the event such index ceases to be maintained, the commissioner shall designate an alternate appropriate index. Any such change shall be made no more frequently than once in any 3 calendar years; shall be calculated by the commissioner on the basis of the information available as of the end of the third quarter of the calendar year preceding the year in which the changes become effective; shall be published in the Kansas Register at least 45 days prior to the effective date; and shall remain in effect until changed as provided herein.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 40-3103 and K.S.A. 40-3117 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 2

Legislative Proposal No. 2 is an attempt to slow the escalation of health care costs in Kansas. For years Blue Cross and Blue Shield subscribers have maintained that the monetary funnel provided by Blue Cross and Blue Shield actually encourage increasing charges for health care services and provide no incentive for exercising thrift with health care dollars. In addition, public concern has been expressed about the fact that rises in health care costs commonly exceed increases in cost of all other items as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

This proposal addresses these issues by limiting the maximum amount Blue Cross and Blue Shield can increase their payments to participating physicians, hospitals and other members to no more than 104% of the increase in the "overall" Consumer Price Index during the preceding year.

In addition, this proposal is a first step toward implementation of the "preferred provider" concept by directly informing subscribers of the names of Blue Cross and Blue Shield participants. These participants will have, in turn, contractually agreed to accept the schedule of charges and fees established by Blue Cross and Blue Shield as payment for the servies performed.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 2

AN ACT relating to nonprofit medical and hospital service corporations; limiting payment to participating members; amending K.S.A. 40-19c10 and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-19c10 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-19c10. (a) No corporation subject to the provisions of the nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation act shall during any one year disburse more than five percent (5%) of the aggregate amount of the payments received from subscribers during that year as expenditures for the soliciting of subscribers, except that during the first year after the issuance of a permit, such corporation may so disburse not more than twenty precentum (20%) of such amount, during the second year not more than fifteen percentum (15%) and during the third year not more than ten percentum (10%).

(b) No such corporation shall, during any one year, disburse a sum greater than ten percentum (10%) of the payments received from subscribers during that year as administrative expenses. As used in this section the term "administrative expenses" shall include all expenditures for nonprofessional services including all activities, contractual arrangements and projects authorized by K.S.A. 40-19c04, and in general, all expenses not directly connected with the furnishing of the benefits specified in this

act, but not including expenses referred to in subsection (a) hereof.

(c) Each corporation organized under the nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation act shall devote a reasonable effort to control costs, including both its administrative costs and cost charged to it by participating hospitals and physicians. Such effort shall include, but not be limited to, a continuing attempt by such corporation through a combination of education, persuasion and financial incentives and disincentives to control cost and to encourage participating physicians and hospitals to control cost by: (1) Elimination of duplicative or unnecessary services, facilities, and equipment; (2) nonprovider participation in the affairs of the corporation; (3) subscriber support of cost containment activities; (4) promotion of sound management practices in participating hospitals; (5) promotion of efficient delivery of health care services by participating physicians; (6) implementation of sound management practices within the nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation; (7) promotion of alternative forms of health care; and (8) engagement in, and evaluation of, cost control experiments, including incentive reimbursement and utilization and peer review programs.

(d) Notwithstanding such corporation's compliance, or extent of compliance, with this section, no nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation doing business in this state shall enter into any contract or agreement with any hospital, physician, or other provider of health care service pursuant to K.S.A. 40-19c04 which will permit or require payment of any maximum amount in excess of that paid the previous calendar year for each professional and hospital service provided to subscribers except to the extent any such increase in payments is by a percentage no greater than 104% of the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (all items) compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor for the immediately preceding calendar year. In the event such index ceases to be maintained, the commissioner shall adopt a regulation establishing an appropriate alternate index.

regulation establishing an appropriate alternate index.

(e) Every corporation subject to the provisions of this act shall provide annually to each subscriber a list of the names and addresses of the physicians, hospitals and other providers of health care services who have entered into agreements or contracts with such corporation.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-19c10 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1984 and its publication in the statute book.

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 3

This proposal is a model law developed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and its purpose is to provide some minimal assurances regarding the financial stability of health maintenance organizations. Kansas now has six licensed health maintenance organizations authorized to do business in this state and the move towards this alternative form of health care seems to be gathering momentum. As a result, the solvency of these kinds of organizations is becoming a matter of significant interest. Legislative Proposal No. 3 attempts to fill this void in a manner which accommodates the unique characteristics of health maintenance organizations. Kansas laws now governing the formation and licensing of health maintenance organizations do not now provide or require that such organizations meet any kind of minimum financial or deposit requirements. Legislative Proposal No. 3 would fill this need.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 3

AN ACT relating to health maintenance organizations; protection against insolvency; requirements.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

New Section 1. (a) Unless otherwise provided below, each health maintenance organization doing business in this state shall deposit with any organization or trustee acceptable to the commissioner through which a custodial or controlled account is utilized, cash, securities, or any combination of these or other measures that is acceptable in the amount set forth in this section.

(b) The amount for an organization that is beginning operation shall be the

greater of:

(1) Five percent (5%) of its estimated expenditures for health care services for its first year of operation,

(2) Twice its estimated average monthly uncovered expenditures for its first year of operation, or

(3) \$100,000.

At the beginning of each succeeding year, unless not applicable, the organization shall deposit with the organization or trustee, cash, securities, or any combination of these or other measures acceptable to the commissioner, in an amount equal to four percent (4%) of its estimated annual uncovered expenditures for that year.

(c) Unless not applicable, an organization that is in operation on the effective

date of this section shall make a deposit equal to the larger of:

(1) One percent (1%) of the preceding twelve (12) months uncovered expenditures, or

(2) \$100,000 on the first day of the first fiscal year beginning six (6) months or

more after the effective date of this section.

In the second fiscal year, if applicable, the amount of the additional deposit shall be equal to two percent (2%) of its estimated annual uncovered expenditures. In the third fiscal year, if applicable, the additional deposit shall be equal to three percent (3%) of its estimated annual uncovered expenditures for that year, and in the fourth fiscal year and subsequent years, if applicable, the additional deposit shall be equal to four percent (4%) of its estimated annual uncovered expenditures for each year. Each year's estimate, after the first year of operation shall reasonably reflect the prior years' operating experience and delivery arrangements.

(d) The commissioner may waive any of the deposit requirements set forth in subsections (a) and (b) above whenever satisfied that the organization has sufficient net worth and an adequate history of generating net income to assure its financial viability for the next year, or its performance and obligations are guaranteed by an organization with sufficient net worth and an adequate history of generating net income, or the assets of the organization or its contracts with insurers, hospital or medical service corporations, governments, or other organizations are reasonably sufficient to assure the performance of its obligations.

(e) When an organization has achieved a net worth not including land, buildings, and equipment of at least \$1 million or has achieved a net worth including organization-related land, buildings, and equipment of at least \$5 million, the annual

deposit requirement shall not apply.

The annual deposit requirement shall not apply to an organization if the total amount of the accumulated deposit is equal to 25% of its estimated annual uncovered expenditures for the next calendar year, or the capital and surplus requirements for the formation for admittance of an accident and health insurer in this state, whichever is less.

If the organization has a guaranteeing organization which has been in operation for at least five (5) years and has a net worth not including land, buildings and equipment of at least \$1 million or which has been in operation for at least ten (10) years and has a net worth including organization-related land, buildings, and equipment of at least \$5 million, the annual deposit requirement shall not apply; if the guaranteeing organization is sponsoring more than one organization, the net worth requirement shall be increased by a multiple equal to the number of such organizations. This requirement to maintain a deposit in excess of the deposit required of an accident and health insurer shall not apply during any time that the guaranteeing organization maintains for each organization it sponsors a net worth at least equal to

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the capital and surplus requirements for an accident and health insurer.

(f) All income from deposits shall belong to the depositing organization and shall be paid to it as it becomes available. A health maintenance organization that has made a securities deposit may withdraw that deposit or any part thereof after making a substitute deposit of cash, securities, or any combination of these or other measures of equal amount and value. Any securities shall be approved by the commissioner before being substituted.

(g) In any year in which an annual deposit is not required of an organization, at the organization's request the commissioner shall reduce the required, previously accumulated deposit by \$100,000 for each \$250,000 of net worth in excess of the amount that allows the organization not to make the annual deposit. If the amount of net worth no longer supports a reduction of its required deposit, the organization shall immediately redeposit \$100,000 for each \$250,000 of reduction in net worth, provided that its total deposit shall not exceed the maximum required under this section.

(h) Each health maintenance organization that obtains a certificate of authority after the effective date of this subsection shall have and maintain a capital account of at least \$100,000 in addition to any deposit requirements under this section. The capital account shall be net of any accrued liabilities and be in the form of cash, securities or any combination of these or other measures acceptable to the commissioner.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1984

and its publication in the statute book.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 4

This proposal would authorize the commissioner to charge expenses incurred in administering the Firemen's Relief Fund to the fund itself as opposed to being paid from the insurance department's general fund appropriation.

The Firemen's Relief Fund is a statutory creature and serves as a source of revenue for payment of benefits to firefighters injured in the performance of their duties.

It is supported by a tax imposed on the premiums collected by insurance carriers for insuring property against loss by fire.

Since this is a special restricted fund designed to fulfill a separate, limited, function, Legislative Proposal No. 4 suggests that the fund itself should be responsible for all aspects of its operation including the cost of its administration. A preliminary estimate of the fiscal effect of this proposal indicates that it would reduce general revenue expenditures by approximately \$40,000.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

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AN ACT relating to the allocation of expenses of administration of the Firemen's Relief Fund, amending K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-1706 and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-1706 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1706. Every firemen's relief association which holds firemen's relief association funds created by this article shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, submit to the commissioner of insurance a verified account showing in full the receipts and disbursements and general condition of such funds for the year ending on the preceding December 31, and the commissioner of insurance, if such account or other information shows such funds are not being expended for the purposes of this act, shall notify the county attorney of the county in which any such firemen's relief association is located and it shall be the duty of the county attorney to institute proceedings to recover for the use of the firemen's relief association all moneys expended for purposes not in accordance with the provisions of this act and the commissioner of insurance shall hold any funds of such firemen's relief association until he or she has been notified by the county attorney that such condition has been corrected.

Otherwise, he or she shall, within one hundred fifty (150) days thereafter, pay over all of the moneys collected from such insurance companies, associations, and corporations doing business within areas as provided in K.S.A. 40-1702, excepting (a) reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the insurance department in the administration of the fund and (b) three percent (3%) thereof, which shall be paid by the commissioner of insurance to the treasurer of the Kansas state firemen's association for the education and study of fire prevention and fire extinguishment and said Kansas state firemen's association shall make an annual accounting to the commissioner of insurance, to the treasurer of the firemen's relief association of such city, township, county or fire district, said association to be composed of members of the fire department of such city, township, county or fire district and to be incorporated under the laws of this state. Except as otherwise provided herein, whenever any firemen's relief association shall fail to qualify for funds, as provided in this act, for a period of two (2) consecutive years, the funds on deposit with such association shall be returned by the county attorney to the commissioner of insurance who shall disburse said funds to the Kansas state firemen's association for the education and study of fire prevention and fire extinguishment, except that when a firemen's relief association shall fail to qualify for such funds, as provided in this act, as a result of the territory which it serves being consolidated, merged or annexed with another governmental unit having a qualified firemen's relief association, the funds and obligations of such disqualified association shall be transferred to the surviving firemen's relief association and the disqualified association shall dissolve forthwith under the existing laws of this state. When any fireman, his widow or those dependent upon any member of the disqualified association is receiving reasonable benefits from such association at the time of disqualification, the benefits shall be continued in accordance with the resolution of such disqualified association and disbursed by the surviving association, if the disqualification resulted from consolidation, merger or annexation, or disbursed by the county attorney if disqualification resulted from reasons other than consolidation, merger or annexation, and nothing in this act shall be construed as a bar to the lawful receipt of said benefits. The treasurer of a firemen's relief association shall give bond for the safekeeping of such funds and for faithful performance in such sum with such sureties as may be approved by the governing body of such city, township, county or fire district. All the moneys so received shall be set apart and used by the firemen's relief association of such cities, townships, counties or fire districts solely and entirely for the objects and purposes of this article, and shall be paid to and distributed by the firemen's relief associations of such cities, townships, counties or fire districts, under such provisions as shall be made by the governing body thereof. In all cases involving expenditures or payments in an amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more prior certification shall be obtained from the attorney of the governing body that such expenditure or payment complies with the requirements of this article. The officers of such firemen's relief association may invest any amount, not to exceed ninety percent (90%) of all such moneys, in investments authorized by K.S.A. 1979 Supp. 12-1675, and amendments thereto, in the manner prescribed therein or in purchasing bonds of the city, township, county or fire district in which such firemen's relief association is located. When they be not obtainable, United States government bonds may be purchased or any municipal bonds of this state, except that

such relief funds shall not be invested under this act in any such bonds where the

bonded indebtedness of any municipality shall exceed fifteen percent (15%) of its total

assessed valuation, as shown by the last assessment preceding such investment. Such investment must be approved by the governing body of such city, township trustees, county or fire district. It shall be the duty of the attorney of such governing body of such city, township, county or fire district to examine all such bonds as to their validity and report thereon in writing to the governing body and the firemen's relief association of such city, township, county or fire district, and no bonds shall be purchased by said firemen's relief association of such city, township, county or fire

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-1706 is hereby repealed. Sec. 3. This act will take effect and be in force July 1, 1983.

district until they have been approved and found valid by the said attorney.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 5

Legislative Proposal No. 5 is a modified version of House Bill 2771 which was considered but not enacted by the 1982 legislature. This proposal, as did House Bill 2771, would prevent a person from being denied insurance benefits because of nonpayment of premium if such nonpayment was due to a physical or mental condition and was so certified by a certified medical professional. Unlike House Bill 2771, however, Legislative Proposal No. 5 is limited to individual accident and sickness policies and its provisions remain effective for only 90 days after the premium was due.

The statutes governing individual accident and health insurance policies in Kansas already require such policies to contain provisions permitting reinstatement of coverage if a premium payment is not made when due. This proposal merely adds to this reinstatement provision by providing that the time the coverage is in force shall not be affected because of the delayed premium payment and such reinstatement will not be subject to approval by the insurer.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-2203 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2203. (A) Required provisions. Except as provided in paragraph (C) of this section every such policy delivered or issued for delivery to any person in this state shall contain the provisions specified in this subsection in the words in which the same appear in this section: Provided, however, That the insurer may, at its option, substitute for one or more of such provisions corresponding provisions of different wording approved by the commissioner of insurance which are in each instance not less favorable in any respect to the insured or the beneficiary. Such provisions shall be preceded individually by the caption appearing in this subsection or at the option of the insurer, by such appropriate individual or group captions or subcaptions as the commissioner of insurance may approve.

(1) A provision as follows: "Entire contract; changes: This policy, including the endorsement and the attached papers, if any, constitutes the entire contract of insurance. No change in this policy shall be valid until approved by an executive officer of the insurer and unless such approval be endorsed hereon or attached hereto.

No agent has authority to change this policy or to waive any of its provisions."

(2) A provision as follows: "Time limit on certain defenses: (a) After two (2) years from the date of issue of this policy no misstatements, except fraudulent misstatement, made by the applicant in the application for such policy shall be used to void the policy or to deny a claim for loss incurred or disability (as defined in the policy) commencing after the expiration of such two (2) year period."

The foregoing policy provision shall not be so construed as to affect any legal requirement for avoidance of a policy or denial of a claim during such initial two (2) year period, nor to limit the application of sections 3(B), (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) in the

event of misstatement with respect to age or occupation or other insurance.

A policy which the insured has the right to continue in force subject to its terms by the timely payment of premium (1) until at least age fifty (50), or (2) in the case of a policy issued after age forty-four (44), for at least five (5) years from its date of issue, may contain in lieu of the foregoing the following provision (from which the clause in parentheses may be omitted at the insurer's option) under the caption "Incontestable": "After this policy has been in force for a period of two (2) years during the lifetime of the insured (excluding any period during which the insured is disabled), it shall become incontestable as to the statements contained in the application.

(b) "No claim for loss incurred or disability (as defined in the policy) commencing after two (2) years from the date of issue of this policy shall be reduced or denied on the ground that a disease or physical condition not excluded from coverage by name or specific description effective on the date of loss has existed prior

to the effective date of coverage of this policy."

(3) A provision as follows: "Grace period: A grace period of "(insert a number not less than "7" for weekly premium policies, "10" for monthly premium policies and "31" for all other policies) "days will be granted for the payment of each premium falling due after the first premium, during which grace period the policy shall continue in force." A policy which contains a cancellation provision may add, at the end of the above provision, "subject to the right of the insurer to cancel in accordance with the cancellation provision hereof." A policy in which the insurer reserves the right to refuse any renewal shall have, at the beginning of the above provision, "Unless not less than five (5) days prior to the premium due date the insurer has delivered to the insured or has mailed to his last address as shown by the records of the insurer written notice of its intention not to renew this policy beyond the period for which the premium has been accepted."

(4) A provision as follows: "Reinstatement: If any renewal premium be is not paid within the time granted the insured for payment, a subsequent acceptance of premium by the insurer or by any agent duly authorized by the insurer to accept such premium without requiring in connection therewith an application for reinstatement shall reinstate the policy. Provided, however, That If the insurer or such agent requires an application for reinstatement and issues a conditional receipt for the premium tendered, the policy will be reinstated upon approval of such application by the insurer or, lacking such approval, upon the forty-fifth (45th) day following the date

such conditional receipt unless the insurer has previously notified the insured in writing of its disapproval of such application. Except as otherwise provided, the reinstated policy shall cover only loss resulting from such accidental injury as may be sustained after the date of reinstatement and loss due to such sickness as may begin more than ten (10) days after such date. If, within ninety (90) days of the date the premium was due, a licensed practitioner of the healing arts or a certified psychologist, familiar with the insured's medical history, certifies that failure to remit the necessary premium in a timely manner could reasonably be attributed to the insured's physical or mental condition, reinstatement of coverage shall not be subject to approval or receipt of an application and the reinstated policy shall become effective as of the time and date it originally lapsed or was terminated for non-payment of premium. In all other respects the insured and insurer shall have the same rights thereunder as they had under the policy immediately before the due date of the defaulted premium, subject to any provisions endorsed hereon or attached hereto in connection with the reinstatement. Any premium accepted in connection with a reinstatement shall be applied to a period for which premium has not been previously paid, but not to any period more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of reinstatement unless the reinstatement was necessitated by a physical or mental condition as hereinbefore provided." The last sentence of the above provision may be omitted from any policy which the insured has the right to continue in force subject to its terms by the timely payment of premiums (1) until at least age fifty (50) or, (2) in the case of a policy issued after age forty-four (44), for at least five (5) years from its date of issue.

(5) A provision as follows: "Notice of claim: Written notice of claim must be given to the insurer within twenty (20) days after the occurrence or commencement of any loss covered by the policy, or as soon thereafter as is reasonably possible. Notice given by or on behalf of the insured or the beneficiary to the insurer at (insert the location of such office as the insurer may designate for the purpose), "or to any authorized agent of the insurer, with information sufficient to identify the insured, shall be deemed notice to the insurer." In a policy providing a loss-of-time benefit which may be payable for at least two (2) years, an insurer may at its option insert the following between the first and second sentences of the above provisions: "Subject to the qualification set forth below, if the insured suffers loss of time on account of disability for which indemnity may be payable for at least two (2) years, he shall, at least once in every six (6) months after having given notice of claim, give to the insurer notice of continuance of said disability, except in the event of legal incapacity. The period of six (6) months following any filing of proof by the insured or any payment by the insurer on account of such claim or any denial of liability in whole or in part by the insurer shall be excluded in applying this provision. Delay in the giving of such notice shall not impair the insured's right to any indemnity which would otherwise have accrued during the period of six (6) months preceding the date on which such notice is

actually given.

(6) A provision as follows: "Claim forms: The insurer, upon receipt of a notice of claim, will furnish to the claimant such forms as are usually furnished by it for filing proofs of loss. If such forms are not furnished within fifteen (15) days after the giving of such notice the claimant shall be deemed to have complied with the requirements of this policy as to proof of loss upon submitting within the time fixed in the policy for filing proofs of loss, written proof covering the occurrence, the

character and the extent of the loss for which claim is made."

(7) A provision as follows: "Proofs of loss: Written proof of loss must be furnished to the insurer at its said office in case of claim for loss for which this policy provides any periodic payment contingent upon continuing loss within ninety (90) days after the termination of the period for which the insurer is liable and in case of claim for any other loss within ninety (90) days after the date of such loss. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to give proof within such time, provided such proof is furnished as soon as reasonably possible and in no event, except in the absence of legal capacity, later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required."

(8) A provision as follows: "Time of payment of claims: Indemnities payable under this policy for any loss other than loss for which this policy provides any periodic payment will be paid immediately upon receipt of due written proof of such loss. Subject to due written proof of loss, all accrued indemnities for loss for which this policy provides periodic payment will be paid " (insert period for payment which must not be less frequently than monthly) "and any balance remaining unpaid upon the termination of liability will be paid immediately upon receipt of due written proof."

(9) A provision as follows: "Payment of claims: Indemnity for loss of life will be payable in accordance with the beneficiary designation and the provisions respecting such payment which may be prescribed herein and effective at the time of payment. If

 no such designation or provision is then effective, such indemnity shall be payable to the estate of the insured. Any other accrued indemnities unpaid at the insured's death may, at the option of the insurer, be paid either to such beneficiary or to such estate. All other indemnities will be payable to the insured." The following provisions, or either of them, may be included with the foregoing provision at the option of the insurer: "If any indemnity of this policy shall be payable to the estate of the insured, or to an insured or beneficiary who is a minor or otherwise not competent to give a valid release, the insurer may pay such indemnity, up to an amount not exceeding " (insert an amount which shall not exceed \$1,000), "to any relative by blood or connection by marriage of the insured or beneficiary who is deemed by the insurer to be equitably entitled thereto. Any payment made by the insurer in good faith pursuant to this provision shall fully discharge the insurer to the extent of such payment. Subject to any written direction of the insured in the application or otherwise all or a portion of any indemnities provided by this policy on account of hospital, nursing, medical, or surgical services may, at the insurer's option and unless the insured requests otherwise in writing not later than the time of filing proofs of such loss, be paid directly to the hospital or person rendering such services; but it is not required that the service be rendered by a particular hospital or person."

- (10) A provision as follows: "Physical examinations and autopsy: The insurer at its own expense shall have the right and opportunity to examine the person of the insured when and as often as it may reasonably require during the pendency of a claim hereunder and to make an autopsy in case of death where it is not forbidden by law."
- (11) A provision as follows: "Legal actions: No action at law or in equity shall be brought to recover on this policy prior to the expiration of sixty days after written proof of loss has been furnished in accordance with the requirements of this policy. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of five (5) years after the time written proof of loss is required to be furnished."
- (12) A provision as follows: "Change of beneficiary: Unless the insured makes an irrevocable designation of beneficiary, the right to change of beneficiary is reserved to the insured and the consent of the beneficiary or beneficiaries shall not be requisite to surrender or assignment of this policy or to any change of beneficiary or beneficiaries, or to any other changes in this policy."

The first clause of this provision, relating to the irrevocable designation of beneficiary, may be omitted at the insurer's option.

- (B) Other provisions: Except as provided in paragraph (C) of this section, no such policy delivered or issued for delivery to any person in this state shall contain provisions respecting the matters set forth below unless such provisions are in the words in which the same appear in this section: Provided, however, That the insurer may, at its option, use in lieu of any such provision a corresponding provision of different wording approved by the commissioner of insurance which is not less favorable in any respect to the insured or the beneficiary. Any such provision contained in the policy shall be preceded individually by the appropriate caption appearing in this subsection or, at the option of the insurer, by such appropriate individual or group captions or subcaptions as the commissioner of insurance may approve.
- (1) A provision as follows: "Change of occupation: If the insured be injured or contract sickness after having changed his occupation to one classified by the insurer as more hazardous than that stated in this policy or while doing for compensation anything pertaining to an occupation so classified, the insurer will pay only such portion of the indemnities provided in this policy as the premium paid would have purchased at the rates and within the limits fixed by the insurer for such more hazardous occupation. If the insured changes his occupation to one classified by the insurer as less hazardous than that stated in this policy, the insurer, upon receipt of proof of such change of occupation, will reduce the premium rate accordingly, and will return the excess pro rata unearned premium from the date of change of occupation or from the policy anniversary date immediately preceding receipt of such proof, whichever is the more recent. In applying this provision, the classification of occupational risk and the premium rates shall be such as have been last filed by the insurer prior to the occurrence of the loss for which the insurer is liable or prior to date of proof of change in occupation with the state official having supervision of insurance in the state where the insured resided at the time this policy was issued; but if such filing was not required, then the classification of occupational risk and the premium rates shall be those last made effective by the insurer in such state prior to the occurrence of the loss or prior to the date of proof of change in occupation."

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- (2) A provision as follows: "Misstatement of age: If the age of the insured has been misstated, all amounts payable under this policy shall be such as the premium paid would have purchased at the correct age."

(3) A provision as follows: "Other insurance in this insurer: If an accident or sickness or accident and sickness policy or policies previously issued by the insurer to the insured be in force concurrently herewith, making the aggregate indemnity for "(insert type of coverage or coverages) "in excess of \$ "(insert maximum limit of indemnity or indemnities) "the excess insurance shall be void and all premiums paid for such excess shall be returned to the insured or to his estate"; or, in lieu thereof: "Insurance effective at any one time on the insured under a like policy or policies in this insurer is limited to one such policy elected by the insured, his beneficiary or his estate, as the case may be, and the insurer will return all premiums paid for all other such policies."

(4) A provision as follows: "Insurance with other insurers: If there be other valid coverage, not with this insurer, providing benefits for the same loss on a provision of service basis or on an expense incurred basis and of which this insurer has not been given written notice prior to the occurrence or commencement of loss, the only liability under any expense incurred coverage of this policy shall be for such proportion of the loss as the amount which would otherwise have been payable hereunder plus the total of the like amounts under all such other valid coverages for the same loss of which this insurer had notice bears to the total like amounts under all valid coverages for such loss, and for the return of such portion of the premiums paid as shall exceed the pro rata portion for the amount so determined. For the purpose of applying this provision when other coverage is on a provision of service basis, the 'like amount' of such other coverage shall be taken as the amount which the services rendered would have cost in the absence of such coverage." If the foregoing policy provision is included in a policy which also contains the next following policy provision there shall be added to the caption of the foregoing provision the phrase "

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expense incurred benefits." The insurer may, at its option, include in this provision a
definition of "other valid coverage," approved as to form by the commissioner of
insurance, which definition shall be limited in subject matter to coverage provided by
organizations subject to regulation by insurance law or by insurance authorities of this
or any other state of the United States or any province of Canada, and by hospital or
medical service organizations, and to any other coverage the inclusion of which may be
approved by the commissioner of insurance. In the absence of such definition such
term shall not include group insurance, automobile medical payments insurance, or
coverage provided by hospital or medical service organizations or by union welfare
plans or employer or employee benefit organizations. For the purpose of applying the
foregoing policy provision respect to any insured, any amount of benefit provided for
such insured pursuant to any compulsory benefit statute (including any workmen's
compensation or employer's liability statute) whether provided by a governmental
agency or otherwise shall in all cases be deemed to be "other valid coverage" of which
the insurer has had notice. In applying the foregoing policy provision no third party

liability coverage shall be included as "other valid coverage."

(5) A provision as follows: "Insurance with other insurers: If there be other valid coverage, not with this insurer, providing benefits for the same loss on other than an expense incurred basis and of which this insurer has not been given written notice prior to the occurrence or commencement of loss, the only liability for such benefits under this policy shall be for such proportion of the indemnities otherwise provided hereunder for such loss as the like indemnities of which the insurer had notice (including the indemnities under this policy) bear to the total amount of all like indemnities for such loss, and the return of such portion of the premium paid as shall exceed the pro rata portion for the indemnities thus determined." If the foregoing policy provision is included in a policy which also contains the next preceding policy provision there shall be added to the caption of the foregoing provision the phrase other benefits." The insurer may, at its option, include in this provision a definition of "other valid coverage," approved as to form by the commissioner of insurance, which definition shall be limited in subject matter to coverage provided by organizations subject to regulation by insurance law or by insurance authorities of this or any other state of the United States or any province of Canada, and to any other coverage the inclusion of which may be approved by the commissioner of insurance. In the absence of such definition such term shall not include group insurance, or benefits provided by union welfare plans or by employer or employee benefit organizations. For the purpose of applying the foregoing policy provision with respect to any insured, any amount of benefit provided for such insured pursuant to any compulsory benefit statute (including any workmen's compensation or employer's liability statute) whether provided by a governmental agency or otherwise shall in all cases be deemed to be "other valid coverage" of which the insurer has had notice. In applying the foregoing policy provision no third party liability coverage shall be included as "other valid coverage."

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(6) A provision as follows: "Relation of earnings to insurance: If the total monthly amount of loss of time benefits promised for the same loss under all valid loss of time coverage upon the insured, whether payable on a weekly or monthly basis, shall exceed the monthly earnings of the insured at the time disability commenced or his average monthly earnings for the period of two (2) years immediately preceding a disability for which claim is made, whichever is the greater, the insurer will be liable only for such proportionate amount of such benefits under this policy as the amount of such monthly earnings or such average monthly earnings of the insured bears to the total amount of monthly benefits for the same loss under all such coverage upon the insured at the time such disability commences and for the return of such part of the premiums paid during such two (2) years as shall exceed the pro rata amount of the premiums for the benefits actually paid hereunder; but this shall not operate to reduce the total monthly amount of benefits payable under all such coverage upon the insured below the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) or the sum of the monthly benefits specified in such coverages, whichever is the lesser, nor shall it operate to reduce benefits other than those payable for loss of time." The foregoing policy provision may be inserted only in a policy which the insured has the right to continue in force subject to its terms by the timely payment of premiums (1) until at least age fifty (50), or (2) in the case of a policy issued after age forty-four (44), for at least five (5) years from its date of issue. The insurer may, at its option, include in this provision a definition of "valid loss of time coverage," approved as to form by the commissioner of insurance, which definition shall be limited in subject matter to coverage provided by governmental agencies or by organizations subject to regulation by insurance law or by insurance authorities of this or any other state of the United States or any province of Canada, or to any other coverage the inclusion of which may be approved by the commissioner of insurance or any combination of such coverages. In the absence of such definition such term shall not include any coverage provided for such insured pursuant to any compulsory benefit statute (including any workmen's compensation or employer's liability statute), or benefits provided by union welfare plans or by employer or employee benefit organizations.

(7) A provision as follows: "Unpaid premium: Upon the payment of a claim under this policy, any premium then due and unpaid or covered by any note or written

order may be deducted therefrom."

(8) A provision as follows: "Cancellation: The insurer may cancel this policy at any time by written notice delivered to the insured, or mailed to his last address as shown by the records of the insurer, stating when, not less than five (5) days thereafter, such cancellation shall be effective; and after the policy has been continued beyond its original term the insured may cancel this policy at any time by written notice delivered or mailed to the insurer, effective upon receipt or on such later date as may be specified in such notice. In the event of cancellation, the insurer will return promptly the unearned portion of any premium paid. If the insured cancels, the earned premium shall be computed by the use of the short-rate table last filed with the state official having supervision of insurance in the state where the insured resided when the policy was issued. If the insurer cancels, the earned premium shall be computed pro rata. Cancellation shall be without prejudice to any claim originating prior to the effective date of cancellation."

(9) A provision as follows: "Conformity with state statutes: Any provision of this policy which, on its effective date, is in conflict with the statutes of the state in which the insured resides on such date is hereby amended to conform to the minimum

requirements of such statutes."

(10) A provision as follows: "Illegal occupation: The insurer shall not be liable for any loss to which a contributing cause was the insured's commission of or attempt to commit a felony or to which a contributing cause was the insured's being engaged in an illegal occupation."

(II) A provision as follows: "Intoxicants and narcotics: The insurer shall not be liable for any loss sustained or contracted in consequence of the insured's being intoxicated or under the influence of any narcotic unless administered on the advice of

a physician."

(C) Inapplicable or inconsistent provisions: If any provision of this section is in whole or in part inapplicable to or inconsistent with the coverage provided by a particular form of policy the insurer, with the approval of the commissioner of insurance, shall omit from such policy any inapplicable provision or part of a provision, and shall modify any inconsistent provision or part of the provision in such manner as to make the provision as contained in the policy consistent with the coverage provided by the policy.

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(D) Order of certain policy provisions: The provisions which are the subject of subsection (A) and (B) of this section, or any corresponding provisions which are used in lieu thereof in accordance with such subsections, shall be printed in the consecutive order of the provisions in such subsections or, at the option of the insurer, any such provision may appear as a unit in any part of the policy, with other provisions to which it may be logically related, provided the resulting policy, shall not be in whole or in part unintelligible, uncertain, ambiguous, abstruse, or likely to mislead a person to whom the policy is offered, delivered or issued.

(E) Third party ownership: The word "insured," as used in this act, shall not be construed as preventing a person other than the insured with a proper insurable interest from making application for and owning a policy covering the insured or from being entitled under such a policy to any indemnities, benefits and rights provided

therein.

(F) Requirements of other jurisdictions: (1) Any policy of a foreign or alien insurer, when delivered or issued for delivery to any person in this state, may contain any provision which is not less favorable to the insured or the beneficiary than the provisions of this act and which is prescribed or required by the law of the state under which the insurer is organized. (2) Any policy of a domestic insurer may, when issued for delivery in any other state or country, contain any provision permitted or required by the laws of such other state or country.

(G) Filing procedure: The commissioner of insurance may make such reasonable rules and regulations concerning the procedure for the filing or submission of policies subject to this act as are necessary, proper or advisable to the administration of this act. This provision shall not abridge any other authority granted the commissioner of

insurance by law.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-2203 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1984 and its publication in the statute book.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 6

This proposal was suggested by representatives of the National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons. Its primary purpose is to encourage older adults to participate in driver improvement programs. Under the proposal such encouragement is promoted by requiring insurers to provide for an appropriate reduction in premium for persons who successfully complete an approved motor vehicle accident prevention course. The proposal does not, however, specify the amount of the discount and, therefore, this will ultimately depend on the loss experience developed by persons qualifying for the discount.

The House Insurance Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 6

AN ACT relating to insurance; concerning motor vehicle insurance; providing for approved motor vehicle accident prevention programs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

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- Section 1. Any schedule of rates or rating plan for automobile liability and physical damage insurance submitted to or filed with the commissioner pursuant to K.S.A. 40-1113, shall provide for an appropriate reduction in premium charges for those insureds 55 years of age and older for a two-year period after successfully completing a motor vehicle accident prevention course approved by the state department of education. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there shall be no reduction in premiums for a self-instructed course or a course which does not provide for actual classroom or field driving instruction for a minimum number of hours.
- Sec. 2. Upon each participant's successful completion of the approved course, the sponsoring agency or organization shall immediately notify the state department of education who shall promptly provide the participant a certificate which shall serve as evidence of qualification for the discount on insurance.
- Sec. 3. Insureds 60 years of age and older shall successfully complete an approved course each two years to continue to be eligible for the premium discount.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 16

Legislative Proposal No. 16 amends K.S.A. 40-235 which prohibits the issuance of any estimate, illustration, circular or statement misrepresenting the terms of any insurance contract. This amendment would add new subsection (b) stating that no preliminary or final policy or contract of insurance written pursuant to K.S.A. 40-1102 et seq., may be written unless and until the insurance company has caused to be conducted a reasonable title search.

The House Committee on Insurance will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 16

AN ACT relating to insurance; concerning search and examination of title to property and determination of insurability and risk; amending K.S.A. 40-235 and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-235 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-235. (a) No insurance company or fraternal benefit society doing business in this state, and no officer, director, solicitor, or other agent thereof, shall make, issue or circulate, or cause to be issued or circulated, any estimate, illustration, circular or statement of any sort misrepresenting the terms of any policy issued or to be issued by it or the benefits or advantages promised thereby, or the dividends or share of the surplus to be received thereon, or shall use any name or title of any policy or class of policies misrepresenting the true nature thereof. No officer, director, solicitor or agent of any insurance company shall make any misrepresentation to any person insured in any company for the purpose of inducing or tending to induce a policyholder in any company to lapse, forfeit, or surrender his such policyholder's insurance.

(b) No preliminary or final policy or contract of insurance of the class authorized to be transacted in this state pursuant to paragraph (e) of K.S.A. 40-1102, and amendments thereto, may be written unless and until the insurance company or its agent has caused to be conducted a reasonable search and examination of the title to the property involved and has caused to be made a determination of insurability of title and the risk in accordance with sound underwriting practices.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-235 is hereby repealed.

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

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 17

Legislative Proposal No. 17 would amend K.S.A. 40-2404 which pertains to this department's regulation of insurance companies for violations of certain unfair trade practices. This bill would add a new section to the Unfair Trade Practices Act. Specifically, section (14) prohibits rebates in title insurance in order to foster competition in the title insurance arena from the standpoint of individual purchasers. Currently and in the past the competitive pressure has been exerted between title insurers and local title insurance agents. This kind of competition tends to increase prices for the consumer or, at least it doesn't encourage price reductions.

This bill originated from discussion this department has had with various title insurance interests and was previously introduced by the 1982 legislature and was designed to foster additional comment.

The House Committee on Insurance will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 17

AN ACT relating to insurance; concerning unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the business of title insurance; amending K.S.A. 40-2404 and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-2404 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2404. The following are hereby defined as unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the business of insurance:

(1) Misrepresentations and false advertising of insurance policies. Making, issuing, circulating, or causing to be made, issued or circulated, any estimate, illustration, circular, statement, sales presentation, omission or comparison which:

(a) Misrepresents the benefits, advantages, conditions or terms of any insurance

(b) misrepresents the dividends or share of the surplus to be received on any insurance policy;

(c) makes any false or misleading statements as to the dividends or share of surplus previously paid on any insurance policy;

(d) is misleading or is a misrepresentation as to the financial condition of any person, or as to the legal reserve system upon which any life insurer operates;

(e) uses any name of title of any insurance policy or class of insurance policies misrepresenting the true nature thereof;

(f) is a misrepresentation for the purpose of inducing or tending to induce the lapse, forfeiture, exchange, conversion or surrender of any insurance policy;

(g) is a misrepresentation for the purpose of effecting a pledge or assignment of or effecting a loan against any insurance policy; or

(h) misrepresents any insurance policy as being shares of stock.

(2) False information and advertising generally. Making, publishing, disseminating, circulating or placing before the public, or causing, directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, or placed before the public, in a newspaper, magazine or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter or poster, or over any radio or television station, or in any other way, an advertisement, announcement or statement containing any assertion, misrepresentation or statement with respect to the business of insurance or with respect to any person in the conduct of such person's insurance business, which is untrue, deceptive or misleading.

(3) Defamation. Making, publishing, disseminating, or circulating, directly or indirectly, or aiding, abetting or encouraging the making, publishing, disseminating or circulating of any oral or written statement or any pamphlet, circular, article or literature which is false, or maliciously critical of or derogatory to the financial condition of any person, and which is calculated to injure such person.

(4) Boycott, coercion and intimidation. Entering into any agreement to commit, or by any concerted action committing, any act of boycott, coercion or intimidation resulting in or tending to result in unreasonable restraint of the business of insurance, or by any act of boycott, coercion or intimidation monopolizing or attempting to monopolize any part of the business of insurance.

(5) False statements and entries. (a) Knowingly filing with any supervisory or other public official, or knowingly making, publishing, disseminating, circulating or delivering to any person, or placing before the public, or knowingly causing directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, delivered to any person, or placed before the public, any false material statement of fact as to the financial condition of a person.

(b) Knowingly making any false entry of a material fact in any book, report or statement of any person or knowingly omitting to make a true entry of any material fact pertaining to the business of such person in any book, report or statement of such person.

(6) Stock operations and advisory board contracts. Issuing or delivering or permitting agents, officers or employees to issue or deliver, agency company stock or other capital stock, or benefit certificates or shares in any common-law corporation, or securities or any special or advisory board contracts or other contracts of any kind promising returns and profits as an inducement to insurance. Nothing herein shall prohibit the acts permitted by K.S.A. 40-232.

(7) Unfair discrimination. (a) Making or permitting any unfair discrimination between individuals of the same class and equal expectation of life in the rates

charged for any contract of life insurance or life annuity or in the dividends or other benefits payable thereon, or in any other of the terms and conditions of such contract.

(b) Making or permitting any unfair discrimination between individuals of the same class and of essentially the same hazard in the amount of premium, policy fees, or rates charged for any policy or contract of accident or health insurance or in the benefits payable thereunder, or in any of the terms or conditions of such contract, or in any other manner whatever.

- (8) Rebates. (a) Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, knowingly permitting or offering to make or making any contract of life insurance, life annuity or accident and health insurance, or agreement as to such contract other than as plainly expressed in the insurance contract issued thereon, or paying or allowing, or giving or offering to pay, allow, or give, directly or indirectly, as inducement to such insurance, or annuity, any rebate of premiums payable on the contract, or any special favor or advantage in the dividends or other benefits thereon, or any valuable consideration or inducement whatever not specified in the contract; or giving, or selling, or purchasing or offering to give, sell, or purchase as inducement to such insurance contract or annuity or in connection therewith, any stocks, bonds, or other securities of any insurance company or other corporation, association, or partnership, or any dividends or profits accrued thereon, or anything of value whatsoever not specified in the contract.
- (b) Nothing in subsection (7) or paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be construed as including within the definition of discrimination or rebates of any of the following practices:
- (i) In the case of any contract of life insurance or life annuity, paying bonuses to policyholders or otherwise abating their premiums in whole or in part out of surplus accumulated from nonparticipating insurance. Any such bonuses or abatement of premiums shall be fair and equitable to policyholders and for the best interests of the company and its policyholders;

(ii) in the case of life insurance policies issued on the industrial debit plan, making allowance to policyholders who have continuously for a specified period made premium payments directly to an office of the insurer in an amount which fairly represents the saving in collection expenses;

(iii) readjustment of the rate of premium for a group insurance policy based on the loss or expense experience thereunder, at the end of the first or any subsequent policy year of insurance thereunder, which may be made retroactive only for such policy year.

(9) Unfair claim settlement practices. Committing or performing with such frequency as to indicate a general business practice of any of the following:

(a) Misrepresenting pertinent facts or insurance policy provisions relating to coverages at issue;

(b) failing to acknowledge and act reasonably promptly upon communications with respect to claims arising under insurance policies.

(c) failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation of claims arising under insurance policies;

(d) refusing to pay claims without conducting a reasonable investigation based upon all available information;

(e) failing to affirm or deny coverage of claims within a reasonable time after proof of loss statements have been completed;

(f) not attempting in good faith to effectuate prompt, fair and equitable

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(g) compelling insureds to institute litigation to recover amounts due under an insurance policy by offering substantially less than the amounts ultimately recovered in actions brought by such insureds;

(h) attempting to settle a claim for less than the amount to which a reasonable person would have believed that such person was entitled by reference to written or printed advertising material accompanying or made part of an application;

(i) attempting to settle claims on the basis of an application which was altered without notice to, or knowledge or consent of the insured;

(j) making claims payments to insureds or beneficiaries not accompanied by a statement setting forth the coverage under which payments are being made;

(k) making known to insureds or claimants a policy of appealing from arbitration awards in favor of insureds or claimants for the purpose of compelling them to accept settlements or compromises less than the amount awarded in arbitration;

(1) delaying the investigation or payment of claims by requiring an insured, claimant, or the physician of either to submit a preliminary claim report and then requiring the subsequent submission of formal proof of loss forms, both of which submissions contain substantially the same information;

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(m) failing to promptly settle claims, where liability has become reasonably clear under one portion of the insurance policy coverage in order to influence settlements under other portions of the insurance policy coverage;

(n) failing to promptly provide a reasonable explanation of the basis in the insurance policy in relation to the facts or applicable law for denial of claim or for the

offer of a compromise settlement.

(10) Failure to maintain complaint handling procedures. Failure of any person, who is an insurer on an insurance policy, to maintain a complete record of all the complaints which it has received since the date of its last examination under K.S.A. 40-222; but no such records shall be required for complaints received prior to the effective date of this act. This record shall indicate the total number of complaints, their classification by line of insurance, the nature of each complaint, the disposition of these complaints, the date each complaint was originally received by the insurer, and the date of final disposition of each complaint. For purposes of this subsection, "complaint" shall mean any written communication primarily expressing a grievance related to the acts and practices set out in this section.

Misrepresentation in insurance applications. Making false or fraudulent statements or representations on or relative to an application for an insurance policy, for the purpose of obtaining a fee, commission, money or other benefit from any

insurer, agent, broker or individual.

(12) Statutory violations. Any violation of any of the provisions of K.S.A. 40-1515 or 40-276a.

(13) Disclosure of information relating to adverse underwriting decisions, as defined in K.S.A. 40-2,111. Failing to provide applicants, policyholders and individuals proposed for coverage with the information required under K.S.A. 40-2,112 within the

time prescribed in such section.

(14) Rebates and other inducements in title insurance (a) No title insurance company or title insurance agent, or any officer, employee, attorney, agent or solicitor thereof, may pay, allow or give, or offer to pay, allow or give, directly or indirectly, as an inducement to obtaining any title insurance business, any rebate, reduction or abatement of any rate or charge made incident to the issuance of such insurance, any special favor or advantage not generally available to others of the same classification, or any money, thing of value, or other consideration or material inducement. The words "charge made incident to the issuance of such insurance" includes, without limitations, escrow, settlement and closing charges.

(b) No insured named in a title insurance policy or contract nor any other person directly or indirectly connected with the transaction involving the issuance of the policy or contract, including, but not limited to, mortgage lender, real estate broker, builder, attorney, or any officer, employee, agent representative or solicitor thereof, or any other person may knowingly receive or accept, directly or indirectly, any rebate, reduction or abatement of any charge, or any special favor or advantage or any monetary consideration or inducement referred to in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting:

(i) The payment of reasonable fees for services actually rendered either to a title insurance agent in connection with a title insurance transaction; or

(ii) the payment of an earned commission to a duly appointed title insurance agent for services actually performed in the issuance of the policy of title insurance.

(iii) The payment of reasonable entertainment and advertising expenses.(d) Nothing in this section prohibits the division of rates and charges between or among a title insurance company and its agent, two or more title insurance companies, one or more title insurance companies and one or more title insurance agents or two or more title insurance agents, provided such division of rates and charges does not constitute an unlawful rebate under the provisions of this section and is not in payment of a forwarding fee or a finder's fee.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-2404 is hereby repealed.

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

Attachment 3

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 7

Historically, insurance companies have been subject to limitations on the kind and amount of investment opportunities they can engage in. Generally, these limitations have been intended to serve two purposes. First, they were designed to promote investments in property that can be readily converted to cash in order that insurers would be in a constant state of readiness with respect to payment of claims. Second, such limitations have been designed to buttress financial solvency by not permitting investments in overly speculative type of ventures or by placing too large a portion of the company's assets in a single kind of investment medium. These limitations have served their purpose quite well and, as a result, the insuring public has been the beneficiary of an insurance industry that, on an overall basis, has been financially stable.

Legislative Proposal No. 7 does not depart from this historic philosophy. At the same time, however, it recognizes that investment opportunities are constantly changing. It further recognizes that financial institutions are becoming increasingly competitive and that the traditional distinctions that have separated one kind of financial institution from another are disappearing. In one way or another, directly or indirectly, the kinds of products that are available from insurance companies and the price the customers of insurance companies will pay for their products is inextricably influenced by the return insurance companies earn on their investments. As a result, the public would be poorly served by a demand on the part of regulators or legislators that insurance companies be forever tied to overly stringent investment restrictions.

Legislative Proposal No. 7 addresses the changing investment environment by lessening current restrictions; permitting investments in securities not previously specified in the insurance investment statutes, and by recognizing the value of assets already owned by insurance companies but not previously permitted to be treated as a bona fide asset because of insurance accounting principles. As a result enactment of this proposal will permit Kansas domiciled insurance companies to better compete for tomorrow's investment dollars without endangering their ability to meet today's obligations.

The Senate Commercial and Financial Institutions Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-2b06 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b06. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in preferred stocks of, or stocks guaranteed by, a corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America, or of any state, district, insular or territorial possession thereof; or of the Dominion of Canada, or any province thereof; in an amount not to exceed twenty-percent-(20%) twenty-five percent (25%) of its admitted assets as shown by the company's last annual report, as filed with the state commissioner of insurance, and which meets the following qualifications:

(a) All bonds or other evidences of indebtedness and preferred stocks shown on the last published annual statement of the issuing corporation, if any, senior to the preferred stock acquired must be eligible as investments under K.S.A. 40-2b05 or 40-

2b06 as of the date of acquisition;

(b) if cumulative preferred, not in arrears as to dividends, or if noncumulative, has paid full dividends in each of the last three (3) years;

(c) sinking fund payments are on a current basis;

(d) if net earnings available for fixed charges for the most recently completed three fiscal year period is at least equal to one and one-quarter (1%) times the aggregate fixed charges, plus full contingent interest and preferred dividend requirements of the preferred stock under consideration and those on a parity therewith or having a priority thereto, for the same period; and

(e) the corporation must have been in existence for a period of not less than five

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year on funded and unfunded debt;

(b) "net earnings" shall mean income, before deducting interest on funded and unfunded debt, and after deducting operating and maintenance expenses, depreciation and depletion, and all taxes (including income taxes). Extraordinary, nonrecurring items of income or expenses shall be excluded.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-2b07 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b07. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in the common stock of any corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States or any state, or of the District of Columbia, or of the Dominion of Canada, or any province of the Dominion of Canada, in an amount, based upon cost, not exceeding ten-percent-(10%) fifteen percent (15%) of its admitted assets or not exceeding the combined capital and surplus, whichever is the lesser, as shown by the company's last annual report. Such life insurance company may write exchange traded, covered call options on shares it owns and may purchase call options for the sole purpose of closing out a position taken previously with respect to one or more options having been written. The purchase of a call option for any reason other than as a closing transaction and the writing of naked (uncovered) call options are hereby prohibited. Investments in common stocks and the writing of call options shall be further limited as follows:
- (a) The obligations and preferred stock, if any, shown on the last published annual statement of such corporation must be eligible for investment under K.S.A. 40-2b05 or 40-2b06;

(b) cash dividends have been paid during each of the last three (3) years preceding the date of acquisition;

(c) the stock is registered with a national securities exchange regulated under the securities exchange act of 1934, as amended, or is regularly traded on a national or regional basis . of is that of a corporation registered and operated as an open endregulated investment-company in -accordance with the investment-company -act-of 1-940, as amended;

(d) The company shall have earnings in three (3) of the last five (5) years preceding the date of acquisition;

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(e) at no time shall an insurance company invest in more than five percent (5%) of the total number of the outstanding shares of any one such corporation, nor an amount more than two percent (2%) of the investing insurance company's admitted assets in shares of any one such corporation (determined on the basis of the cost of such shares to the insurance company at time of purchase). With the approval of the commissioner of insurance, a company-may-acquire in-excess of five-percent (5%)-of the outstanding-shares-of-another insurance company;

(f) stock owned by an insurance company that is obligated under an unexpired written call option shall be valued at the lesser of the striking price or current market value. For the purposes of this subsection, "striking price" means the price per share, exclusive of selling costs, the company would receive should the call option be

exercised by the holder.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-2b09 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b09. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in:

- (a) Bonds, notes, obligations or other evidences of indebtedness secured by mortgages or deeds of trust which are a first lien upon unencumbered real property and appurtenances thereto within the United States of America, or any insular or territorial possession of the United States, or the Dominion of Canada, and upon leasehold estates in real property wherein the term of such including any options to extend is not less than fifteen (15) years beyond the maturity of the loan as made or extended: Provided, That-At the date of acquisition the total indebtedness secured by such lien shall not exceed seventy-five-percent (75%)-eighty percent (80%) of the market value of the property upon which it is a lien, unless that portion of the total indebtedness in excess of seventy-five-percent-(75%)-eighty percent (80%) of market value is insured by a mortgage insurance company authorized by the commissioner of insurance to do business in this state. These limitations shall not apply to obligations described in subsections (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of this section: And provided further, That For the purpose of this section a mortage or deed of trust shall not be deemed to be other than a first lien upon property within the meaning of this section by reason of the existence of taxes or assessments against real property and appurtenances thereto that are not delinquent, instruments creating or reserving mineral, oil, or timber rights, rights-of-way, joint driveways, sewer rights, rights in walls or by reason of building restrictions or other like restrictive covenants, or when such real estate is subject to lease in whole or in part whereby rents or profits are reserved to the owner or when there is in existence a fixed obligation or lien against the property where an escrow account or indemnification bond is or has been established or obtained sufficient to cover the maximum liability created by such obligation or lien;
- (b) bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness representing loans and advances of credit that have been issued, guaranteed or insured by the United States government or an agency or instrumentality thereof or insured by any insurance company authorized to transact such business in this state: Provided, That any uninsured or nonguaranteed portion shall not exceed seventy-five-percent-(75%) eighty percent (80%) of the total amount;

(c) contracts of sale, purchase money mortgages or deeds of trust secured by property obtained through foreclosure, or in settlement or satisfaction of any

indebtedness;

(d) bonds, notes, obligations, or other evidences of indebtedness secured by mortgages or deeds of trust which are a first lien upon unencumbered personal or real or both personal and real property, including a leasehold of real estate, under lease, purchase contract, or lease purchase contract to any governmental body or instrumentality whose obligations qualify under K.S.A. 40-2b01, 40-2b02 or 40-2b03 or to a corporation whose obligations qualify under K.S.A. 40-2b05: Provided, There is adequate rental, after making allowance of lessors' or sellers' obligations and liabilities, if any, under the terms of said lease or contract, to retire the loan as to payments of principal and interest: And provided further, That the rentals are pledged or assigned to the lender;

(e) bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness representing loans and advances of credit that have been issued, guaranteed or insured, in accordance with the terms and provisions of an act of the federal parliament of the Dominion of Canada approved March 18, 1954, cited as the "national housing act, 1954," as

heretofore and hereafter amended.

(f) Participation in mortage lending is specifically permitted in this section as between Kansas domiciled life insurance companies, or, between Kansas domiciled life insurance companies and life insurance companies organized under the laws of another country, state, or territory and authorized to do business in the state of Kansas, or,

between Kansas domiciled life insurance companies and/or banks, trust companies or savings and loan associations located within the state of Kansas, upon unencumbered real property and appurtenances thereto: Provided, That at the date of acquisition the total indebtedness assumed by such lien should not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) eighty percent (80%) of the market value of the property upon which it is a lien, unless that portion of the total indebtedness in excess of seventy-five-percent (75%) eighty percent (80%) of market value is insured by a mortgage insurance company authorized by the commissioner of insurance to do business in this state.

(g) First mortgage or deeds of trust upon improved real property to be occupied as a personal residence by an officer of the insurer, if said mortgage is at an interest rate that is reasonably competitive with that charged by the other lending institutions in the community. Mortgages or deeds of trust entered into pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the conditions set forth in subsection (a) of this section relating to mortgages or deeds of trust generally.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 40-2b10 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b10. No life insurance company organized under the laws of this state shall purchase, hold or convey real estate, excepting for the purposes and in the manner herein set forth:

(a) Such as shall be requisite for its convenient present and future accommodation in the transaction of its business. In the erection or purchase of any buildings for such purpose, additional space may be included for home office rental income;

(b) such as shall have been mortgaged to it in good faith, by way of security for loans previously contracted or for money due;

(c) such as shall have been conveyed to it in satisfaction of debts previously contracted in their legitimate business, or for money due;

(d) such as shall have been purchased at sales upon judgments, decrees or mortgages obtained or made for such debts; or

(e) such as shall have been acquired for development or income purposes.

It shall not be lawful for any such company to purchase, hold or convey real estate in any other case or for any other purpose, except nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit any such company for purchasing the principal residence owned and inhabited by an employee or prospective employee who is being transferred by the company to a different community; and all such real estate as may be acquired as aforesaid, and which shall not be necessary for the accommodation of such company in the transaction of its business, excepting real estate acquired for development or income purposes, shall be sold and disposed of within five years after such company shall have acquired title thereto, unless the company shall procure a certificate from the commissioner of insurance that the interests of the company will suffer materially by a forced sale thereof in which event the sale may be postponed for such period as the commissioner of insurance shall direct in such certificate. If the company so elects, real estate other than farm properties, which has been acquired under subsections (c) and (d) of this section may be held by it for income purposes . if its value-together-with that of-all-other-real estate-owned by the company at the time-ofsuch-election-does The company's aggregate investment in real estate as herein provided shall not exceed 10% 20% of the admitted assets of the company, as shown by its last annual report as filed with the state commissioner of insurance.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 40-2b13 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b13. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in investments whether or not qualified and permitted under this act and notwithstanding any conditions or limitations prescribed therein, except those which require that a corporation be solvent and not have defaulted with respect to the payment of principal or interest, and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 17-3004, in an aggregate amount not more than five-percent (5%) ten percent (10%) of its admitted assets as shown by the company's last annual report as filed with the state insurance commissioner.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 40-2b20 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b20. (a) Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors and approval of the commissioner of insurance, may designate a state or national bank, having trust powers, and having-its-principal-place of business in-this-state, as trustee to make any investment authorized by this act in the name of the trustee or nominee as a trustee or nominee.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 40-2a08 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2a08. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in the

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common stock of any corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America, or of any state, district, insular or territorial possession thereof; or of the Dominion of Canada or any province thereof; or of any other country or subdivision thereof; and the shares of a management type of investment company or investment-trust-registered-with-the-securities-and-exchange-commission-under-the investment-company-act-of-1940, as amended. Such insurance company may write exchange traded, covered call options on shares it owns and may purchase call options for the sole purpose of closing out a position taken previously with respect to one or more options having been written. The purchase of a call option for any reason other than as a closing transaction and the writing of naked (uncovered) call options are hereby prohibited. Investments in common stocks and the writing of call options shall be further limited as follows:

(a) The obligations and preferred stock, if any, shown on the last published annual statement of such corporation must be eligible for investment under K.S.A. 40-2a05 or 40-2a07;

(b) cash dividends have been paid during each of the last three (3) years

preceding the date of acquisition;

(c) the stock is registered with a national securities exchange regulated under the securities exchange act of 1934, as amended, or is regularly traded on a national or regional basis, or-is-a-corporation-registered-and-operated-as-an-open-end-regulated investment-company-in-accordance-with-the-investment-company-act-of-1940,-as -amended;

(d) the company shall have earnings in three (3) of the last five (5) years

preceding the date of acquisition;

(e) investments in common stock in any one corporation shall at no time exceed two percent (2%) of the admitted assets of the investing insurance company, and at no time shall an insurance company purchase more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of stock of any one given corporation;

(f) -investments-in-shares-of-a-management-type-of-investment-company-or registered investment-trust-as-described above, shall-have assets of not-less-than twenty—five -million dollars-(\$25,000,000) at-the date-of-purchase, and subsections-(a),

(b), (c), (d) and (e) of this section need not apply;

(f) the amount invested under this section, including the amount invested under K.S.A. 40-2a07, excluding stock of any insurance company qualified under K.S.A. 40-2a09, shall not exceed the excess of surplus as regards policyholders over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000);

(h) (g) stock owned by an insurance company that is obligated under an unexpired written call option shall be valued at the lesser of the striking price or current market value. For the purposes of this subsection, "striking price" means the price per share, exclusive of selling costs, the company would receive should the call option be

exercised by the holder.

New Sec. 8. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in the purchase of fixed wing aircraft, electric or mechanical machines constituting a word processing system, motor vehicles, and personal property used as a substitute for or in lieu of improvements upon real property such as detached modular partition systems, and thereafter may hold such assets as admitted assets for use in connection with the business of the company if, (1) the asset or asset system shall have a cost of not less than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and such assets aggregate shall not, irrespective of K.S.A. 40-2b13, exceed five percent (5%) of the admitted assets of the company; (2) the cost of each asset or system shall be fully amortized over a reasonable period not to exceed ten (10) years. If an asset consists of separate but inter-dependent components each component shall be amortized over a reasonable period not to exceed ten (10) years commencing with the date of acquisition of each component. Personal property investments are not deemed eligible for deposit under K.S.A. 40-404 and shall not be included in the admitted assets for purposes of complying with minimum capital, surplus, or capital and surplus requirements applicable to issuance or continuation of a certificate of authority.

New Sec. 9. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in: (a) Stock in any insurance company, subsection (c) of K.S.A. 40-2b07 notwithstanding. Before more than 5% of the outstanding shares of stock of any insurance company is acquired, or a tender offer made thereof, prior written approval

of the commissioner of insurance must be secured;

 (b) stock in an incorporated insurance agency: (1) If 5% or less of the outstanding shares of such incorporated agency is acquired, the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2b07 shall apply; (2) if more than 5% of the outstanding shares of such incorporated agency is acquired, or a tender offer is made therefor, the prior approval of the commissioner of insurance shall be required and the provisions of subsection (d) of K.S.A. 40-2b07 shall apply. Invaluing the stock of the agency, the assets of the agency shall be valued as if held directly by an insurance company; and (3) if majority interest in an incorporated insurance agency results from the organization of an agency by the insurance company to which this act applies, such investments shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2b13 until it has produced earnings for three out of five consecutive years. Such stock shall not be eligible for deposit with the commissioner of insurance as part of the legal reserve of such insurance company;

(c) stock in a holding corporation: (1) If 5% or less of the outstanding shares of stock of such holding corporation is acquired, the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2b07 shall apply; (2) if at least 75% of the holding corporation's voting stock is acquired, the prior approval of the commissioner of insurance shall be required and the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2b07 shall not apply. No insurer may purchase in excess of 5% of the outstanding voting stock of a holding corporation unless such insurer acquires at least 75% of such stock. The commissioner of insurance may direct an insurer to divest of its ownership in a holding corporation acquired pursuant to this subsection if it appears to the commissioner that the continued ownership or operation of the holding corporation is not in the best interest of the policyholders, or if the insurer's ownership in the holding corporation is less than 75% of the outstanding voting stock of the holding corporation. A holding corporation acquired pursuant to this subsection shall not acquire any investment not permitted for life insurance companies pursuant to

article 2b of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. In valuing the stock of any holding corporation acquired under this subsection in the annual financial statement of the insurer, value shall be assigned to the holding corporation's assets as though the assets were owned directly by the insurer. A percentage of the holding corporation's assets exactly equal to the insurer's ownership interest in the holding corporation will be added to the assets of the insurer in application of the insurer's investment limitations set forth in article 2b of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.

Stock in a holding corporation acquired under this subsection shall not be eligible for deposit with the commissioner of insurance as part of the legal reserves of such insurer.

New Sec. 10. Any life insurance company heretofore or hereafter organized under any laws of this state may invest, in addition to any other investments permitted by this act, by laws or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in shares of a corporation registered and operated as an open-end regulated investment company in accordance with the investment company act of 1940, as amended. Investments under this section shall be further limited as follows: (a) The insurance company's aggregate investment under this provision shall not exceed 10% of its admitted assets as shown by the company's last annual report as filed with the state commissioner of insurance.

(b) The investment company in which the insurance company acquires shares shall have assets of not less than \$25,000,000 at the date of purchase.

(c) The insurance company shall not acquire more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any one investment company.

(d) Investments in the shares of any one investment company shall not exceed 2% of the admitted assets of the insurance company as shown by the company's last annual report as filed with the state commissioner of insurance (determined on the basis of the cost of such shares to the insurance company at time of purchase).

New Sec. 11. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any laws of this state may invest, in addition to any other investments permitted by this act, by laws or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in shares of a corporation registered and operated on an open-end regulated investment company in accordance with the investment company act of 1940, as amended. Investments under this section shall be further limited as follows:

(a) The insurance company's aggregate investment under this provision shall not exceed 10% of its admitted assets as shown by the company's last annual report as filed with the state commissioner of insurance.

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(b) The investment company in which the insurance company acquires shares shall have assets of not less than \$25,000,000 at the date of purchase.

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Sec. 12. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-2a09 is hereby amended as follows: 40-2a09. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in: (a) Stock in any insurance company, subsection (e) of K.S.A. 40-2a08 notwithstanding. Before more than 5% of the outstanding shares of stock of any insurance company is acquired, or a tender offer made therefor, prior written approval of the commissioner of insurance must be secured;

(b) stock in an incorporated insurance agency: (1) If 5% or less of the outstanding shares of stock of such agency is acquired, the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2a08 shall apply; (2) if more than 5% of the outstanding shares of such incorporated agency is acquired, or a tender offer is made therefor, the prior approval of the commissioner of insurance shall be required and the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2a08(d) shall apply and such stock in valuing the stock of the agency, the assets of the agency shall be valued as if held directly by an insurance company; and (3) if majority interest in an incorporated insurance agency results from the organization of an agency by the insurance company to which this act applies, such investments shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2a16 until it has produced earnings for three out of five consecutive years. Such stock shall not be eligible for deposit with the commissioner of insurance as part of the legal reserve of such insurance company;

(c) stock in a holding corporation: (1) If 5% or less of the outstanding shares of stock of such holding corporation is acquired, the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2a08 shall

(2) if at least 75% of the holding corporation's voting stock is acquired, the prior approval of the commissioner shall be required and the provisions of K.S.A. 40-2a08 shall not apply. No insurer may purchase in excess of 5% of the outstanding voting stock of a holding corporation unless such insurer acquires at least 75% of such stock. The commissioner may direct an insurer to divest of its ownership in a holding corporation acquired pursuant to this subsection if it appears to the commissioner that the continued ownership or operation of the holding corporation is not in the best interest of the policyholders, or if the insurer's ownership in the holding corporation is less than 75% of the outstanding voting stock of the holding corporation. A holding corporation acquired pursuant to this subsection shall not acquire any investment not permitted for insurance companies other than life pursuant to article 2a of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. In valuing the stock of any holding corporation acquired under this subsection in the annual financial statement of the insurer, value shall be assigned to the holding corporation's assets as though the assets were owned directly by the insurer. A percentage of the holding corporation's assets exactly equal to the insurer's ownership interest in the holding corporation will be added to the assets of the insurer in application of the insurer's investment limitations set forth in article 2a of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. Stock in a holding corporation acquired under this subsection shall not be eligible for deposit with the commissioner of insurance as part of the legal reserves of such insurer.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 40-2a12 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2a12. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in:

(a) Bonds, notes, obligations or other evidences of indebtedness secured by mortgages or deeds of trust which are a first lien upon unencumbered real property and appurtenances thereto within the United States of America or any insular or territorial possession of the United States of America or any insular or territorial possession of the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, and upon lease-hold estates in real property wherein the term of such including any options to extend is not less than fifteen (15) years beyond the maturity of the loan as made or extended: Provided, That At the date of acquisition the total indebtedness secured by such lien shall not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) eighty percent (80%) of the market value of the property upon which it is a lien. These limitations shall not apply to obligations described in subsections (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this section: Provided further, That for

the purpose of this section a mortgage or deed of trust shall not be deemed to be other than a first lien upon property within the meaning of this section by reason of the existence of taxes or assessments against real property and appurtenances thereto that are not delinquent, instruments creating or reserving mineral, oil or timber rights, rights-of-way, joint driveways, sewer rights, rights in walls or by reason of building restrictions or other like restrictive covenants, or when such real estate is subject to lease in whole or in part whereby rents or profits are reserved to the owner or when there is in existence a fixed obligation or lien against the property where an escrow account or indemnification bond is or has been established or obtained sufficient to cover the maximum liability created by such obligation or lien;

(b) bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness representing loans and advances of credit that have been issued, guaranteed or insured by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof: Provided, That Any uninsured or nonguaranteed portion shall not exceed seventy-five-percent (75%) eighty percent

(80%) of the total amount;

(c) contracts of sale, purchase money mortgages or deeds of trust secured by property obtained through foreclosure, or in settlement or satisfaction of any indebtedness:

- (d) bonds, notes, obligations or other evidences of indebtedness secured by mortgages or deeds of trust which are a first lien upon unencumbered personal and real property, including a leasehold of real estate, under lease, purchase contract, or lease purchase contract to any governmental body or instrumentality whose obligations qualify under K.S.A. 40-2a01, 40-2a02 or 40-2a03 or to a corporation whose obligations qualify under K.S.A. 40-2a05: Provided, If there is adequate rental, after making allowances of lessors' or sellers' obligations and liabilities, if any, under the terms of said lease or contract, to retire the loan as to payment of principal and interest and Provided-further, That-the such rentals are pledged or assigned to the lender;
- (e) bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness representing loans and advances of credit that have been issued, guaranteed or insured, in accordance with the terms and provisions of an act of the federal parliament of the Dominion of Canada approved March 18, 1954, cited as the "national housing act, 1954," as heretofore and hereafter amended.
- (f) First mortgage or deeds of trust upon improved real property to be occupied as a personal residence by an officer of the insurer, if said mortgage is at an interest rate that is reasonably competitive with that charged by the other lending institutions in the community. Mortgages or deeds of trust entered into pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the conditions set forth in subsection (a) of this section relating to mortgages or deeds of trust generally.
- Sec. 14. K.S.A. 40-2a13 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2a13. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in real estate only if acquired or used for the following purposes and in the following manner:
- (a) Such as shall be requisite for its convenient present and reasonable future accommodations in the transaction of its business. In the erection or purchase of any buildings for such purpose, additional space may be included for home office rental income; or
- (b) such as shall have been mortgaged to it in good faith, by way of security for loans previously contracted or for money due; or
- (c) such as shall have been conveyed to it in satisfaction of debts previously contracted in their legitimate business, or for money due; or
- (d) such as shall have been purchased at sales upon judgments, decrees or mortgages obtained or made for such debts.

(e) such as shall have been acquired for development or income purposes.

It shall not be lawful for any such company to purchase, hold or convey real estate in any other case or for any other purpose; and all such real estate as may be acquired as aforesaid, and which shall not be necessary for the accommodation of such company in the transaction of its business, excepting real estate acquired for development or income purposes, shall be sold and disposed of within five (5) years after such company shall have acquired title thereto, unless the company shall procure a certificate from the commissioner of insurance that the interest of the company will suffer materially by a forced sale thereof, in which event the sale may be postponed for such period as the commissioner of insurance shall direct in said certificate. If the company so elects, real estate other than farm properties, which has been acquired

under subsections (c) and (d) of this section may be held by it for income purposes. Provided, That-its-value-together-with-that-of-all-other-real-estate-owned-by-said company at-the time-of-such-election-does-The company's aggregate investment in real estate as herein provided shall not exceed ten-percent-(10%) twenty percent (20% of the admitted assets of said company as shown by its last annual report as filed with the state commissioner of insurance.

Amy fire or casualty insurance company incorporated under the laws of this state owning real-estate which has been acquired as a result of mortgage leans thereon by said company, whether by reason of foreclosure proceedings or by direct transfer from the mortgager or which owns a certificate of purchase issued in any foreclosure proceedings on real estate in Kansas, may carry such real estate, or certificate, as part of its legal reserve: Provided, That the title to any building used as the home office and/or general office of a company shall not be deposited as part of the legal reserve:

Such-real-estate-shall-first-be-appraised, at-the-expense-of-such-company, by three (3) disinterested resident-freeholders-of-the-county-where-the-land-is-situated, authorized-by-the-commissioner-of-insurance-to-make-such-appraisement,-which appraisement shall-be-final, and the value of such real estate for the purpose of such reserves-shall-be-the-amount-whon-by-such-appraisal,-not-exceeding-the-amount-of unpaid balance of the face amount of the mortgage loan from which such real estate was-acquired - Provided, however, That at-no-time shall the total amount of such real estate and/or certificate of-purchase exceed fity-percent-(50%) of the total amount of the-gross-reserve-on-all-outstanding-policies-of-the-company,-and-reserves not-to exceed-ten-percent-(10%)-of-such-gross-reserve-may-be-on-real-estate- and/or certificates- of-purchase-on-real -estate-outside-of-Kansas. -- The-commissioner- of insurance-shall have the right to-reject-at-any time and-return-any property-upon which taxes are-delinquent, or fire insurance premiums unpaid. Deeds to such real estate and assignments of such certificates shall be executed by such company, conveying or assigning - the -title -thereto- to - the - then - commissioner - of -insurance - of - the - state- of Kansas-and his successors in office, in trust for the use-and benefit of such-company, and-such-deeds-and-such-assignment-shall be recorded-in-the-office-of-the-register-of deeds of the county-in-which such real-estate-is-situated.

Whenever-the-redemption-period-on-any-certificate-signed-to-the-commissioner shall-have expired the sheriff-of-the-county-in-which-such-land-is-situated-shall issue a deed-to-said-property-to-the-commissioner-of-insurance-and-his-successors-in-office-in trust-for-the-use-and-benefit of-such-company, and such-deed-shall be-recorded-and-hold in-lieu-of-said-certificate--When-any-company-desires-to-withdraw-such-real-estate from-its-reserves, the-then-commissioner-of-insurance-shall, upon-request, execute deeds-to-such-person-or-persons, company-or-corporation, as-such-insurance-company shall-direct--Said-appraisers-shall-each-be-allowed-not-to-exceed-the-sum-of-twenty-five-dollars-(\$25) per-day-in-full-for-all-services-rendered-except-that-the-commissioner of-insurance-may-appraise-real-estate-outside-of-Kansas-at-the-expense-of-the-company-in-such-manner-as-he-may-determine, and-may-reappraise-all-real-estate-once-in-every-five-(5)-years.

Section 15. K.S.A. 40-2a16 is hereby amended as follows: 40-2a16. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, any of its funds, or any part thereof in investments whether or not qualified and permitted under this act and notwithstanding any conditions or limitations prescribed therein, except that investments shall not be permitted in insolvent organizations or organizations in default with respect to the payment of principal or interest, and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 17-3004, in an aggregate amount not more than five percent (5%) ten percent (10%) of its admitted assets as shown by the company's last annual report as filed with the commissioner of insurance.

New Sec. 16. Any insurance company other than life heretofore or hereafter organized under any law of this state may invest by loans or otherwise, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors or authorized committee thereof, and of its funds, or any part thereof in the purchase of fixed wing aircraft, electric or mechanical machines constituting a word processing system, motor vehicles, and personal property used as a substitute for or in lieu of improvements upon real property such as detached modular systems, and thereafter may hold such assets as admitted assets for use in connection with the business of the company if, (1) the assets or asset system shall have a cost of not less than two thousand five hundred

dollars (\$2,500) and such assets aggregate shall not, irrespective of K.S.A. 40-2a16 exceed five percent (5%) of the admitted assets of the company; (2) the cost of each asset or system shall be fully amortized over a reasonable period not to exceed ten (10) years. If an asset consists of separate but inter-dependent components each component shall be amortized over a reasonable period not to exceed ten (10) years commencing with the date of acquisition of each component. Personal property investments are not deemed eligible for deposit and shall not be included in the admitted assets for purposes of complying with minimum capital, surplus, or capital and surplus requirements applicable to issuance or continuation of a certificate of authority.

Sec. 17. K.S.A. 40-2b06, 40-2b07, 40-2b09, 40-2b10, 40-2b13, 40-2b20, 40-2a08, 40-2a12, 40-2a13 and 40-2a16 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 18. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 8 is a model act of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. The NAIC model act and consequently the Kansas proposal is designed to address a serious problem that has arisen as a result of a federal preemption of state insurance regulation contained in the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). In essence, this federal act provides that no state law shall apply to employee welfare plans that qualify under the provisions of the ERISA act. Unfortunately, this opened the door for opportunists, particularly with respect to health insurance, whereby entrepreneurs would put together a plan; pay no attention to state laws because they would claim to be exempt under ERISA; proceed to sell health insurance to unsuspecting groups of persons; and, too many times it has been discovered that no one is around or no money is available when the time arrives for payment of claims.

This proposal represents one of a series of steps that are being taken at both the state and federal levels to gain control of a bad situation. This proposal would give the commissioner authority to determine whether a particular firm or plan was qualified under ERISA or subject to jurisdiction of another state or state agency. If not, the firm or plan would be subject to the laws of Kansas.

The Senate Commercial and Financial Institutions Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 8

AN ACT relating to insurance; health care benefits; jurisdiction; evidence required; disclosure.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as provided herein, any person or other entity which provides coverage in this state for medical, surgical, chiropractic, physical therapy, speech pathology, audiology, professional mental health, dental, hospital, or optometric expenses, whether such coverage is by direct payment, reimbursement, or otherwise, shall be presumed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioner of insurance unless the person or other entity conclusively shows that while providing such services it is subject to the jurisdiction of another agency of this or another state, any subdivisions thereof, or the federal government.

Sec. 2. A person or entity may show that it is subject to the jurisdiction of another agency of this or another state, any subdivision thereof, or the federal government by providing to the commissioner the appropriate certificate, license or other document issued by the other governmental agency which permits or qualifies it to provide those services.

Sec. 3. Any person or entity unable to show under section 2 of this act that it is subject to the jurisdiction of another agency of this or another state, any subdivision thereof, or the federal government shall submit to an examination by the insurance commissioner to determine the organization and solvency of the person or the entity, and to determine whether or not such person or entity complies with the applicable provisions of this code.

Sec. 4. Any person or entity unable to show that it is subject to the jurisdiction of another agency of this or another state, any subdivision thereof, or the federal government, shall be subject to all appropriate provisions of this code regarding the conduct of its business.

Sec. 5. Any production agency or administrator which advertises, sells, transacts, or administers coverage in this state described in section 1 of this act which is provided by any person or entity described in section 3 of this act shall, if that coverage is not fully insured or otherwise fully covered by an admitted insurer or other entity licensed to transact an insurance business in this state advise any purchaser, prospective purchaser, and covered person of such lack of insurance or other coverage.

Any administrator which advertises or administers coverage in this state, described in section 1 of this act which is provided by any person or entity described in section 3 of this act shall advise any production agency of the elements of the coverage including the amount of "stop-loss" insurance in effect.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 9 will, if enacted, provide persons from circumventing the effects of having their agents licenses suspended or revoked by entering into some type of contractual or employment arrangement. Current Kansas law provides that agents licensing laws do not apply to traveling representatives. In the past, some contractual or employment arrangement has been made in order that persons whose license has been suspended or revoked can qualify as a salaried traveling representative. As a result, there have been instances where persons have had their agents license suspended or revoked and they have continued to transact business. Legislative Proposal No. 9 is intended to prevent this kind of activity.

The Senate Commercial and Financial Institutions Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-242 is hereby amended to read as follows: K.S.A. 40-242. (a) The commissioner of insurance may revoke or suspend the license of any broker or agent in the event that investigation by the commissioner discloses the fact that such license was obtained by fraud or misrepresentations or that the holder of such license had misrepresented the provisions, terms and conditions contained in any contract of insurance or that the holder of such license has rebated the whole or any part of any insurance premium or offered in connection with the presentation of a contract of insurance any other inducement not contained in the contract of insurance, or that the holder of such license has intentionally omitted any material fact in such presentation, or that the holder of such license has made any misleading representations or incomplete comparisons of policies to any person for the purposes of inducing or tending to induce such persons to lapse, forfeit or surrender his insurance then in force, or in the event that the interests of the insurer or the insurable interests of the

public are not properly served under said license.

(b) The commissioner of insurance, before revoking or suspending any license, shall give to the broker or agent, and the company or companies represented by him or her, reasonable notice of a hearing to be held by the commissioner of insurance, at which hearing such broker or agent and the company or companies represented by him or her shall be given full opportunity to present such evidence as they deem pertinent to the issue involved. The commissioner, upon such hearing, may administer oaths, examine and cross-examine witnesses, receive oral and documentary evidence, and shall have the power to subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, and require the production of books, papers, records, correspondence, or other documents relevant to the inquiry and in case of a refusal of any person to comply with any subpoena issued hereunder or to testify with respect to any matter concerning which he may be lawfully interrogated, the district court of Shawnee county or the county where such party resides, on the application of the commissioner, may issue an order requiring such person to comply with such subpoena and to testify; and any failure to obey any such order of the court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. Service of a subpoena upon a person named therein shall be made by delivering a copy thereof to such person and by tendering to such person the fees for one day's attendance and the mileage provided by law. The commissioner shall present the proper voucher for such sums as shall be required to make the service of subpoenas as herein provided and the proper official shall thereupon issue warrants in the amounts necessary. Statements of charges, notices, orders, and other processes of the commissioner, under this act may be served by anyone duly authorized by the commissioner, either in the manner provided by law for service of process in civil actions, or by registering and mailing a copy thereof to the person affected by such statement, notice, order, or other process at his or its residence or principal office or place of business. The verified return by the person so serving such statement, notice, order, or other process, setting forth the manner of such service, shall be proof of the same, and the return postcard receipt for such statement, notice, order or other process, registered and mailed as aforesaid, shall be proof of the service of the same.

(c) Nothing contained in this act shall require the observance at any such hearing

of formal rules of pleading or evidence.

(d) The lapse or suspension of any license by operation of law, by failure to renew or by its voluntary surrender shall not deprive the commissioner of jurisdiction or right to institute or proceed with any disciplinary proceeding against such licensee, to render a decision suspending or revoking such license, or to establish and make a record of the facts of any violation of law for any lawful purpose. No such disciplinary proceedings shall be instituted against any licensee after the expiration of two (2) years from the termination of such license.

(e) No person whose license as an agent or broker has been suspended or revoked shall be employed by any insurance company doing business in this state either directly, indirectly, as an independent contractor or otherwise to negotiate or effect contracts of insurance, suretyship or indemnity or do any act toward soliciting or otherwise transacting the business of insurance during the period of such suspension or revocation.

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Legislative Proposal No. 10 is an amendment to the laws governing insurance holding companies. The amendment specifically would remove the provisions which provide that the commissioner may disapprove a merger or other acquisition under the holding company act if approval thereof would adversely affect the interest of securityholders. This is an amendment adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners which the Kansas law is patterned after and arises from constitutional questions which have been raised in various jurisdictions including the United States Supreme Court.

The Senate Commercial and Financial Institutions Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-3304 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3304. (a) No person other than the issuer shall make a tender offer for or a request or invitation for tenders of, or enter into any agreement to exchange securities for, seek to acquire, or acquire, in the open market or otherwise, any voting security of a domestic insurer if, after the consummation thereof, such person would, directly or indirectly (or by conversion or by exercise of any right to acquire) be in control of such insurer, and no person shall enter into an agreement to merge with or otherwise to acquire control of a domestic insurer unless, at the time any such offer, request, or invitation is made or any such agreement is entered into, or prior to the acquisition of such securities if no offer or agreement is involved, such person has filed with the commissioner of insurance and has sent to such insurer, and such insurer has sent to its shareholders, a statement containing the information required by this section and such offer, request, invitation, agreement or acquisition has been approved by the commissioner of insurance in the manner hereinafter prescribed. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the merger or consolidation of those companies subject to the requirements of K.S.A. 40-507 and 40-1216 to 40-1225, inclusive.

- (1) For the purposes of this section a domestic insurer shall include any other person controlling a domestic insurer unless such other person is either directly or through its affiliates primarily engaged in business other than the business of insurance.
- (b) The statement to be filed with the commissioner of insurance hereunder shall be made under oath or affirmation and shall contain the following information:
- (1) The name and address of each person by whom or on whose behalf the merger or other acquisition of control referred to in subsection (a) of this section is to be affected (hereinafter called "acquiring party"), and (A) if such person is an individual, such individual's principal occupation and all offices and positions held during the past five (5) years, and any conviction of crimes other than minor traffic violations during the past ten (10) years; (B) if such person is not an individual, a report of the nature of its business operations during the past five (5) years or for such lesser period as such person and any predecessors thereof shall have been in existence; an informative description of the business intended to be done by such person and such person's subsidiaries; and a list of all individuals who are or who have been selected to become directors or executive officers of such person, or who perform or will perform functions appropriate to such positions. Such list shall include for each such individual the information required by paragraph (A) of this subsection.
- (2) The source, nature and amount of the consideration used or to be used in effecting the merger or other acquisition of control, a description of any transaction wherein funds were or are to be obtained for any such purpose, and the identity of persons furnishing such consideration, except that where a source of such consideration is a loan made in the lender's ordinary course of business, the identity of the lender shall remain confidential, if the person filing such statement so requests.
- (3) Fully audited financial information as to the earnings and financial condition of each acquiring party for the preceding five (5) fiscal years of each such acquiring party (or for such lesser period as such acquiring party and any predecessors thereof shall have been in existence), and similar unaudited information as of a date not earlier than ninety (90) days prior to the filing of the statement.
- (4) Any plans or proposals which each acquiring party may have to liquidate such insurer, to sell its assets or merge or consolidate it with any person, or to make any other material change in its business or corporate structure or management.
- (5) The number of shares of any security referred to in subsection (a) of this section which each acquiring party proposes to acquire, and the terms of the offer, request, invitation, agreement, or acquisition referred to in subsection (a) of this section, and a statement as to the method by which the fairness of the proposal was arrived at.
- (6) The amount of each class of any security referred to in subsection (a) of this section which is beneficially owned or concerning which there is a right to acquire beneficial ownership by each acquiring party.
- (7) A full description of any contracts, arrangements or understandings with respect to any security referred to in subsection (a) of this section in which any acquiring party is involved, including but not limited to transfer of any of the

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securities, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of loans, guarantees against loss or guarantees of profits, division of losses or profits, or the giving or withholding of proxies. Such description shall identify the persons with whom such contracts, arrangements or understandings have been entered into.

(8) A description of the purchase of any security referred to in subsection (a) of this section during the twelve (12) calendar months preceding the filing of the statement, by any acquiring party, including the dates of purchase, names of the

purchasers, and consideration paid or agreed to be paid therefor.

(9) A description of any recommendations to purchase any security referred to in subsection (a) of this section made during the twelve (12) calendar months preceding the filing of the statement, by any acquiring party, or by anyone based upon interviews or at the suggestion of such acquiring party.

(10) Copies of all tender offers for, requests or invitations for tenders of, exchange offers for, and agreements to acquire or exchange any securities referred to in subsection (a) of this section, and (if distributed) of additional soliciting material

relating thereto.

(11) The terms of any agreement, contract or understanding made with any broker-dealer as to solicitation of securities referred to in subsection (a) of this section for tender, and the amount of any fees, commissions or other compensation to be paid to broker-dealers with regard thereto.

(12) Such additional information as the commissioner of insurance may by rule or regulation prescribe as necessary or appropriate for the protection of policyholders and

securityholders of the insurer or in the public interest.

If the person required to file the statement referred to in subsection (a) of this section is a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate or other group, the commissioner of insurance may require that the information called for by paragraphs (1) through (12) of subsection (b) of this section shall be given with respect to each partner of such partnership or limited partnership, each member of such syndicate or group, and each person who controls such partner or member. If any such partner, member or person is a corporation or the person required to file the statement referred to in subsection (a) of this section is a corporation, the commissioner of insurance may require that the information called for by paragraphs (1) through (12) of subsection (b) of this section shall be given with respect to such corporation, each officer and director of such corporation, and each person who is directly or indirectly the beneficial owner of more than ten percent (10%) of the outstanding voting securities of such corporation.

If any material change occurs in the facts set forth in the statement filed with the commissioner of insurance and sent to such insurer pursuant to this section, and amendment setting forth such change, together with copies of all documents and other material relevant to such change, shall be filed with the commissioner of insurance and sent to such insurer within two (2) business days after the person learns of such change. Such insurer shall send such amendment to its shareholders.

(c) If any offer, request, invitation, agreement or acquisition referred to in subsection (a) of this section is proposed to be made by means of a registration statement under the securities act of 1933 or in circumstances requiring the disclosure of similar information under the securities exchange act of 1934, or under a state law requiring similar registration or disclosure, the person required to file the statement referred to in subsection (a) of this section may utilize such documents in furnishing the information called for by that statement.

(d) (1) The commissioner of insurance shall approve any merger or other acquisition of control referred to in subsection (a) of this section unless, after a public

hearing thereon, said commissioner finds that:

(A) after the change of control the domestic insurer referred to in subsection (a) of this section would not be able to satisfy the requirements for the issuance of a license to write the line or lines of insurance for which it is presently licensed;

(B) the effect of the merger or other acquisition of control would be substantially to lessen competition in insurance in this state or tend to create a

monopoly therein;

(C) the financial condition of any acquiring party is such as might jeopardize the financial stability of the insurer, or prejudice the interest of its policyholders of the interests- of-any-remaining-securityholders who-are-unaffiliated-with-such-acquiring

(D)-the-terms-of-the offer, request, invitation, agreement-or acquisition referred -to-in-subsection-(a)-of-this-section-are-unfair-and-unreasonable-to-the-securityholders-of--the-insurer;

 $\overline{(E)}$ $\underline{(D)}$ the plans or proposals which the acquiring party has to liquidate the insurer, sell its assets or consolidate or merge it with any person, or to make any other material change in its business or corporate structure or management, are unfair and unreasonable to policyholders of the insurer and not in the public interest; or

(F) (E) the competence, experience and integrity of those persons who would control the operation of the insurer are such that it would not be in the interest of policyholders of the insurer and of the public to permit the merger or other acquisition

of control.

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- (2) The public hearing referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of this section shall be held as soon as practical after the statement required by this subsection (a) of this section is filed, and at least twenty (20) days' notice thereof shall be given by the commissioner of insurance to the person filing the statement. Not less than seven (7) days' notice of such public hearing shall be given by the person filing the statement to the insurer and to such other persons as may be designated by the commissioner of insurance. The insurer shall give such notice to its securityholders. The commissioner of insurance shall issue an order after the conclusion of such hearing setting forth said commissioner's findings. At such hearing, the person filing the statement, the insurer, any person to whom notice of hearing was sent, and any other person whose interests may be affected thereby shall have the right to present evidence, examine and cross-examine witnesses, and offer oral and written arguments.
- (e) All statements, amendments, or other material filed pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section, and all notices of public hearings held pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, shall be mailed by the insurer to its shareholders within five (5) business days after the insurer has received such statements, amendments, other material, or notices. The expenses of mailing shall be borne by the person making the filing. As security for the payment of such expenses, such person shall file with the commissioner of insurance an acceptable bond or other deposit in an amount to be

determined by the commissioner of insurance.

(f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

(1) any offers, requests, invitations, agreements or acquisitions by the person referred to in subsection (a) of this section of any voting security referred to in subsection (a) of this section which, immediately prior to the consummation of such offer, request, invitation, agreement or acquisition, was not issued and outstanding;

(2) any offer, request, invitation, agreement or acquisition which the commissioner of insurance by order shall exempt therefrom as (A) not having been made or entered into for the purpose and not having the effect of changing or influencing the control of a domestic insurer, or (B) as otherwise not comprehended within the purposes of this section.

(g) The following shall be violations of this section:

(1) the failure to file any statement, amendment or other material required to be filed pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section; or

(2) the effectuation or any attempt to effectuate an acquisition of control of, or merger with, a domestic insurer unless the commissioner of insurance has given his or

her approval thereto.

(h) The courts of this state are hereby vested with jurisdiction over every security holder of a domestic insurer and every person not resident, domiciled, or authorized to do business in this state who files a statement with the commissioner of insurance under this section, and over all actions involving such person arising out of violations of this section, and each person shall be deemed to have performed acts equivalent to and constituting an appointment by such a person of the commissioner of insurance to be such person's true and lawful attorney upon whom may be served all lawful process in any action, suit or proceeding arising out of violations of this section. Copies of all such lawful process shall be served on the commissioner of insurance and transmitted by registered or certified mail by the commissioner of insurance to such person at such person's last known address.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-3304 is hereby repealed.

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

This legislative proposal is principally designed to address an administrative problem. Currently, the laws governing agents licensing provide that the fee charged for taking an examination an agents license is not refundable. Conversely, no such provision is contained in the law regarding the fee for the insurance company certification that is required before an agent can transact business. Although it is not required, many applicants send the certification fee with their fee for the examination. When this occurs and the applicant then fails the examination, considerable time and expense is involved in producing the voucher, obtaining the warrant, recording the transaction and performing all the other details involved in returning the certification fee. Enactment of this proposal would alleviate this problem yet applicants can also avoid the risk by simply delaying submission of the certification fee until they are qualified for a license.

The provision added regarding insurance on growing crops is merely a technical change designed to assure that Kansas agents will not be denied the opportunity to sell federal crop insurance because of a unique provision in Kansas laws.

Finally, new section 2 would permit the commissioner to establish fees for services performed for the individual benefit of the requesting agent or company. Such fees would be established by regulation so all of the safeguards against the establishment of unreasonable or unnecessary fees would be present.

The Senate Commercial and Financial Institutions Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 11

AN ACT relating to insurance; agents licensing; fees to be established; authority to adopt regulations; agents certification fees to be retained; equivalent of certification; amending K.S.A. 40-241i and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-241i is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-241i. Any company authorized to transact business in this state may, upon determining that the agent is of good business reputation and has had experience in insurance or will immediately receive a course of instruction in insurance and on the policies and policy forms of such company, certify such agent as the agent of the company under the license in effect for the agent. The certification shall be made to the commissioner on a form prescribed by him or her immediately upon appointment of the agent, shall be accompanied by the certification fees set forth in K.S.A. 40-252 and shall remain in effect until the first day of May unless the commissioner is notified to the contrary or the license of the certified agent is terminated. The certification fees shall not be returned for any reason.

With respect to insurance on growing crops, evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the agent is qualified to transact insurance in accordance with standards or procedures established by any branch of the federal government shall be deemed to be the equivalent of certification by a company.

New Sec. 2. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the commissioner may adopt regulations establishing reasonable fees necessary to accommodate the cost of issuing duplicate agents licenses, certifications of individual agent qualifications or credentials to other supervisory authorities, and similar functions performed by the commissioner for the benefit of insurance agents or companies or both.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-241i is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 12 amends the Kansas Health Care Provider Insurance Availability Act to maintain the financial integrity of the Health Care Stabilization Fund and to address some administrative matters.

This proposal seeks to amend subsection (b) of K.S.A. 40-3403 of the Health Care Provider Insurance Availability Act so as to allow for the reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the Commissioner in administering the Health Care Stabilization Fund to be paid from the Health Care Stabilization Fund. At the present time, these expenses are charged to the Kansas Insurance Department Budget, and eventually the State General Fund. The cost of those reasonable and necessary expenses is tentatively estimated to be approximately one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) and include the payment of approximately four salaried personnel and the incidental expenses of filing, mailing, computer time, etc., necessary to manage the Fund.

Subsection (c) is amended to authorize a payment by the Fund of more than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) per year by the Fund when a judgment is rendered against it is so large that ten percent (10%) of it is greater than the three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) figure. The basis for this proposal is to assure the Fund will be able to pay whatever judgments are rendered against it, thereby avoiding the dilemma of being unable to pay the judgment principal and post judgment interest of a large judgment.

Legislative Proposal No. 12 seeks to amend K.S.A. 40-3404(a) and (c) to eliminate the ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) balance of the Fund and add new subsection (c) to require a minimum annual surcharge on all health care providers.

Proposed subsection (c) will require the assessment of annual surcharges of forty-five percent (45%) on all health care providers complying with the Health Care Provider Insurance Availability Act for the first time and twenty-five percent (25%) thereafter. If the balance of the Fund is projected to fall below ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) during any fiscal year, the Commissioner would be authorized to assess surcharges in excess of those minimum prescribed amounts, not to exceed sixty-five percent (65%). This proposal would provide for the gradual growth of the balance of the Fund which is essential to assure solvency and avoid the imposition of assessment of an excessively large surcharge in any given year. The forty-five percent (45%) surcharge figure for first time compliers is based upon the surcharge figure imposed on health care providers at the initiation of the Act. The twenty-five percent (25%) figure reflects a modest annual surcharge to maintain a reasonably reliable flow of money into the Fund to help offset the increased obligations that have arisen and will probably continue to arise as the Fund continues to mature.

Finally, this proposal seeks to delete language of K.S.A. 40-3411 to limit a primary insurance carrier's right of settling claims under their one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) coverage and exposing the Fund to further liability. On occasion, plaintiffs have attempted to settle with primary carriers in amounts less than their limits on the condition that plaintiffs can then proceed against the Fund. Plaintiffs have argued that the language (to be deleted) authorizes such settlement by the primary carrier. It is the Fund's position that such a settlement violates the intent of the Kansas Health Care Provider Insurance Availability Act which requires the primary carrier to be responsible for the first one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of any claim or settlement. If plaintiffs are authorized to settle with the primary carrier on this basis, the primary carriers will, in essence, be providing funds to finance plaintiffs lawsuit against the Fund. This, in turn, exposes the Fund to greater liability. Further, the language seems to remove any motive for the primary carrier to observe its obligation to the Fund to attempt to settle the case within the primary insurer's policy limits.

The Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare will be requested to introduce this proposal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-3403 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3403. (a) For the purpose of paying damages for personal injury or death arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services by a health care provider, self-insurer or inactive health care provider subsequent to the time that such health care provider or self-insurer has qualified for coverage under the provisions of this act, there is hereby established the health care stabilization fund. The fund shall be held in trust in a segregated fund in the state treasury. The commissioner shall administer the fund or contract for the administration of the fund with an insurance

company authorized to do business in this state.

(b) Subject to subsection (e), the fund shall be liable to pay: (1) Any amount due from a judgment or settlement which is in excess of the basic coverage liability of all liable resident health care providers or resident self-insurers for any such injury or death arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services within or without this state; (2) any amount due from a judgment or settlement which is in excess of the basic coverage liability of all liable nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers for any such injury or death arising out of the rendering or the failure to render professional services within this state. In no event shall the fund be obligated for claims against nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers who have not complied with this act or for claims against nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers that arose outside of this state; (3) any amount due from a judgment or settlement against a resident inactive health care provider for any such injury or death; (4) any amount due from a judgment or settlement against a nonresident inactive health care provider for any injury or death arising out of the rendering or failure to render professional services within this state. In no event shall the fund be obligated for claims against: (A) Nonresident inactive health care providers who have not complied with this act; or (B) nonresident inactive health care providers for claims that arose outside of this state, unless such health care provider was a resident health care provider or resident self-insurer at the time such act occurred; (5) reasonable and necessary expenses for attorney's fees incurred in defending the fund against claims; (6) any amounts expended for reinsurance obtained to protect the best interests of the fund purchased by the committee on surety bonds and insurance pursuant to K.S.A. 1980 Supp. 75-4401; (7) reasonable and necessary actuarial expenses incurred in administering the act; and (8) annually to the plan or plans, any amount assessed or assessable from insurers under any plan or plans existing pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3413; and (9) reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the insurance department in the administration of the fund.

(c) All amounts for which the fund is liable pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) of subsection (b) of this section shall be paid promptly and in full if less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) or if three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) or more by installment payments of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) or 10% of the amount of the judgement whichever is greater per fiscal year, the first installment to be paid within sixty (60) days after the fund becomes liable and each subsequent installment to be paid annually on the same date of the year the first installment was paid, until the claim has been paid in full. Any attorney's fees payable from such

installment shall be similarly prorated.

(d) A health care provider shall be deemed to have qualified for coverage under the fund: (1) On and after the effective date of this act if basic coverage is then in effect; (2) subsequent to the effective date of this act, at such time as basic coverage becomes effective; or (3) upon qualifying as a self-insurer pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3414.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-3404 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3404. (a) The commissioner shall levy an annual premium surcharge on each health care provider who has obtained basic coverage and upon each self-insurer for each fiscal year. Such premium surcharge shall be an amount equal to a percentage of the annual premium paid by the health care provider for the basic coverage required to be maintained as a condition to coverage by the fund by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 40-3402. The annual premium surcharge upon each self-insurer shall be an amount equal to a percentage of

the amount such self-insurer would pay for the basic coverage as calculated in accordance with rating procedures approved by the commissioner pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3413. The commissioner shall determine the applicable percentage, of not less than twenty-five percent (25%) but not to exceed sixty-five percent (65%), to be used in computing the premium surcharge in each fiscal year. Such determination shall be based upon actuarial principles and calculated to accumulate approximately ten-million dollars (\$10,000,000) within a ten year period following the effective date of this act. Such premium surcharge shall not be less than forty percent (40%) of the annual basic coverage premium for any fiscal year until the fund-accumulates five million dollars (\$5,000,000).

(b) In the case of a resident health care provider who is not a self-insurer, the premium surcharge shall be collected in addition to the annual premium for the basic coverage by the insurer and shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-252, 40-1113 and 40-2801 et seq. The amount of the premium surcharge shall be shown separately on the policy or an endorsement thereto and shall be specifically identified as such. Such premium surcharge shall be due and payable by the insurer to the commissioner within thirty (30) days after the annual premium for the basic coverage is received by the insurer, but in the event basic coverage is in effect at the time this act becomes effective, such surcharge shall be based upon the unearned premium until policy expiration and annually thereafter. Within fifteen (15) days immediately following the effective date of this act, the commissioner shall send to each insurer information necessary for their compliance with this subsection. The certificate of authority of any insurer who fails to comply with the provisions of this subsection shall be suspended pursuant to K.S.A. 40-222 until such insurer shall pay the annual premium surcharge due and payable to the commissioner. In the case of a nonresident health care provider or a self-insurer, the premium surcharge shall be collected in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 40-3402.

(c)-If-the-fund-exceeds-the-sum-of-ten-million-dollars (\$10,000,000) at-the end-ofany-fiscal-year-after-the-payment-of-all-claims-and-expenses, the commissioner-shall-reduce-the-surcharge-in-order-to-maintain-the-fund-at-an-approximate-level-of-ten

million dollars (\$10,000,000).

(d) (c) Each health care provider initially complying with the basic coverage requirement of K.S.A. 40-3402 shall be subject to a minimum annual premium surcharge of twenty-five-percent-(25%) forty-five percent (45%), without-regard to-any annual-premium-surcharge-or-fund-limitations contained-in subsection (a) or-(c), and this minimum surcharge shall be applicable to only the first twelve-month period such health care provider complies with the basic coverage requirement. Thereafter, all health care providers shall be subjected to a minimum premium surcharge twenty-five percent (25%) each year the balance in the health care stabilization fund equals or exceeds ten million dollars (\$10,000,000). The provisions of this subsection (d) (c) shall be applicable to resident, nonresident and self-insured health care providers, and the minimum-surcharge-shall-be applicable-to-only the first-twelve-month period-such health care-provider-complies with the basic-coverage requirement.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-3411 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3411. (a) In any claim in which the insurer of a health care provider or inactive health care provider covered by the fund has agreed to settle its liability on a claim against its insured or when the self-insurer has agreed to settle liability on a claim and the claimant's demand is in an amount in excess of such settlement, to which the commissioner does not agree, or where the claim is against an inactive health care provider covered by the fund who does not have liability insurance in effect which is applicable to the claim and the claimant and commissioner cannot agree upon a settlement, an action must be commenced by the claimant against the health care provider or inactive health care provider in a court of appropriate jurisdiction for such damages as are reasonable in the premises. If an action is already pending against the health care provider or inactive health care provider, the pending action shall be conducted in all respects as if the insurer or self-insurer had not agreed to settle.

(b) Any such action against a health care provider covered by the fund or inactive health care provider covered by the fund who has liability insurance in effect which is applicable to the claim shall be defended by the insurer or self-insurer in all respects as if the insurer or self-insurer had not agreed to settle its liability. The insurer or self-insurer shall be reimbursed from the fund for the costs of such defense incurred after the settlement agreement was reached, including a reasonable attorney's fee; except-that-if-the-insurer-or-self-insurer-settles-the-claim-for-an amount-less-than-one-hundred-thousand-dollars (\$100,000); the-insurer-or-self-insurer-shall-be-responsible-for-all-defense-costs-until-the-insurer's-or-self-insurer's-total-combined payments equal-one hundred-thousand-dollars (\$100,000)-with-respect to-such claim, and neither the-health-care-provider, unless-such-provider-is-a-self-insurer; or-

 the fund-shall-be-obligated-to-pay-the-difference-between such settlement-and-one thundred-thousand-dollars-(\$100,000). The commissioner is authorized to employ independent counsel in any such action against a health care provider or an inactive health care provider covered by the fund.

(c) In any such action the health care provider or the inactive health care provider against whom claim is made shall be obligated to attend hearings and trials,

as necessary, and to give evidence.

(d) The costs of the action shall be assessed against the fund if the recovery is in excess of the amount offered by the commissioner to settle the case and against the claimant if the recovery is less than such amount.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-3403, 40-3404 and 40-3411 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act will take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 13 recommends the establishment of a State Health Care Commission to address the always increasing and already critical issue of health care costs. The commission envisioned by this proposal would not perform a regulatory function and would have no authority to do so. The commission would, however, be required to look at the causes of the health care cost problems in the broadest possible sense and would be statutorily unfettered with respect to the recommendations they propose to the Governor and the Legislature to alleviate what is an unbearable situation.

The proposal itself is relatively simple. It creates a health care commission, identifies its charge, provides a funding mechanism for its operation and imposes a deadline for completion of its work. But, despite this simplicity, the fact that the commission would be a statutory creature endowed with the necessary support facilities to carry-out its mission and given life by the Legislature with approval of the Governor gives it an authoritative presence that no voluntary ad hoc group could have. At the same time it avoids the inevitable controversy that would surround attempts to create some type of regulatory mechanism without credible, Kansas oriented, findings as to whether such a mechanism would be appropriate, how such a mechanism should be structured, some reasonable definition of the results that might be anticipated, and a thorough exploration of alternatives.

Health care costs have reached an intolerable magnitude. Something must be done and this proposal represents a reasonable, positive attempt to address the subject in a way that will generate productive results.

The Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 13

AN ACT relating to health care; establishing a state health care commission; purpose, funding; authority.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

- Section 1. (a) There is hereby created an independent state health care commission which is hereby directed to review, evaluate and develop appropriate recommendations to address the high cost of health care in Kansas. This shall include a study of (1) the medical necessity of health care services rendered to citizens of this state; (2) the quality of the health care services rendered in this state; (3) the reasonableness of the charges made for the rendering of such health care services either individually, collectively, or both; (4) the efficacy of existing laws and administrative implementation in providing public assurances that health care providers licensed or certified to render professional services in Kansas are adequately qualified and reasonably competent; (5) the need to implement statutory cost control measures with respect to the sale and purchase of prescription drugs and the purchase of medical equipment and supplies by health care providers or patients; and, (6) such other elements, systems, and procedures of the Kansas health care delivery system as the commission deems necessary.
- (b) The jurisdiction and powers of the commission shall specifically include authority to obtain any relevant information regarding the charges made and services performed by any person engaged directly or indirectly in the delivery of health care services in this state. The commission is also empowered to require the submission of reports and information which among other things is or may be relevant to establishing community guidelines designed to generate less costly delivery of adequate health care services.
- (c) The commission shall be comprised of eleven members including the Secretary of Health and Environment, the Commissioner of Insurance, the Secretary of Social and Rehabilitation Services and eight people appointed by the governor. Four of the appointed members shall have no connection with the management or policies of any health care facility or related institutions and at least two of the four shall represent consumer interests. One member shall represent health insurers, one shall represent both nonprofit service corporations and nonprofit hospital, medical, surgical plans, one shall represent the state hospital association, and one shall represent the state medical society. Of the initial appointees, two shall be appointed for four years, two for three years, two for two years and two for one year. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for terms of four years and no member shall be eligible for appointment to more than two consecutive terms.
- (d) The governor shall appoint a chairman and vice-chairman. Meetings shall be held as frequently as the commission's duties require. Six members shall constitute a quorum, but a vacancy in the commission membership does not impair its power to act. Action of the commission shall be effective as determined by a simple majority of six members. Members may receive compensation and reimbursement for expenses as provided for in the commission budget. The commission may apply for, receive and accept grants, gifts, payments and other funds, advances, appropriations, properties or services from the United States, the State of Kansas or any other governmental body, agency or agencies or from any other public or private corporation or person, and enter into agreements with respect thereto including the undertaking of studies, plans, demonstrations or projects. The commission shall annually prepare and submit a budget for the performance of its functions under this act to the governor for approval. Upon approval, the commission shall equitably assess the cost of the approved budget on health care facilities, physicians and other health care providers licensed to render services in this state.
- (e) The commission shall employ a staff, and may, irrespective of the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3738 to 75-3744 inclusive, enter into contracts with individuals or firms to perform any and all duties prescribed by the commission incident to carrying out the requirements of this act. The commission may appoint advisory committees composed of interested groups including representatives of consumers, health care providers and insurance carriers and shall coordinate its activities with other state or federal agencies to avoid a duplication of effort.

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Sec. 4. The provisions of this act shall expire as of the date the commission tenders its final report or December 31, 1986 whichever is later unless extended by a

specific act of the legislature.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

This proposal would authorize the commissioner to charge expenses incurred in administering the Workers' Compensation Fund to the fund itself as opposed to being paid from the insurance department's general fund appropriation.

The Workers' Compensation Fund is a statutory creature and serves as a source of revenue for payment of second injury claims, claims due employees of an insolvent self insurer and so forth. It is supported by a state general fund entitlement and assessments against insurance carriers and self-insurers who insure payment of compensation under the Kansas Workers' Compensation Act.

Since this is a special restricted fund designed to fulfill a separate, limited, function, Legislative Proposal No. 14 suggests that the fund itself should be responsible for all aspects of its operation including the cost of its administration. A preliminary estimate of the fiscal effect of this proposal indicates that it would reduce general revenue expenditures by approximately \$100,000.

The House Labor and Industry Committee will be requested to introduce this proposal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

 Section 1. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 44-566a is hereby amended to read as follows: 44-566a. (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the workers' compensation fund. The workmen's compensation fund created by this section is hereby abolished, and on July 1, 1982, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer all moneys in the workmen's compensation fund. All amounts which are required to be paid out of the workmen's compensation fund for liability arising from injuries occuring prior to July 1, 1982, whether reduced to award or not, shall be paid out of the workers' compensation fund. The commissioner of insurance shall be responsible for administering the workers' compensation fund, and all payments from the workers' compensation fund shall be upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the commissioner of insurance or a person or persons designated by the commissioner. The commissioner of insurance annually shall report to the governor and the legislature the receipts and disbursements from the workers' compensation fund during the preceding fiscal year.

- (b) (1) Each September the commissioner of insurance shall certify, with the commissioner's annual budget request, the amount of state general fund entitlement of the workers' compensation fund for the ensuing fiscal year. Such entitlement shall be equal to the sum of the amounts paid from the workers' compensation fund during the preceding fiscal year in payment of awards made to handicapped employees in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 44-569 and amendments thereto, including attorneys' fees, less the sum of the amounts deposited during the preceding fiscal year to the credit of the workers' compensation fund in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 44-570 and amendments thereto, except that no state general fund entitlement for a fiscal year shall be more than \$4,000,000. For the purpose of providing funds to meet and pay awards made to handicapped employees, within appropriations therefor, there shall be transferred not later than July 1 each year, or more frequently by appropriation acts of the legislature, from the state general fund to the workers' compensation fund, the amount certified by the commissioner of insurance to be the entitlement of the workers' compensation fund from the state general fund, or a part thereof followed by supplemental certifications to complete the entitlement for each such fiscal year, subject to the limitation of a total amount of \$4,000,000 for any such fiscal year.
- (2) On July I each year, the commissioner of insurance shall impose an assessment against all insurance carriers and self-insurers insuring the payment of compensation under the workmen's compensation act, the proceeds of which shall be credited to the workers' compensation fund. The total amount of each such assessment shall be equal to an amount sufficient, in the opinion of the commissioner of insurance, to pay all amounts, including attorneys' fees and costs, and reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the Insurance Department in the administration of the fund, which may be required to be paid from such fund during the current fiscal year, less amounts required to be transferred from the state general fund to the workers' compensation fund. The total amount of each such assessment shall be apportioned among those upon whom it is imposed, such that each is assessed an amount that bears the same relation to such total assessment as the amount of money paid or payable in workmen's compensation claims by such insurance carrier or self-insurer in the immediately preceding calendar year bears to all such claims paid or payable during such calendar year. Not later than September I each year, the commissioner of insurance shall notify all such insurance carriers and self-insurers of the amount of each assessment imposed under this subsection on such carrier or self-insurer, and the same shall be due and payable on the October I following.
- (3) The commissioner of insurance shall remit all moneys received by or for such commissioner under this subsection to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of any such remittance the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount thereof in the state treasury to the credit of the workers' compensation fund.

(c) Whenever the workers' compensation fund may be made liable for the payment of any amounts in proceedings under the workmen's compensation act, the commissioner of insurance, in the capacity of administrator of such fund, shall be impleaded in such proceedings and shall represent and defend the workers' compensation fund. The commissioner of insurance shall be deemed impleaded in any such proceedings whenever written notice of the proceedings setting forth the nature of the liability asserted against the workers' compensation fund, is given to the commissioner of insurance. The commissioner of insurance may be made a party in this manner by any party to the proceedings. A copy of the written notice shall be given to the director and to all other parties to the proceedings.

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The director or administrative law judge shall dismiss the workers' compensation fund from any proceeding where the director has determined that there is insufficient

evidence to indicate involvement by the workers' compensation fund.

- (d) The commissioner of insurance, in the capacity of administrator of the workers' compensation fund may make settlements of any amounts which may be payable from the workers' compensation fund with regard to any claim under the workmen's compensation act, subject to the approval of the director.
 - (e) The workers' compensation fund shall be liable for:
- (1) Payment of awards to handicapped employees in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 44-569 and amendments thereto;
- (2) payment of workmen's compensation benefits to an employee who is unable to receive such benefits from such employee's employer under the conditions prescribed by K.S.A. 44-532a and amendments thereto;
- (3) reimbursement of an employer or insurance carrier pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 44-534a and amendments thereto, subsection (d) of K.S.A. 44-556 and amendments thereto, subsection (c) of K.S.A. 44-569 and amendments thereto and K.S.A. 44-569a and amendments thereto; and
 - (4) any other payments or disbursements provided by law.
- (f) If it is determined that the workers' compensation fund is not liable as described in subsection (e) of this section, attorney's fees incurred by the workers' compensation fund may be assessed against the party who has impleaded the workers' compensation fund other than impleadings pursuant to K.S.A. 44-532a and amendments thereto.
- (g) The legislature shall provide for the implementation of the workers' compensation fund as provided in this section and shall be responsible for ensuring the fund's adequacy to meet and pay claims awarded against it.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 44-566a is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act will take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1983 and its publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 15 seeks to amend K.S.A. 60-471 to expand the collateral source rule exception to include evidence of reimbursement or indemnification that are receivable in the future. This bill was introduced in the 1981 Session as Senate Bill No. 333 but efforts for passage at that time were frustrated due to a preliminary finding of unconstitutionality by United States District Court Judge Theis. However, since that time the constitutionality has been upheld by United States District Court Judge Rogers.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 15

AN ACT relating to the admissibility of evidence of payments or services received by an injured party from sources collateral to the wrongdoers in certain professional liability actions; amending K.S.A. 60-471 and repealing the existing section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

- Section 1. K.S.A. 60-471 is hereby amended to read as follows: 60-471. (a) In any action for damages for personal injuries or death arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services by any health care provider, evidence of any reimbursement or indemnification received or receivable in the future by a party for damages sustained from such injury or death, excluding payments from insurance paid for in whole or in part by such party or his or her employer, and services provided by a health maintenance organization to treat any such injury, excluding services paid for in whole or in part by such party or his or her employer, shall be admissible for consideration by the trier of fact subject to the provisions of subsection (b). Such evidence shall be accorded such weight as the trier of fact shall choose to ascribe to that evidence in determining the amount of damages to be awarded to such party.
- (b) As a condition precedent to presenting evidence of reimbursement or indemnification received or receivable in the future by a party for damages sustained from such injury or death or services provided by a health maintenance organization, the party against whom claim is made in any such action shall make disclosure of such evidence at a pretrial conference on such action. Upon such disclosure, the claimant shall be allowed an opportunity to show that an obligation exists to reimburse the person making the initial reimbursement or indemnification or providing the services from any damages awarded in such action. The claimant shall specify in such showing the amount of any such obligation. Upon such showing by the claimant, the court shall include in its order that any evidence of such reimbursement or indemnification or the providing of such services, to the extent that the same is an obligation on the claimant, shall not be admissible into evidence at the trial of the action.
- (c) As used in this section: (1) "Health care provider" means a person licensed to practice the healing arts or engaged in a post-graduate training program approved by the state board of healing arts, a person who holds a temporary permit to practice any branch of the healing arts, licensed medical care facility, health maintenance organization, licensed dentist, licensed professional nurse, licensed practical nurse, licensed optometrist, registered podiatrist, registered pharmacist, professional corporation organized pursuant to the professional corporation law of Kansas by persons who are authorized by such law to form such a corporation and who are health care providers as defined by this subsection, registered physical therapist or an officer, employee or agent thereof acting in the course and scope of his or her employment or agency; and (2) "professional services" means those services which require licensure, registration or certification by agencies of the state for the performance thereof.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 60-471 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after publication in the statute book.

Legislative Proposal No. 18 amends K.S.A. 40-3403 of the Kansas Health Care Provider Insurance Availability Act to place a cap or limit of one million dollars on the liability of the Health Care Stabilization Fund arising from any one claim. The purpose of this proposal is to protect the long term solvency of the Fund by eliminating the possibility of settlements or judgments being rendered against it in intolerable amounts. While this proposal would have no immediate effect of saving the Fund a great deal of money because, to date, the Fund has never paid over a million dollars in any one claim, it would avoid the catastrophic effect of an astronomical judgment or settlement.

The Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare will be requested to introduce this proposal.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 18

AN ACT relating to insurance; health care provider insurance availability act; limitation on primary insurer's right of settlement; amending K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-3403 and repealing the existing sections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

Section 1. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-3403 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-3403. (a) For the purpose of paying damages for personal injury or death arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services by a health care provider, self-insurer or inactive health care provider subsequent to the time that such health care provider or self-insurer has qualified for coverage under the provisions of this act, there is hereby established the health care stabilization fund. The fund shall be held in trust in a segregated fund in the state treasury. The commissioner shall administer the fund or contract for the administration of the fund with an insurance company authorized to do business in this state.

(b) The fund shall be liable to pay: (1) Any amount due from a judgment or settlement which is in excess of the basic coverage liability of all liable resident health care providers or resident self-insurers for any such injury or death arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services within or without this state; (2) any amount due from a judgment or settlement which is in excess of the basic coverage liability of all liable nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers for any such injury or death arising out of the rendering or the failure to render professional services within this state. In no event shall the fund be obligated for claims against nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers who have not complied with this act or for claims against nonresident health care providers or nonresident self-insurers that arose outside of this state; (3) any amount due from a judgment or settlement against a resident inactive health care provider for any such injury or death; (4) any amount due from a judgment or settlement against a nonresident inactive health care provider for any injury or death arising out of the rendering or failure to render professional services within this state. In no event shall the fund be obligated for claims against: (A) Nonresident inactive health care providers who have not complied with this act; or (B) nonresident inactive health care providers for claims that arose outside of this state, unless such health care provider was a resident health care provider or resident self-insurer at the time such act occurred; (5) reasonable and necessary expenses for attorney's fees incurred in defending the fund against claims; (6) any amounts expended for reinsurance obtained to protect the best interests of the fund purchased by the committee on surety bonds and insurance pursuant to K.S.A. 1980 Supp. 75-4401; (7) reasonable and necessary actuarial expenses incurred in administering the act; and (8) annually to the plan or plans, any amount assessed or assessable from insurers under any plan or plans existing pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3413.

(c) All amounts for which the fund is liable pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) of subsection (b) of this section shall be paid promptly and in full if less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) or more by installment payments of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) per fiscal year, the first installment to be paid within sixty (60) days after the fund becomes liable and each subsequent installment to be paid annually on the same date of the year the first installment was paid, until the claim has been paid in full. Any attorney's fees payable from such installment shall be similarly prorated.

(d) A health care provider shall be deemed to have qualified for coverage under the fund: (1) On and after the effective date of this act if basic coverage is then in effect; (2) subsequent to the effective date of this act, at such time as basic coverage becomes effective; or (3) upon qualifying as a self-insurer pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3414.

(e) In no event shall the fund be liable pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) in an amount in excess of one million dollars for payment of any judgment or settlement arising under this act against any active or inactive health care provider in any one claim.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 40-3403 is hereby repealed.

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

Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co., 2 K.A.2d 253, 261, 577 P.2d 1202.

3. Tort of bad faith not recognized in Kansas. Spencer v. Aetna Life & Casualty Ins. Co., 227 K. 914, 923, 611 P.2d 149.

4. Applied in holding no recovery of attorney fees. Coe v. Security National Ins. Co., 228 K. 624, 631, 620

P.2d 1108.

5. In exercise of inherent powers, trial court did not abuse discretion in refusing deposition of out-of-state physician in action for overdue personal injury protection (PIP) benefits, attorney fees and interest. Wilson v. American Fidelity Ins. Co., 229 K. 416, 421, 625 P.2d 1117.

6. Where personal injury protection benefits properly denied and there is no obligation for payment of disability benefits, insurer not liable for attorney fees. Morgan v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co., 5 K.A.2d 135,

142, 143, 613 P.2d 684.

40-3112. Rehabilitation procedures or treatment and rehabilitative occupational training or retraining. Whenever an injured person claims entitlement to rehabilitation benefits, the insurer or self-insurer responsible for paying personal injury protection benefits to such injured person shall be responsible for rehabilitation procedures or treatment and rehabilitative occupational training or retraining for the injured person in accordance with the following standards:

(a) A procedure or treatment, whether or not involving surgery, shall be recognized

and medically accepted;

(b) A course of occupational training or retraining shall be a recognized form of training and be reasonable and appropriate for the particular case;

(c) A procedure, treatment or training shall contribute substantially to rehabilita-

tion; and

(d) The cost of a procedure, treatment or training shall be reasonable in relation to its probable rehabilitation effects.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 12; Feb. 22.

Source or prior law: L. 1973, ch. 198, § 12.

40-3113.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 13; Repealed, L. 1977, ch. 164, § 5; July 1.

Source or prior law: L. 1973, ch. 198, § 13.

Law Review and Bar Journal References:

Reason for repealing section cited in "Legislation 1977," David J. Heinemann, 46 J.B.A.K. 69, 78 (1977).

CASE ANNOTATIONS

1. History and content of section noted in holding no-fault insurance act constitutional. Manzanares v. Bell, 214 K. 589, 594, 522 P.2d 1291.

2. Section designed to prevent duplicative recovery;

not so vague as to render it mconstitutional. Manzanares v. Bell, 214 K. 589, 592, 594, 617, 522 P.2d 1291.

3. Provisions for reimbursement and indemnity do not apply to survivors' benefits under act. Farm & City Ins. Co. v. American Standard Ins. Co., 220 K. 325, 327, 328, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 552 P.2d 1363.

4. Insurer entitled to full reimbursement of personal injury protection benefits paid to insured without deduction of attorney fees or costs. Easom v. Farmers Insurance Co., 221 K. 415, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 424, 426, 428, 429, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 437, 438, 560 P.2d 117; Davis v. Western Insurance Companies, 221 K. 441, 443, 560 P.2d 133.

5. Construed; when law changed after policy purchased, new section controlled; right to setoff limited to duplicative benefit payments. Kaup v. Western Cas. &

Sur. Co., 432 F. Supp. 922, 926.

6. Applied; nonresident owner of motor vehicle operated on Kansas highways subject to act. Mayer v.

Harris, 224 K. 231, 233, 579 P.2d 715.

7. Cited in construing 40-3113a; application of provisions of 40-3113a relating to attorney fees retroactive. Nitchals v. Williams, 225 K. 285, 287, 294, 590 P.2d 582.

8. Action by insurer to recover PIP benefits paid; property loss recoverable under liability portion of policy. United States Fidelity & Guar. v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co., 2 K.A.2d 581, 584 P.2d 1264.

 Action by insurer to recover PIP benefits limited by two year statute of limitations. Farmers Ins. Co. v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co., 227 K. 533, 534, 535, 536,

537, 538, 539, 608 P.2d 923.

10. Repeal of statute can only operate prospectively unless statutory language indicates contrary legislative intent. Davis v. Hughes, 229 K. 91, 92, 93, 100, 101, 102, 622 P.2d 641.

11. Trial court erred in finding insurer could not recover against insured who settled with third-party tort-feasor before insurer notified third party of its interests. Hawkeye Security Ins. Co. v. Nelson, 6 K.A.2d 17, 18, 626 P.2d 795.

40-3113a. Remedy against a tertfeasor, insurer or self-insurer subrogated, when; eredits against future payments; limitation of actions, attorney fees. (a) When the injury for which personal injury protection benefits are payable under this act are caused under circumstances creating a legal liability against a tortfeasor pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3117, the injured person, his or her dependents or personal representatives shall have the right to pursue his, her or their remedy by proper action in a court of competent jurisdiction against such tortfeasor. (b) In the event of recovery from such

(b) In the event of recovery from such tortfeasor by the injured person, his or her dependents of personal representatives by judgment, settlement or otherwise, the insurer or self-insurer shall be subrogated to the extent of duplicative personal injury protection benefits provided to date of such recovery and shall have a lien therefor against such recovery and the insurer or

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relf-insurer may intervene in any action to protect and enforce such lien. Whenever any judgment in any such action, settlement or recovery otherwise shall be recovered by the injured person, his or her dependents or personal representatives prior to the completion of personal injury protection benefits, the amount of such judgment, settlement or recovery otherwise actually paid and recovered which is in excess of the amount of personal injury protection benefits paid to the date of recovery otherwise shall be credited against future payments of said personal injury protection benefits.

(c) In the event an injured person, his or her dependents or personal representative fails to commence an action against such tortfeasor within eighteen/(18) months after the date of the accident resulting in the injury, such failure shall operate as an assignment to the insurer or self-insurer of any cause of action in toft which the injured person, the dependents of such person or personal representatives of such person may have against such tortfe sor for the purpose and to the extent/of redovery of damages which are duplicative of personal injury protection benefits. Such insurer or self-insurer may enforce same in his or her own name or in the/name of the injured person, representative or dependents of the injured person for their benefit as their interest may appear by proper action in any court of competent furisdiction.

(d) In the event of a recovery pursuant to K.S.A. 60-258a, the insurer or self-insurer's right of subrogation shall be reduced by the percentage of negligence attributable to the

injured person.

(e) Pursuant to this section, the court shall fix attorney fees which shall be paid proportionately by the insurer or self-insurer and the injured person, his or her dependents or personal representatives in the amounts determined by the court.

History: L. 1977, ch. 164, § 4; July 1.

Law Review and Bar Journal References:

Discussed and compared with old statute in "No Fault—The Insurer's Reimbursement Rights Under the New Statute," William R. Sampson, 46 J.B.A.K. 211 (1977).

Discussed in "Survey of Kansas Law: Insurance," Charles H. Oldfather, Jr., 27 K.L.R. 255 (1979).

CASE ANNOTATIONS

1. Construed; section applied retroactively with re-

gard to insurer's rights concerning recovery of attorney fees. Nitchals v. Williams, 225 K. 285, 288, 289, 290, 292, 294, 295, 590 P.2d 582.

2. Recovery duplicative where settlement includes elements of damage represented by PIP benefits. Russell v. Mackey, 225 K. 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 592 P.2d 902.

3. Cited; section not to be applied retroactively with regard to insured's substantive legal rights. Farmers Ins. Co. v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co., 227 K. 533, 534, 535, 608 P.2d 923.

4. Cause of action accrued on date of accident; plaintiff real party in interest. Dinesen v. Towle, 3 K.A.2d 505, 508, 597 P.2d 264.

5. Proportionate payment of attorney fees authorized even though one insurance carrier insured all relevant persons involved in accident. Ballweg v. Farmers Ins. Co., 228 K. 506, 508, 509, 511, 618 P.2d 1171.

6. Repeal of statute allowing setoff of personal injury protection provisions and uninsured motorist provisions was to operate prospectively. Davis v. Hughes, 229 K. 91, 101, 103, 622 P.2d 641.

7. No statute authorizes plantiff's attorney to collect fees from subrogated insurer's portion of settlement fund. Quesenbury v. Wichita Coca Cola Bottling Co., 229 K. 501, 503, 625 P.2d 1129.

8. Insurance policy provisions more favorable to insured than statutory requirements; ambiguity construed in favor of insured. Howard v. Farmers Ins. Co., 5 K.A.2d 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 619 P.2d 160.

9. Trial court erred in finding insurer could not recover against insured who settled with third-party tort-feasor before insurer notified third party of its interests. Hawkeye Security Ins. Co. v. Nelson, 6 K.A.2d 17, 18, 626 P.2d 795.

10. Statute to be applied prospectively only to settlements and judgments resulting from causes of action arising on or after July 1, 1977. Grizzle v. Jacobberger, 6 K.A.2d 42, 43, 44, 626 P.2d 813.

40-3114. Duty of employer, physician, hospital, clinic or medical institution to furnish information upon request of insurer or self-insurer; settlement of dispute by district court; copy of information to insured.

(a) Whenever a request is made by a self-insurer or an insurer providing personal injury protection benefits under this act and against whom a claim has been made:

(1) Every employer shall furnish forthwith, in a form approved by the commissioner, a sworn statement of the earnings since the time of the injury, and for a reasonable period before the injury, of the employee upon whose injury the claim is based.

(2) Every physician, hospital, clinic or other medical institution providing, before or after injury upon which a claim for personal injury protection benefits is based, any products, services or accommodations in relation to that or any other injury, or in relation to a condition claimed to be connected

tions, penalties. (a) Insurers and self-insurers are hereby directed to organize and maintain an assigned claims plan to provide that any person, who suffers injury in this state may obtain personal injury protection benefits through said plan if:

- (1) Personal injury protection benefits are not available to the injured person, except that personal injury protection benefits shall not be deemed unavailable to any person suffering injury while he was the operator of a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, for which the owner thereof has rejected personal injury protection benefits pursuant to subsection (f) of K.S.A. 40-3107;
- (2) Motor vehicle liability insurance of [or] self-insurance applicable to the injury cannot be identified;
- (3) Personal injury protection benefits applicable to the injury are inadequate to provide the contracted-for benefits because of financial inability of an insurer or self-insurer to fulfill its obligation; however, benefits available through the assigned claims plan shall be excess over any benefits paid or payable through the Kansas insurance guaranty association. If the personal injury protection benefits are not paid by the Kansas insurance guaranty association within the limitation of time specified in this act, such benefits shall be paid by the assigned claims plan. Payments made by the assigned claims plan pursuant to this section shall constitute covered claims under K.S.A. 40-2901 et sea.
- (b) If a claim qualifies for assignment under this section, the assigned claims plan or any insurer or self-insurer to whom the claim is assigned shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the claimant against any insurer or self-insurer, its successor in interest or substitute, legally obligated to provide personal injury protection benefits to the claimant, for any of such benefits provided by the assignment.
- (c) A person shall not be entitled to personal injury protection benefits through the assigned claims plan with respect to injury which he has sustained if, at the time of such injury, he was the owner of a motor vehicle or which a policy of motor vehicle liability Insurance is required under this act and he failed to have such policy in effect.

proved by the commissioner. Any claim brought through said plan shall be assigned to an insurer or self-insurer, in accordance with the approved regulations of operation, and such insurer or self-insurer, after the assignment, shall have the same rights and obligations it would have if, prior to such assignment, it had issued a motor vehicle liability insurance policy providing personal injury protection benefits applicable to the loss or expenses incurred or was a selfinsurer providing such benefits. Any party accepting benefits hereunder shall have such rights and obligations as he would have if a motor vehicle liability insurance policy providing personal injury protection benefits were issued to him.

(e) No insurer may write any motor vehicle liability insurance policy in this state unless the insurer participates in the assigned claims plan organized pursuant to this section, nor shall any person qualify as a self-insurer pursuant to subsection (d) of K.S.A. 40-3104, unless he agrees to participate in such assigned claims plan. Any insurer who violates this subsection shall be assessed a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each policy he issues in violation thereof.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 16; Feb. 22. Source or prior law:

L. 1973, ch. 198, § 16.

Law Review and Bar Journal References:

Cited in comment, "No-Fault Automobile Insurance," Barry W. McCormick and Lynn Franklin Taylor II, 23 K.L.R. 141, 148 (1974).

Mentioned in note concerning the Kansas uninsured motorist statute, 16 W.L.J. 764, 768 (1977).

CASE ANNOTATIONS

- 1. History and content of section noted in holding no-fault insurance act constitutional. Manzanares v. Bell, 214 K. 589, 594, 522 P.2d 1291.
- 2. Applied in construing 40-3109 and 40-3113; right of insurer as to reimbursement and indemnity determined. Farm & City Ins. Co. v. American Standard Ins. Co., 220 K. 325, 334, 552 P.2d 1363.

40-3117. Tort actions; conditions precedent to recovery of damages for pain and suffering. In any action for tort brought against the owner, operator or occupant of a motor vehicle or against any person legally responsible for the acts or omissions of such owner, operator or occupant, a plaintiff may (d) The assigned claims plan shall be recover damages in tort for pain, suffering, governed by such rules and regulations as mental anguish, inconvenience and other are necessary for its operation and for the non-pecuniary loss because of injury only in assessment of costs, which shall be ap- the event the injury requires medical treat-

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ical benefits, having a reasonable value of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more, or the injury consists in whole or in part of permanent disfigurement, a fracture to a weightbearing bone, a compound, comminuted, displaced or compressed fracture, loss of a body member, permanent injury within reasonable medical probability, permanent loss of a bodily function or death. Any person who is entitled to receive free medical and surgical benefits shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this section upon a showing that the medical treatment received has an equivalent value of at least five hundred dollars (\$500). Any person receiving ordinary and necessary services, normally performed by a nurse, from a relative or a member of his household shall be entitled to include the reasonable value of such services in meeting the requirements of this section. For the purpose of this section. the charges actually made for medical treatment expenses shall not be conclusive as to their reasonable value. Evidence that the reasonable value thereof was an amount different than the amount actually charged shall be admissible in all actions to which this subsection applies.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 17; Feb. 22.

Source or prior law:

L. 1973, ch. 198, § 17.

Law Review and Bar Journal References:

Cited in comment, "No-Fault Automobile Insurance," Barry W. McCormick and Lynn Franklin Taylor II, 23 K.L.R. 141, 143 (1974).

Cited in note concerning wrongful death, Mark A. Buck, 17 W.L.J. 26, 82 (1977).

Mentioned in "No Fault—The Insurer's Reimbursement Rights Under the New Statute," William R. Sampson, 46 J.B.A.K. 211, 219 (1977).

Discussed in "Survey of Kansas Law: Insurance," Charles H. Oldfather, Jr., 27 K.L.R. 255 (1979).

"Insurer's Bad Faith: A New Tort for Kansas?," Janet Amerine and Jan E. Montgomery, 19 W.L.J. 467, 485 (1980).

CASE ANNOTATIONS

- 1. Section held not invidiously discriminatory in upholding constitutionality of no-fault insurance act. Manzanares v. Bell, 214 K. 589, 592, 595, 597, 617, 618, 522 P.2d 1291.
- 2. History and content of section noted in holding no-fault insurance act constitutional. Manzanares v. Bell, 214 K. 589, 595, 522 P.2d 1291.
- 3. Section does not require permanent disfigurement to be "significant". Smith v. Marshall, 2 K.A.2d 213, 577 P.2d 362. Reversed: 225 K. 70, 71, 587 P.2d 320.
- 4. Section requires injury to be of some severity (dissenting opinion). Smith v. Marshall, 2 K.A.2d 213, 218, 577 P.2d 362.

from automobile accident. Mayer v. Harris, 224 K. 231, 232, 233, 579 P.2d 715.

- 6. Plaintiff's injury insufficient to satisfy threshold requirements of section; summary judgment proper. Smith v. Marshall, 225 K. 70, 71, 587 P.2d 320.
- 7. Mentioned in action by insurer to recover PIP benefits paid; two year statute of limitations applies. Farmers Ins. Co. v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co., 227 K. 533, 537, 608 P.2d 923.
- 8. Cause of action accrued on date of accident and not on date statutory threshold of \$500 reached. Dinesen v. Towle, 3 K.A.2d 505, 506, 507, 508, 597 P.2d 264.
- 9. Monetary threshold must be met not later than the date of trial or the date the cause of action is barred by statute of limitation; trial court erred in reducing jury verdict for future medical expenses and elliminating award for pain and suffering. Key v. Clegg, 4 K.A.2d 267, 268, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 604 P.2d 1212.
- 10. Attainment of threshold amount not condition precedent to filing suit; action for property damage does not render rule against splitting cause of action or doctrine of res judicata inapplicable. Pretz v. Lamont, 6 K.A.2d 31, 35, 36, 626 P.2d 806.

40-3118. Financial security as prerequisite to motor vehicle registration; certification procedure: termination of required insurance; notice by insurer; notice by director; hearing; revocation of registration, effect; reregistration; unlawful acts, classification of violations; prima facie evidence of operation of vehicle without financial security; powers of director and secretary; refund of unearned premium. (a) No motor vehicle shall be registered in this state unless the owner at the time of registration, has in effect a policy of motor vehicle liability insurance covering such motor vehicle, as provided in this act, or is a self-insurer thereof. As used in this section, the term "financial security" shall mean and include such policy or self-insurance. The director shall require that the owner certify that the owner has such financial security, and the owner of each motor vehicle registered in this state shall maintain financial security continuously throughout the period of registration. When an owner certifies that such financial security is a motor vehicle liability insurance policy meeting the requirements of this act, the director may require that the owner or owner's insurance company produce records to prove the fact of such insurance. Failure to produce such records shall be prima facie evidence that no financial security exists with regard to the vehicle concerned. It shall be the duty of insurance companies, upon the request of the director,

In any such action in tort for pecuniary or non-pecuniary loss because of injury, the amount of any settlement or judgment shall be reduced by any personal injury protection benefits, paid or payable to the injured person as specified in K.S.A. 40-3103(q) or such other or excess personal injury protection benefits which are available to the injured person.

"New Kansas Usury Laws and Interest Rate Regulation," Robert G. Martin, 20 W.L.J. 572, 588 (1981). "Interest Rates in Kansas: The Decline and Fall of Ezekiel," Barkley Clark, 49 J.B.A.K. 81, 92 (1980).

40-283. Same; interest not subject to certain provisions. The provisions of K.S.A. 40-252, 40-928 and 40-1113 shall not apply to any interest permitted or required by this act; nor shall such interest be subject to the provisions of any rules or regulations, adopted pursuant to or to carry out the foregoing statutory provisions, and which are in conflict with the provisions of this act.

History: L. 1968, ch. 73, § 2; July 1.

40-283a. Premium financing or extension of credit for term exceeding one year prohibited; renewal of agreement at expiration of term. From and after the effective date of this act, no life insurance company authorized to do business in this state nor any insurance agent thereof shall enter into or arrange for an agreement with a purchaser or prospective purchaser of any life insurance policy to finance the cost of any premium or extend credit in the amount of any premium for a term exceeding one year. At the expiration of any such term, such life insurance company or agent may enter into or arrange for a new agreement to finance the cost of any premiums or extend credit in the amount of any premium for an additional term of not to exceed one year.

History: L. 1976, ch. 213, § 1; July 1.

40-284. Coverage relating to injury or death caused by uninsured motorist; rejection; renewal policies; providing for underinsured coverage; antistacking provision; exclusions or limitations of coverage. (a) No automobile liability insurance policy covering liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of any motor vehicle shall be delivered or issued for delivery in this state with respect to any motor clusion or limitation of coverage when: vehicle registered or principally garaged in this state, unless the policy contains or has sured automobile owned or provided for the endorsed thereon, a provision with coverage insured's regular use; limits equal to the limits of liability cover-

sums which the insured or the insured's legal representative shall be legally entitled to recover as damages from the uninsured owner or operator of a motor vehicle because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, including death, resulting therefrom, sustained by the insured, caused by accident and arising out of ownership, maintenance or use of such motor vehicle, or providing for such payment irrespective of legal liability of the insured or any other person or organization.

(b) Any uninsured motorist coverage shall include an underinsured motorist provision which enables the insured or the insured's legal representative to recover from the insurer the amount of damages for bodily injury or death to which the insured is legally entitled from the owner or operator of another motor vehicle with coverage limits equal to the limits of liability provided by such uninsured motorist coverage to the extent such coverage exceeds the limits of the bodily injury coverage carried by the owner or operator of the other motor vehicle, 👞

(c) The insured named in the policy shall have the right to reject, in writing, the uninsured motorists coverage required by subsection (a) which is in excess of the limits for bodily injury or death set forth in K.S.A. 40-3107. Unless the insured named in the policy requests such coverage in writing, such coverage need not be provided in or supplemental to a renewal policy where the named insured had rejected the coverage in connection with a policy previously issued to the insured by the same insurer.

(d) Coverage under the policy shall be limited to the extent that the total limits available cannot exceed the highest limits of any single applicable policy, regardless of the number of policies involved, persons covered, claims made, vehicles or premiums shown on the policy or premiums paid or vehicles involved in an accident.

(e) Any insurer may provide for the ex-

(1) The insured is occupying an unin-

age for bodily injury or death in such au- by a self-insurer or the tederal government; (2) the uninsured automobile is owned or if a lesser amount, the insured's proportionate share of payment when the limits of the bodily injury coverage carried by the owner or operator of the other motor vehicle has been exhausted.

or struck by or trailer

any governmental entity

tact with the uninsured motor vehicle;

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(4) to the extent that workers' compensa-

tion benefits apply; and

(5) suit is filed against the uninsured motorist without notice to the insurance

History: L. 1968, ch. 273, § 1; L. 1981, ch. 191, § 1; Jan. 1, 1982.

Revisor's Notes:

Policies, or endorsements thereon, complying with this section unaffected by uniform arbitration act, see 5-419.

Referred to in 40-3113.

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- 1. Mentioned as being effective after execution of insurance contract under consideration. Sturdy v. Allied Mutual Ins. Co., 203 K. 783, 785, 457 P.2d 34.
- 2. Mentioned; insurance carrier which has issued uninsured motorist policy may intervene in action brought by its insured against an uninsured motorist. Rawlins v. Stanley, 207 K. 564, 567, 486 P.2d 840.
- 3. Uninsured motorist coverage hereunder does not impose absolute liability on insurer. Bachman v. American Mutual Insurance Company of Boston, 338 F.Supp. 1372, 1373, 1374, 1375.

4. Term "legally entitled to recover as damages" construed; establishment of fault, extent of damage. Winner v. Ratzlaff, 211 K. 59, 62, 64, 505 P.2d 606.

- 5. Discussed; insurance policy provisions limiting, conditioning and diluting uninsured motorist coverage held void. Clayton v. Alliance Mutual Casualty Co., 212 K. 640, 646, 648, 650, 651, 512 P.2d 507. Rehearing denied: 213 K. 84, 515 P.2d 1115.
- 6. Where policy provision more restrictive than statute requiring coverage, statute will prevail. Clayton v. Alliance Mutual Casualty Co., 213 K. 84, 515 P.2d 1115.
- 7. Policy clause excluding coverage of insured person occupying named insured's insured automobile injured by named insured's uninsured automobile is void hereunder. Forrester v. State Farm Mutual Automobile Ins. Co., 213 K. 442, 443, 444, 445, 449, 450, 517 P.2d 173.
- 8. Contents noted in discussing history of no-fault insurance act (40-3101 et seq.). Manzanares v. Bell, 214

(3) there is no evidence of physical con-effective date; accident covered. Van Hoozer v. Farmers Insurance Exchange, 219 K. 595, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 606, 607, 610, 549 P.2d 1354

10. Provisions of policy purporting to limit insurer's liability to one policy void. Van Hoozer v. Farmers Insurance Exchange, 219 K. 595, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 606, 607, 610, 549 P.2d 1354.

11. Provisions purporting to reduce amounts payable under policy by amounts of workmen's compensation benefits void. Van Hoozer v. Farmers Insurance Exchange, 219 K. 595, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 606. 607, 610, 549 P.2d 1354.

12. Uninsured motorist authorized to "stack" coverages up to but not more than full amount of damages sustained. Welch v. Hartford Casualty Ins. Co., 221 K. 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 559 P.2d 362.

13. Section cited; award in excess of uninsured motorist coverage; trial court erred. Hammerman v. Southwestern Ins. Group, 1 K.A.2d 445, 447, 571 P.2d 1.

14. Section construed; physical contact requirement in hit and run clauses in the uninsured motorist provisions of automobile insurance is void. Simpson v. Farmers Ins. Co., 225 K. 508, 510, 511, 512, 515, 516, 592 P.2d 445.

15. Provision excluding government-owned vehicle from definition of uninsured motor vehicle held void as attempt to reduce coverage required hereunder. Hillhouse v. Farmers Ins. Co., 226 K. 68, 69, 595 P.2d 1102.

16. Passenger of unauthorized user of a vehicle, who is not within policy definition of "insured," is not within mandated coverage. Farmers Ins. Co. v. Schiller, 226 K. 155, 162, 597 P.2d 238.

17. Exclusionary clause in uninsured motorist policy not in conflict with coverage mandated hereunder. Benson v. Farmers Ins. Co., 227 K. 833, 836, 837, 610 P.2d 605.

18. Nothing hereunder grants any type of authorized exclusion prohibiting "stacking." McNemee v. Farmers Insurance Group, 228 K. 211, 212, 215, 612 P.2d 645.

19. Where two vehicles are insured in a single policy with separate premiums, injured insured may stack the two uninsured motorist coverages. Davis v. Hughes, 229 K. 91, 92, 95, 100, 622 P.2d 641.

20. Any insurance policy provision which attempts to dilute, condition or limit minimum coverage requirements of the K.A.I.R.A. is void and invalid; policies may allow or exclude coverage above statutory limits. DeWitt v. Young, 229 K. 474, 478, 625 P.2d 478.

21. Policy provisions which purport to condition, limit or dilute unqualified uninsured motorist coverage mandated by statute are void and unenforceable. Barnett v. Crosby, 5 K.A.2d 98, 99, 612 P.2d 1250.

22. Statute does not address stacking, nor does it require equal treatment of all classes of insureds. Burke v. AID Ins. Co., 487 F.Supp. 831, 835.

40-285. Same; "uninsured motor vehicle" includes vehicle whose insurer is insolvent. For the purpose of this act, the term "uninsured motor vehicle" shall, subject to the terms and conditions of such coverage, be deemed to include an insured motor vehids where the liability insurer thereof is

there is no reliable competent evidence to prove the facts of the accident from a disinterested witness not making claim under the policy.

to the extent that personal injury protection benefits apply.

Mot apply to coverage for a rented residence or rented private garage;

- (4) for any obligation of an insured, or the insured's insurer under any type of workers' compensation or disability or similar law:
- (5) for liability assumed by an insured under any contract or agreement; and
- (6) if two or more vehicle liability policies apply to the same accident, the total limits of liability under all such policies shall not exceed that of the policy with the highest limit of liability.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 7; L. 1981, ch. 191, § 2; Jan. 1, 1982.

Source or prior law:

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- 6. Decisions holding direct action against insurance company authorized under 6-1,128 distinguished from such an action under this section, which is prohibited. White v. Goodville Mut. Cas. Co., 226 K. 191, 193, 194, 195, 196, 596 P.2d 1229.
- 7. Unemancipated minor child may recover damages against parent for personal injuries caused by parent's negligent operation of motor vehicle. Nocktonick v. Nocktonick, 227 K. 758, 768, 611 P.2d 135.
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favor of the insured. Howard v. Farmers Ins. Co., 5 K.A.2d 499, 506, 619 P.2d 160.

- 40-3108. Personal injury protection benefits; authorized exclusions. Any insurer may exclude benefits required by subsection (f) of K.S.A. 40-3107: (a) For injury sustained by the named insured and relatives residing in the same household while occupying another motor vehicle owned by the named insured and not insured under the policy, or for injury sustained by any person operating the insured motor vehicle without the expressed or implied consent of the insured; and
- (b) to any person suffering injury, if such person: (1) Caused injury to himself intentionally; (2) was an intentional converter of a motor vehicle at the time the injury was sustained; (3) was injured as a result of conduct within the course of a business of repairing, servicing or otherwise maintaining motor vehicles, unless such conduct occurred off of the business premises; or (4) was injured as a result of conduct in the course of loading and unloading a motor vehicle, unless the conduct occurred while occupying, entering into or alighting from such vehicle.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 8; Feb. 22.

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- 5. Mini-bike operated on highway is vehicle for which insurance is required. Kresyman v. State Farm Ins., 5 K.2d 666, 669, 623 P.2d 524.

(7) for any damages while the motor vehicle is being used without a reasonable belief that the person is entitled to do so.

- (8) for any damages arising from an intentional act.
- (9) for any damages for that person who is insured under a nuclear energy liability policy or would be insured under such policy.

40-3107. Motor vehicle liability insurance policies; required contents; exclusions of coverage. Every policy of motor vehicle liability insurance issued by an insurer to an owner residing in this state shall:

(a) Designate by explicit description or by appropriate reference of all vehicles with respect to which coverage is thereby to be granted;

(b) insure the person named therein and any other person, as insured, using any such vehicle with the expressed or implied consent of such named insured, against loss from the liability imposed by law for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any such vehicle within the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada, subject to the limits stated in such policy;

(c) state the name and address of the named insured, the coverage afforded by the policy, the premium charged therefor and the policy period;

(d) contain an agreement or be endorsed that insurance is provided thereunder in accordance with the coverage required by this act;

(e) contain stated limits of liability, exclusive of interest and costs, with respect to each vehicle for which coverage is thereby granted, not less than \$25,000 because of bodily injury to, or death of, one person in any one accident and, subject to the limit for one person, to a limit of not less than \$50,000 because of bodily injury to, or death of, two or more persons in any one accident, and to a limit of not less than \$10,000 because of harm to or destruction of property of others in any one accident;

d) include personal injury protection benefits to the named insured, relatives residing in the same household, persons operating the insured motor vehicle, passengers in such motor vehicle and other persons struck by such motor vehicle and suffering bodily injury while not an occupant of a motor vehicle, not exceeding the limits prescribed for each of such benefits, for loss sustained by any such person as a son which occurs while the named insured is operating or is a passenger on such motorcycle or motor-driven cycle; and unless the named insured requests such coverage in writing, such coverage need not be provided in or supplemental to a renewal policy when the named insured has rejected the coverage in connection with a policy previously issued by the same insurer. The fact that the insured has rejected such coverage shall not cause such motorcycle or motor-driven cycle to be an uninsured motor vehicle;

(g) notwithstanding any omitted or inconsistent language, any contract of insurance which an insurer represents as or which purports to be a motor vehicle liability insurance policy meeting the requirements of this act shall be construed to obligate the insurer to meet all the mandatory requirements and obligations of this act;

(h) notwithstanding any other provision contained in this section, any insurer may exclude coverage required by subsections (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this section while any insured vehicles are:

(1) Rented to others or used to carry persons for a charge, however, such exclusion shall not apply to the use of a private passenger car on a share the expense basis;

(2) being repaired, serviced or used by any person employed or engaged in any way in the automobile business. This does not apply to the named insured, spouse or relative residents; or the agents, employers or partners of the named insured, spouse or resident relative; and

(i) in addition to the provisions of subsection (h) and notwithstanding any other provision contained in subsections (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this section, any insurer may exclude coverage: for:

(1) Any bodily injury to any insured or any family member of an insured residing in the insured's household;

(2) for any damages for which the United States government might be liable for the insured's use of the vehicle:

pant of a motor vehicle, not exceeding the limits prescribed for each of such benefits, for loss sustained by any such person as a limit by an insured, however, this exclusion shall

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(4) for any obligation of an insured, or the insured's insurer under any type of workers' compensation or disability or simitar law:

(5) for liability assumed by an insured under any contract or agreement; and

(6) if two or more vehicle liability policies apply to the same accident, the total limits of liability under all such policies shall not exceed that of the policy with the highest limit of liability.

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(b) to any person suffering injury, if such person: (1) Caused injury to himself intentionally; (2) was an intentional converter of a motor vehicle at the time the injury was sustained; (3) was injured as a result of conduct within the course of a business of repairing, servicing or otherwise maintaining motor vehicles, unless such conduct occurred off of the business premises; or (4) was injured as a result of conduct in the course of loading and unloading a motor vehicle, unless the conduct occurred while occupying, entering into or alighting from such vehicle.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 8; Feb. 22. Source or prior law:

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5. Mini-bike operated on highway is vehicle for which insurance is required. Kresyman v. State Farm Ins., 5 K.2d 666, 669, 623 P.2d 524.

40-3109. Same; injuries for which payment of benefits required; liability for

msurer or the insurer of the owner of a motor vehicle covered by a policy of motor vehicle liability insurance meeting the requirements of this act shall pay any personal injury protection benefits which are required to be provided by this act or in such owner's policy of motor vehicle liability insurance for any injury:

(1) Sustained in this state by the owner while occupying a motor vehicle not excluded by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 40-3108, or while not an occupant of a motor vehicle the injury is caused by physical contact with a motor vehicle;

(2) sustained outside this state, but within the United States of America; its territories or possessions or Canada, by the owner while occupying the owner's motor vehicle;

benefits due from an insurer or self-insurer under this act shall be primary and shall be circumstances described in paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection, if the relative at the time of the accident is not himself the owner of a motor vehicle with respect to which a motor vehicle liability insurance policy is required by this act;

(4) sustained in this state by any other person while occupying such motor vehicle or, if a resident of this state, while not an occupant of such motor vehicle, if the injury is caused by physical contact with such motor vehicle and the injured person is not himself the owner of a motor vehicle with respect to which a motor vehicle liability insurance policy is required under this act.

(b) If two (2) or more insurers or self-insurers are liable to pay personal injury protection benefits for the same injury to any one (1) person, the maximum benefits payable shall be the total of the various maximum benefits provided by this act, and any insurer or self-insurer paying the benefits shall be entitled to recover from each of the other insurers or self-insurers an equitable pro-rata share of the benefits paid and expenses incurred in processing the claim.

History: L. 1974, ch. 193, § 9; Feb. 22. Source or prior law:

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(4) modifies both preceding clauses, qualification relates to both occupant and pedestrian. Farm & City Ins. Co. v. American Standard Ins. Co., 220 K, 325, 328, 331, 333, 334, 335, 552 P.2d 1363.

2. Insurer of motor vehicle not liable for personal unjury protection (PIP) benefits to permissive user required to maintain own liability coverage. Dreiling v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co., 227 K S51, S52, S55, 610 P.2d 611.

3. Minishike operated on highway is valuely for which insurance is required for purposes of subsection (a)(3). Kresyman v. State Farm Ins., 5 K.A.2d 666, 667, 623 P.2d 524.

40-3110. Same; primary status of benefits, exception; when payable; time limitation on claims; overdue payments. (a) Except for benefits payable under any workmen's compensation law, which shall be credited against the personal injury protection benefits provided by subsection (f) of K.S.A. 40-3107, personal injury protection benefits due from an insurer or self-insurer under this act shall be primary and shall be due and payable as loss accrues, upon receipt of reasonable proof of such loss and which are covered by the policy issued in compliance with this act. An insurer or selfinsurer may require written notice to be given as soon as practicable after an accident involving a motor vehicle with respect to which the insurer's policy of motor vehicle liability insurance affords the coverage required by this act. No claim for personal injury protection benefits may be made after two (2) years from the date of the injury.

(b) Personal injury protection benefits payable under this act shall be overdue if not paid within thirty (30) days after the insurer or self-insurer is furnished written notice of the fact of a covered loss and of the amount of same, except that disability benefits payable under this act shall be paid not less than every two (2) weeks after such notice. If such written notice is not furnished as to the entire claim, any partial amounts supported by written notice is overdue if not paid within thirty (30) days after such written notice is furnished. Any part or all of the remainder of the claim that is subsequently supported by written notice is overdue if not paid within thirty (30) days after such written notice is so furnished: Provided, That no such payment shall be deemed overdue where the insurer or selfinsurer has reasonable proof to establish that

(1) Sustained within the United States of America, its territories or possessions or Canada by the owner while:

- (a) occupying a motor vehicle not excluded by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 40-3108 or
- (b) not an occupant of a motor vehicle if the injury is caused by physical contact with a motor vehicle;

highest limit of any one policy providing such personal injury protection benefits. The policy providing coverage for the motor vehicle occupied by the injured person or providing coverage for the motor vehicle with which physical contact caused personal injury shall provide the primary personal injury protection coverage.