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MINUTES OF THESENATE	COMMITTEE ON	COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTI	ONS
The meeting was called to order by .		Sen. Neil H. Arasmith Chairperson	at
9:00 a.m./pxxx. on	January 18	, 19 <u>84</u> in room <u>529-S</u> of the	Capitol.
All members were present except:			

Committee staff present:

Bill Wolff, Legislative Research Myrta Anderson, Legislative Research Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Jim Maag, Kansas Bankers Association Ron Todd, Kansas Insurance Department Rebecca Kupper, Kansas Hospital Association

It was called to the committee's attention by the Chairman that the minutes of January 17 should be corrected in the sixth paragraph by deleting "the title of" from the first sentence. The minutes were approved as amended.

The meeting continued with a request for the introduction of a bill by Jim Maag, Kansas Bankers Association. (See Attachment I.) Mr. Maag explained that the bill would allow remote service unit operations beyond the State of Kansas. He pointed out to the committee that there is a difference in the law as to how it relates to savings and loan associations.

Sen. Reilly made a motion to introduce the bill. Sen. Harder seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ron Todd, Kansas Insurance Department, began his request for the introduction of two bills. (See Attachment II.)

Sen. Reilly made a motion to introduce both bills. Sen. Harder seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The committee's attention was then turned to <u>SB 471</u> dealing with the definition of "creditor" under the UCCC. Rebecca Kupper, Kansas Hospital Association, began her testimony. (<u>See Attachment III.</u>) She noted that her testimony stems from the interim study done on the UCCC and that her association's attorney felt that the bill should be amended to clarify the exemption they requested.

Sen. Pomeroy asked Ms. Kupper if she would want the amendment presently in the bill in addition to the two that she recommended in her testimony. Ms. Kupper answered that she would.

Sen. Werts had a question regarding new subsection (40) as to if it would be contradictory to say that an oral agreement is not an agreement. Sen. Pomeroy answered that new subsection (40) defines "written agreement" and so the reference to "oral agreement" is not contradictory.

The Chairman asked Ms. Kupper if she would prefer the bill to be left in its current form with the addition of the two amendments she had offered in her testimony, and she answered that she would.

The Chairman offered some background information to the committee regarding Ms. Kupper's requests. He explained that during the interim study, testimony had shown that some hospitals had voluntarily registered with the Consumer Credit Commissioner's office and paid the \$15 fee. The Commissioner's office subsequently sent letters to all hospitals regarding the fee. The letters resulted in the hospital's concerns as expressed by Ms. Kupper.

### CONTINUATION SHEET

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Sen. Reilly asked Ms. Kupper if she knew how many health care institutions were involved. Ms. Kupper could give no specific number. The Chairman said that it was learned during the interim study that 12 or 15 hospitals had purchased licenses, feeling that they came under the code.

Sen. Karr asked how the bill would affect bad debts sold by the hospital for collection. Ms. Kupper answered that the bill would not apply in that situation. Sen. Karr asked what the Consumer Credit Commissioner's feelings were regarding the amendments she offered. The Chairman noted that he knew of no objections by the Commissioner during the interim study and that the Commissioner was aware of this committee meeting. With no further questions, the hearing on SB 471 was concluded.

Sen. Pomeroy made a motion to amend the bill as proposed. Sen. McCray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sen. Pomeroy made a motion to recommend SB 471 favorably as amended. Sen. Reilly seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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- Section 1. K.S.A. 9-1111 is hereby amended to read as follows:
  - 9-1111. The general business of every bank . . .
- (f) any state bank or national banking association having its principal office and main banking house in this state,—individually—or—jointly with one—or—more—state—banks—or—national banking—associations—having—their principal—offices—and—main banking—houses—in—this—state,—may provide, and engage in banking transactions by means of, remote service units located—anywhere within—the state—of Kansas,—wherever located, which remote service units shall not be considered branch banks, or branch offic—es, agencies or places of business, or detached auxiliary services facilities authorized herein. Any banking transaction effected by use of a remote service unit shall be deemed to be transacted at a bank and not at a remote service unit; •
  - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 9-1111 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take affect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 1

This proposal increases the minimum financial requirements applicable to insurance companies doing business in this state. It proposes to increase the capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements for life insurance companies, including fraternals, by 100%. Property and casualty insurers, including the so-called "1027" companies are increased 50%. Though not scientifically measured or calculated, these increases will place Kansas requirements in the mainstream of those applying in the respective states. We will not be the highest or the lowest and we will be in roughly the same relative position as the preponderance of the states.

A "grandfather" provision has been inserted the effect of which will be as follows: Companies admitted or organized on and after January 1, 1984 must comply with the new requirements -- Companies admitted after January 1, 1969 and prior to January 1, 1984 will have 5 years to comply -- Companies doing business in Kansas on January 1, 1969 will have 5 years to meet the requirements in effect for all other companies prior to the passage of this act and another 5 years to meet the requirements of this proposal. By 1994, under this arrangement, all companies will be subject to the same financial requirements and the favored treatment currently accorded companies that were admitted on January 1, 1969 will be eliminated.

This proposal also eliminates the provisions requiring payment of duplicative admission and renewal fees for companies authorized to transact both life and health and accident insurance.

As an editorial change, this proposal eliminates the obsolete "special" provisions that were included for particular insurers.

Attachment II

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AN ACT relating to insurance; financial requirements; foreign and domestic companies; implementation procedures; amending K.S.A. 40-401, 40-402, 40-901, 40-1027, 40-1102, 40-1103, 40-1104, 40-1204, 40-1210 and 40-1605 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-401 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-401. Any ten (10) or more persons, a majority of whom are citizens of this state, may associate in accordance with the provisions of this code and form an incorporated company, upon either the stock or mutual plan, to make insurance upon the lives of persons and every insurance appertaining thereto or connected therewith and to grant, purchase or dispose of annuities: Provided, That such companies may incorporate in their policies provisions for the waiver of premiums or for the granting of an annuity to the insured, or for special surrender values or other benefits, in the event that the insured shall from any cause become totally and permanently disabled, and any such company may provide for the payment of a larger sum if death is caused by accident than if it results from any other causes. For the purposes of this section, "totally and permanently disabled" shall mean disabled continuously for a period, such period to be specified in any such provision, of not less than sixty (60) days nor more than one (1) year, except this provision shall not apply to and specifically excludes group life insurance. Such company may make insurance on the health of individuals, against accidental personal injury, disablement or death, and against loss, liability or expense on account thereof; but such company so transacting such health and accident insurance business, or either kind, shall maintain statutory and separate reserves for such business, shall issue such contracts only in separate policies, shall pay separate admission and renewal fees and taxes, and shall make separate reports to the commissioner of insurance of the premiums received and expenses and losses incurred in connection with such business.

The business of life insurance in this state shall not be in any wise conducted or transacted by any company which in this state makes insurance on marine, fire, inland, or any other like risks: Provided, That life, health and accident insurance on the group or industrial plan may be combined in one policy, which shall show the premium charged for life insurance and the premium charged for health and accident insurance, and the assured, at his or her option, may discontinue either and by payment of the stated premium continue the other. The amount of capital stock of a company organized on the stock plan shall be not less than three hundred thousand dollars

(\$300,000). six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000). Companies organized on the mutual plan shall be required to have applications from at least two hundred (200) persons for insurance upon their lives, aggregating not less than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), upon which one full annual premium in cash shall have been paid. No such company shall transact any business of insurance until, if a stock company, all the capital stock named in its charter has been paid in cash including all contributions to surplus to be made by the original purchasers of such stock: Provided, That such surplus shall be at least three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), and at least two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), in securities authorized by this code shall have been deposited with the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians, and if a mutual company a guaranty fund of at least six hundred thousand dellars (\$600,000), one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000), and at least two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) of which shall be in securities as authorized in this code and deposited with the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians. Said guaranty fund may be returned to the contributors thereto with interest at six percent (6%) per annum whenever the surplus shall equal the amount of such guaranty fund and interest, and no company shall transact any business of insurance unless it shall maintain the capital and/or surplus herein required of a company commencing to transact business, or, if a mutual company, the required number and amount of applications for insurance have been received and the annual premiums thereon collected in cash. Such securities deposited pursuant to this section shall be held by the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians in trust for the benefit and protection of the policyholders and/or creditors of the company depositing the same and may be withdrawn only upon order of the commissioner of insurance.

Until May 1, 1989, life insurers, which phrase shall include a fraternal benefit society which has filed with the commissioner of insurance a plan for conversion to a stock or mutual life insurance company under the terms of K.S.A. 40-726 to 40-733, both inclusive, and which plan has been approved by the commissioner, which were authorized to do business in Kansas on subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies

to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided

by this act.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-402 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-402. It shall not be lawful for any life insurance company organized or incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any other state of the United States to transact business in this state unless, if a stock company, it shall have and maintain a paid-up capital stock of at least three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) and a surplus of at least three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), and shall have deposited two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), or if a mutual company, a surplus of at least six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000), and shall have deposited two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) in approved securities for the benefit of all of its policyholders and/or creditors with the commissioner, superintendent of insurance or chief financial officer of the state in which such company is incorporated, or, if such company is incorporated under the laws of the United States, with some financial officer of the United States; or if incorporated under the laws of any foreign government, such deposit shall be made with such an officer in any state of the United States: Provided, That any such company not having such deposit made in the state in which it is organized, or with some officer of the United States, shall make such deposit in this state in the manner and subject to the provisions relating to such companies organized under the laws of this state. Until May 1, 1989, life insurers which were authorized to do business in Kansas -onsubsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have a paid-up stock, surplus and deposit equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies

to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided

by this act.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-901 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-901. It shall be lawful for any stock fire insurance company organized under the laws of this state, the United States, or any other country, state or territory, and authorized to transact business in this state, having a paid-up capital of not less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000), and a surplus of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and a deposit equal to the minimum capital stock to make contracts of insurance or to cede or receive reinsurance thereon, for such of the following kinds of business as are specified in its articles of incorporation, namely:

(a) To make insurance upon property or any valuable interest thereon against loss or damage caused by fire, lightning, or other electrical disturbances, earthquake, windstorm, cyclone, tornado, tempest, hail, frost, snow, ice, sleet, weather or climatic condition, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain, or drought, a rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power, explosion, other than the explosion of steam boilers, or the breaking of flywheels, against loss or damage from any cause to trees, crops and farm products.

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(b) To make insurance against loss or damage to property and against the liability of the insured for loss or damage to the property of others caused by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings or from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps, water pipes, plumbing and all tanks, apparatus, conduits and containers designated to bring water into buildings or for its storage or utilization therein, or caused by the falling of a tank, tank platform or supports, and against loss or damage from any cause to such sprinklers, pumps, water pipes, plumbing, tanks, apparatus, conduits or containers.

(c) To make insurance upon teams, automobiles and all vehicles, airplanes, seaplanes, dirigibles and other aircraft: (1) Against all loss or damage to the same, their fittings and contents from any cause, including the hazards of burglary, theft or other criminal act, vandalism or malicious mischief. (2) Against loss or damage to property, including legal liability therefor, caused by the operation, maintenance and

use of the same.

(d) To make insurance against loss or damage to vessels, craft, aircraft, automobiles and vehicles of every kind (excluding automobiles operating under their own power or while in storage not incidental to transportation) as well as all goods, freights, cargoes, merchandise, effects, disbursements, profits, moneys, bullion, precious stones, securities, choses in action, evidence of debt, valuable papers, bottomry and respondentia interests, and all kinds of property and interests herein in respect to, pertaining to or in connection with any or all risks or perils of navigation, transit or transportation, including war risks, on or under any seas or waters, on land or in the air, or while being assembled, packed, crated, baled, compressed or similarly prepared for shipment or while awaiting the same, or during any delays, storage, transshipment or reshipment incidental thereto; including marine builders' risks and war risks; and from loss or damage to persons or property in connection with or appertaining to marine, inland marine, transit or transportation insurance, including loss or damage to either, arising out of or in connection with the construction, repair, operation, maintenance or use of the subject matter of such primary insurance (but not including life insurance or surety bonds), but except as herein specified shall not mean insurance against loss by reason of bodily injury to the person.

(e) Against loss or damage to property from any casualty, power to insure against which is not prohibited by the laws of this state or exclusively delegated by

this code to any other class or kind of company.

(f) And against consequential loss or damage arising from any of the causes above enumerated.

(g) Against loss or damage to horses, cattle, other livestock and domestic animals by accident, theft or death, or against any known or contingent event whatever which may lawfully be the subject of insurance.

And generally to do and perform all other matters and things proper to promote these objects: Provided, That no such insurance company organized under the laws of this state transacting business in this state shall expose itself to loss on any one risk or hazard to an amount exceeding ten percent (10%) of its paid-up capital and surplus, unless the excess shall be reinsured in some other company duly authorized to transact similar business in this state or as otherwise provided in the insurance code, and no such insurance company not organized under the laws of this state and transacting business in this state shall expose itself to loss on any one risk or hazard to an amount exceeding ten percent (10%) of its paid-up capital and surplus unless the excess shall be reinsured either in some company duly authorized to transact similar business in this state or as provided by the laws of such company's domiciliary state: Provided, That any stock company with charter powers so to do, and having a paid-up capital stock of at least six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) and a surplus of at least four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), may in addition to the kinds and classes of business mentioned in this section, transact the kinds and classes of business mentioned in K.S.A. 40-1102, including surety bonds and except as herein specified, insurance against loss by reason of bodily injuries as provided for in said K.S.A. 40-1102, and shall maintain all reserves required by law for the kinds and class of business transacted: Provided further, Any such company executing suretyship obligations shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-1107. Until May 1, 1989, stock insurers which were authorized to transact business in Kansas on subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have paid-up capital stock, surplus, and deposits equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act: Provided, That stock fire insurers, which were authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1970, solely to issue policies under only one (1) subdivision of this section, may issue policies under subdivisions (a) to (g), inclusive, of this section and may, in addition, engage in reinsurance transactions as respects the kinds and classes of business mentioned in K.S.A. 40-1102, when such insurer is possessed of a paid-up capital of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and a surplus of one hundred thousand-dollars (\$100,000): Provided, That, except as otherwise provided, any stock

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company which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1970, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock and surplus requirements provided by this acti- Provided further, That any stock company incorporated under the laws of this state on December 21, 1961, which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1975, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock and surplus requirements provided by this act. 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies

to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1 1969 shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 40-1027 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1027. (a) Any insurance company organized and existing as a mutual fire and tornado insurance company of the state of Kansas, and having a bona fide net surplus of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000), and having deposited with the commissioner of insurance lawful securities for the protection of its policyholders and/or creditors, in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), shall have the authority and right to make and issue contracts of insurance or to cede or accept reinsurance on any portion of any risk for the following kinds of insurance, namely:

(1) To make insurance upon property or any valuable interest therein against loss or damage caused by fire, lightning or other electrical disturbances, earthquake, windstorm, cyclone, tornado, tempest, hail, frost, snow, ice, sleet, weather or climatic condition, including excess or deficiency of moisture, flood, rain, or drought; a rising of the waters of the ocean or its tributaries, bombardment, invasion, insurrection, riot, civil war or commotion, military or usurped power, explosion, other than the explosion of steam boilers, or the breaking of flywheels; against loss or damage from any cause

to trees, crops and farm products.

(2) To make insurance against loss or damage to property and against the liability of the insured for loss or damage to the property of others caused by water entering through leaks or openings in buildings or from the breakage or leakage of sprinklers, pumps, water pipes, plumbing and all tanks, apparatus, conduits and containers designated to bring water into buildings or for its storage or utilization therein; or caused by the falling of a tank, tank platform or supports, and against loss or damage from any cause to such sprinklers, pumps, water pipes, plumbing, tanks,

apparatus, conduits or containers. (3) And against consequential loss or damage arising from any of the causes above enumerated. And generally to do and perform all other matters and things proper to promote these objects. It shall be requisite to so acting, for its board of

directors to authorize the same by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of its membership. Any company having taken action as herein provided shall certify such action to the commissioner of insurance, together with a statement showing its financial status and a net surplus sufficient to warrant such action. Any company operating hereunder shall maintain unearned premium reserves equal to a pro rata amount of the premiums received on all unexpired risks and such unearned premium reserves shall be held and regarded as an absolute liability of the company. For the purpose of this section the unearned premium reserve for policies written on the note plan shall be determined by the amount of cash collected on said notes in excess of the percentage earned on policies written for a cash premium. Until May 1, 1989 Such companies which were authorized to transact business in Kansas on January 1, 1969, 1984, shall be required to have surplus and deposit equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act.

(b) Any insurance company organized and existing as a mutual fire and tornado insurance company of the state of Kansas shall have the authority and right to make and issue contracts of insurance in addition to those specified in subsection (a) of this section, which include such amount and kind of insurance against legal liability for injury, damage or loss to the person or property of others, and for medical, hospital, and surgical expense related to such injury, as the commissioner of insurance deems to be reasonably incidental to insurance of real or personal property against fire or other

perils under policies covering residential properties involving not more than two (2) with or without incidental office, professional, private school or studio occupancy by

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an insured, whether or not the premium or rate charged for certain perils so covered is Any provision of K.S.A. 40-1016, to the contrary specified in the policy. Any provision of K.S.A. 40-1016, to the contrary notwithstanding: (i) No insurer having a bona fide net surplus of at least four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) but less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) authorized as to property insurance only shall, pursuant to this subsection (b), retain risk as to any one subject of insurance as to hazards other than property insurance hazards in an amount exceeding three percent (3%) of its surplus to policyholders; and (ii) no insurer having a bona fide net surplus of less than four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) authorized as to property insurance only shall, pursuant to this subsection, retain any risk other than property insurance hazards, and all such companies shall reinsure all such risks as to hazards other than property insurance hazards. Until May 1, 1989 such companies which were authorized to transact business in Kansas on January 1, 1969, 1984, shall be required to have surplus and deposit equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies

to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 40-1102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1102. Any insurance company, other than a life insurance company, organized under the laws of this state or authorized to transact business in this state may make all or any one or more of the kinds of insurance and reinsurance comprised in any one of the following numbered classes, subject to and in accordance with its articles of incorporation and the provisions of this code.

(1) (a) To insure against bodily injury or death by accident and against

disablement resulting from sickness and every insurance appertaining thereto.

(b) To insure against the liability of the insured for the death or disability of or damages suffered by an employee or other person, and to insure the obligations accepted by or imposed upon employers under the laws for workmen's compensation.

(c) To insure against loss of or damage to, or destruction of property of the insured, or to the property interests of the insured, and to insure against such loss or damage to the property of others or to the property interests of others, for which loss or damage the insured may be liable.

(d) To become surety or guarantor for any person, copartnership or corporation in any position or place of trust or as custodian of money or property, public or private; to be come a surety or guarantor for the performance by any person, copartnership or corporation of any lawful obligation, undertaking, agreement or contract of any kind, except contracts or policies of insurance.

(e) To insure titles to property and against loss by reason of defective titles or

encumbrances.

(f) To insure the correctness of searches for all instruments, liens, and charges affecting property.

(g) To insure against loss by reason of the insufficiency of the security conveyed

or pledged under mortgage or deed of trust.

(h) To insure the payment of bonds and notes secured by mortgages or deeds of trust, and to buy and sell mortgages or deeds of trust upon real property and interest therein.

(i) To insure against loss or damage which may result from the failure of debtors to pay their obligations to the insured, and including the incidental power to acquire and dispose of debts so insured, and to collect any debts owed to such insurer or to any person so insured by him.

(j) To insure the payment of money for personal services under contracts of

hi ring. (k) To make inspections of and issue certificates of inspections upon elevators, boilers, machinery, and all mechanical apparatus and appliances appertaining thereto.

(l) To insure against loss of use or occupancy caused by or resulting from any of

the risks comprised within this class.

(m) To insure against liability, loss or damage from any other risk, hazard, or contingency which may lawfully be the subject of insurance, and specific authority for the transaction of which has not been exclusively delegated to any other class or kind of company: Provided, That any company writing insurance against the loss or damage caused by fire, lightning, or by the perils of either marine or inland navigation or transportation, to buildings or other structures erected upon land, to piers, wharves,

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405 406 bulkheads, warehouses, marine vessels, railroad engines, rolling stock or equipment of railroads, or carrying charges for shipments of freight shall have a paid-up capital stock of at least six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000), a surplus of at least four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000), and shall have deposited, for the protection of its policyholders and/or creditors, with the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians securities authorized by K.S.A. 40-227 in an amount equal to not less than the minimum capital stock required by such a company, and shall maintain all reserves required by law for the kinds and classes of business transacted. The deposit required by this section for insurance companies not organized under the laws of this state may be deposited as provided herein or with the insurance department of any other state in the United States: Provided, Until May 1, 1989 insurers which were aut brized to transact business in Kansas-on-subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have paid-up capital stock, surplus, and deposits equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act: Provided further, That, except as otherwise provided, any stock company which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1970, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock and surplus requirements provided by this act: Provided further, That any stock company incorporated under the laws of this state on December 21, 1961, which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1975, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock After May 1, 1989, such companies and surplus requirements provided by this act. shall comply with the paidup capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act

by this act.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 40-1103 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1103. No insurance company hereafter organized under the laws of this state shall be authorized to commence the transaction of either of the numbered classes of business specified in K.S.A. 40-1102 in this state unless it has a capital stock of at least three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) and a surplus of at least two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), both fully paid in cash, and shall have deposited with the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians securities authorized by K.S.A. -40-227 40-2a01 et seq. in an amount equal to not less than the minimum capital stock required of such company for the protection of its policyholders and/or creditors: Provided, That stock fire insurers, which were authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1970, solely to issue policies under only (one) (1) subdivision of K.S.A. 40-901, may engage in reinsurance transactions as respects the kinds and classes of insurance specified in K.S.A. 40-1102 when such insurer is possessed of a paid-up capital of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and a surplus of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000): Provided further, Such Until May 1, 1984 companies which were authorized to transact business in Kansas en subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984 shall be required to have paid-up capital stock, surplus, and deposits equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act: Provided further, That, except as otherwise provided, any stock company which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1970, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock and surplus requirements provided by this act: And provided further, That any stock company incorporated under the laws of this state on December 21, 1961, which was authorized to do business in Kansas on January 1, 1965, shall be required to have paid-up capital stock and surplus equal to that required by this section on January 1, 1965, and after May 1, 1975, such company shall comply with the paid-up capital stock and surplus requirements provided by this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989,

companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided

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 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 40-1104 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1104. Except as authorized in K.S.A. 40-209, 40-401, and 40-501, no insurance company organized under the laws of any other state, district, territory or possession of the United States shall hereafter transact any of the kinds or classes of business specified in K.S.A. 40-1102 in this state unless at the time of its application to transact such business in this state it has a capital, and surplus and deposits equal to that required of a similar domestic insurance company. Such Until May 1, 1989 companies which were authorized to do business in Kansas on subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984 shall be required to have capital stock, surplus and deposits equal to that required by this section prior to the passage of this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies

to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the paid-up capital, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act. No insurance company organized under the laws of a country other than the United States shall hereafter be authorized to transact such business in this state unless it shall satisfy the commissioner of insurance of this state that it has on deposit with American trustees, or with the proper officer or officers of a state or states of the United States, or both, satisfactory securities equal in value to the total of the capital and surplus required of a similar domestic insurance company, and that such securities are held in trust for the fulfillment by said company of all its obligations within the United States. Every such foreign insurance company, when applying for admission to transact business in this state, shall file with the commissioner of insurance (1) a copy of its charter or deed of trust or settlement and bylaws; (2) a verified detailed statement of all the items, matter and other information in regard to its affairs required by law to be stated in the annual report of a similar domestic insurance company.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 40-1204 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1204. The commissioner of insurance shall issue a certificate of authority to such company, when

it has fully complied with the following conditions:

(a) It shall hold bona fide applications for insurance upon which it shall issue simultaneously, or it shall have in force, at least two hundred (200) policies to at least two hundred (200) members for the same kind of insurance upon not less than two hundred (200) separate risks of any single class each within the maximum single risk described herein.

(b) No such insurance company organized under the laws of this state and transacting business in this state shall expose itself to loss on any one risk or hazard to an amount exceeding ten percent (10%) of its surplus unless the excess shall be reinsured in some other company duly authorized to transact similar business in this state or as otherwise provided in the insurance code and no such insurance company not organized under the laws of this state and transacting business in this state shall expose itself to loss on any one risk or hazard to an amount exceeding ten percent (10%) of its surplus unless the excess shall be reinsured either in some company duly authorized to transact similar business in this state or as provided by the laws of such company's comiciliary state.

(c) It shall have collected the full consideration according to its filed rate on each contract applied for. The total of such considerations shall be held in cash or securities in which such insurance companies are authorized by law to invest, and it shall be in the possession of a residue of lawful assets over and above all liabilities in an amount not less than the capital and surplus required of a domestic stock insurance company transacting the same kinds of insurance. Such company shall deposit with the state treasurer and commissioner of insurance as joint custodians lawful securities in an amount equal to not less than the minimum capital stock required of a domestic

stock insurance company transacting the same kinds of insurance.

(d) Such Until May 1, 1989, companies which were authorized to do business in Kansas on subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have surplus and deposits that are equal to that which was required by section (c) prior to the passage of this act.

(e) For the purpose of transacting employer's liability and workmen's compensation insurance, the application shall cover not less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) employees, each such employee being considered a separate risk for determining the maximum single risk. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies to whom this section applies immediately prior to

the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 40-1210 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1210. Any such mutual insurance company organized under the laws of any other country, state or territory, having a surplus and deposit equal to the surplus that required of a domestic company writing the same kind of business and being in possession of total assets of not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and having complied with the other requirements of this code, shall be authorized to transact business in this state; to the extent and with the powers and privileges specified in this article: Provided, That in the case of companies writing public liability and property damage insurance on taxicabs and on trucks and buses licensed by the state corporation commission shall be in possession of a surplus of not less than two hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 40-1605 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-1605. There shall be maintained at all times, unearned premiums or reserves, in cash or securities authorized by the laws of the state in which the principal office of the attorney is located, for the investment of similar funds of insurance companies doing the same kind of business, in an amount equal to a pro rata amount of the premium or deposits collected from subscribers on all unexpired risks. In addition to the assets previously provided in this section there shall also be maintained as a claim or loss reserve, cash or such securities sufficient to discharge all liability on all outstanding losses arising under policies issued, the same to be calculated in accordance with the laws of the state relating to similar reserves for companies insuring similar risks. Any reciprocal exchange shall have and maintain a surplus equal to the capital and surplus required of a domestic stock insurance company transacting the same kinds of insurance and may provide for the issuance of a nonassessable policy. Any reciprocal exchange issuing nonassessable policies shall have lawful securities on deposit, for the protection of all subscribers and/or creditors of the exchange, with the department of insurance of this or any other state in the United States in an amount equal to the minimum capital stock required of a domestic stock insurance company transacting the same kinds of insurance. Such Until May 1, 1989, companies which were authorized to do business in Kans as on subsequent to January 1, 1969, but prior to January 1, 1984, shall be required to have surplus and deposit equal to that which was required by this section prior to the passage of this act. After May 1, 1989, such companies shall comply with the paid-up capital stock, surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act.

Until May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a surplus and deposit equal to that required of such companies prior to the passage of this act. On and after May 1, 1989, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall be required to have a surplus and deposit equal to that required of all other companies to whom this section applies immediately prior to the passage of this act.

On and after May 1, 1994, companies doing business in this state on January 1, 1969 shall comply with the surplus and deposit requirements provided by this act. No reciprocal exchange shall issue any assessable insurance policies.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 40-401, 40-402, 40-901, 40-1027, 40-1102, 40-1103, 40-1104, 40-1204, 40-1210 and 40-1605 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

# EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 4

This proposal establishes some specific requirements which foreign insurance companies would have to meet in order to be granted a Kansas certificate of authority.

Currently, if it can be established that an insurer complies with the minimum financial requirements, we have little alternative but to issue a certificate. This has resulted in companies being admitted who are immediately deemed to be in a hazardous financial condition; companies whose senior management included persons who had been convicted of felonies; and insurers who were doing business in such a way that their fiscal integrity was suspect but the burden of proof to prove our suspicions was on the department and was therefore unattainable. Enactment of this proposal would provide the commissioner with some statutory authority to avoid grants of authority when concerns of this kind are present.

In addition, the department is increasingly faced with applications for admission from companies who are interested in being admitted to a large number of states but actually do business in very few. Other applications seem to be purely exploratory with no real commitment to pursuing an active business life in the Kansas community. These applications take a great deal of time to review and process. Yet under the existing structure, the fees for the work involved are collected only if a certificate of authority is issued. In order to address this problem, this proposal increases the fee for examining a charter and other documents from \$100 to \$1,000; requires the fee to be paid upon initial application for admission; and, provides that it is not refundable for any reason.

### LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL NO. 4

AN ACT relating to insurance; foreign companies; certificate of authority; requirements; fees; amending K.S.A. 40-209 and 40-252 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-209 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-209. (a) Any insurance company organized under the laws of any other country, state or territory, upon application, may be authorized to transact business in this state, when possessed of the required amount of paid-up capital and surplus, or surplus only if a mutual company, and

(1) has made the deposit required by this code with the department of insurance

of this or any other state in the United States;

(2) participates to the extent possible in the insurance regulatory information

system administered by the national association of insurance commissioners;

(3) has submitted an examination report of its financial condition and affairs which has been conducted by the insurance department of the state of domicile within three years of the date of application unless the commissioner determines that an earlier report will satisfy the purpose of this provision;

(4) demonstrates that any majority ownership interests are in sound financial

condition;

(5) is not owned, managed or controlled by persons previously convicted of criminal activity involving fraud or embezzlement or offenses of a similar nature; and,

(6) has been in operation at least three (3) years and has been the subject of an examination of its affairs and financial condition other than its organizational examination. This requirement does not apply to subsidiary or affiliate companies with substantially the same management of an admitted company, a continuing corporation resulting from merger or consolidation, or a company whose admission is determined by the commissioner to be in the best public interest;

(7) if the company will not require immediate regulatory attention by this

department upon admission pursuant to K.S.A. 40-222b;
(8) otherwise satisfies the commissioner that it is of good business repute and that issuance of a certificate of authority will not be detrimental to the best interests of the public.

(b) Provided, That Such authority shall not be granted, continued, or renewed to any insurance company owned or financially controlled, in whole or in part, by another state of the United States or by a foreign government, or by any political subdivision of either.

(c) Every such company shall file a certified copy of its charter or deed of settlement with the commissioner of insurance, together with a statement, under oath of the president, vice-president or other chief officer and the secretary of the company for which they act, stating the name of the company, the place where located, and the amount of its capital, with a detailed statement of the facts and items required from companies organized under the laws of this state; also a copy of the last annual report, if any was made, under any law of the state or country in which such company was incorporated.

(d) Upon the application of any such insurance company for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state, the commissioner of insurance shall immediately satisfy himself that the company is possessed of money and other admitted assets in excess of its liabilities, as herein provided, and that it has otherwise complied with all the other requirements of this code. He shall thereupon issue a certificate of authority to such company authorizing it to transact the classes of insurance permitted under its articles of incorporation and by the provisions of this

(e) Provided, however, That The funds of any such insurance company, in excess of the minimum paid-up capital required by this code, may at all times be invested in such securities as are or may be authorized by the laws of the state in which such company is organized or in which it has and maintains its United States deposits.

(f) Provided further, That The commissioner of insurance may, upon renewal of a certificate of authority, waive any of the above requirements except those relating to

assets, capital and surplus.

Whenever any insurance company organized under the laws of any other (g) country, state or territory is issued a certificate of authority to transact insurance in this state by the commissioner of insurance pursuant to this section, such company shall not be required to comply with the provisions of the general corporation code relating to foreign corporations, nor shall any such company be required to file with the secretary of state its articles of incorporation, charter, bylaws or other documents, or any amendments thereof, unless specifically required to do so by law.

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Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-252 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-252. Every insurance company or fraternal benefit society organized under the laws of this state or doing business in this state shall pay to the commissioner of insurance fees and taxes specified in the following schedule:

Insurance companies organized under the laws of this state:

Capital stock insurance companies other than burial insurance companies and mutual legal reserve life insurance companies:

Filing application for sale of stock or certificates of indebtedness \$25.00 Admission fees:

Examination of charter and other documents 55.00 1000.00

Filing annual statement 100.00

Certificate of authority 10.00

Annual fees:

Filing annual statement 100.00

Continuation of certificate of authority 10.00

2. Mutual life, accident and health associations:

Admission fees:

Examination of charter and other documents \$55.00 1000.00

Filing annual statement 100.00

Certificate of authority 10.00

Annual fees:

Filing annual statement 100.00

Continuation of certificate of authority 10.00

 Mutual fire, hail, casualty and multiple line insurers and reciprocal or interinsurance exchanges:

Admission fees:

Examination of charter and other documents \$55.00 1000.00

Filing annual statement 100.00

Certificate of authority 10.00

Annual fees:

Filing annual statement 100.00

Continuation of certificate of authority 10.00

4. Burial insurance companies:

Filing application for sale of stock \$25.00

Annual fees:

Filing annual statement 100.00

Continuation of certificate of authority 10.00

In addition to the above fees and as a condition precedent to the continuation of the certificate of authority provided in this code, all such companies shall pay a fee of \$2 for each agent certified by the company and shall also pay a tax annually upon all premiums received on risk located in this state at the rate of 1% per annum less any taxes paid on business in this state pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-1701 and 75-1508, and any amendments thereto. In the computation of the gross premiums all such companies shall be entitled to deduct any premiums returned on account of cancellations, all premiums received for reinsurance from any other company authorized to do business in this state, dividends returned to policyholders and premiums received in connection with the funding of a pension, deferred compensation, annuity or profit-sharing plan qualified or exempt under sections 401, 403, 404, 408, 457 or 501 of the United States internal revenue code. Should any such company remove or maintain, or both, either their home, principal or executive office or offices from this state, every such company shall be subject to the provisions of subsection D of this section.

118 Fraternal benefit societies organized under the laws of this state:

119 Admission fees:

Examination of charter and other documents \$55.00 1000.00

Filing annual statement 100.00

Certificate of authority 10.00

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Mutual nonprofit hospital service corporations, nonprofit medical service corporations, nonprofit dental service corporations and nonprofit optometric service corporations organized under the laws of this state:

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In addition to the above fees and as a condition precedent to the continuation of the certificate of authority, provided in this code, every corporation or association shall pay annually to the commissioner of insurance a privilege fee in an amount equal to 1% per annum of the total of all premiums, subscription charges, or any other term which may be used to describe the charges made by such corporation or association to subscribers for hospital, medical or other health services or indemnity received during the preceding year. In such computations all such corporations or associations shall be entitled to deduct any premiums or subscription charges returned on account of cancellations and dividends returned to members or subscribers.

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Insurance companies organized under the laws of any other state, territory or country: Capital stock insurance companies other than burial insurance companies, and mutual legal reserve life insurance companies:

Filing application for sale of stock or certificates of indebtedness \$25.00 Admission fees:

Examination of charter and other documents 55.00 1000.00

Filing annual statement 100.00

Certificate of authority 10.00

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Continuation of certificate of authority 10.00

In addition to the above fees all such companies shall pay \$5 for each agent certified by the company, except as otherwise provided by law.

As a condition precedent to the continuation of the certificate of authority, provided in this code, every company organized under the laws of any other state of the United States or of any foreign country shall pay a tax upon all premiums received during the preceding year at the rate of 2% per annum. In the computation of the gross premiums all such companies shall be entitled to deduct any premiums returned on account of cancellations, dividends returned to policyholders and all premiums received for reinsurance from any other company authorized to do business in this state and premiums received in connection with the funding of a pension, deferred compensation, annuity or profit-sharing plan qualified or exempt under sections 401, 403, 404, 408, 457 or 501 of the United States internal revenue code.

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In addition to the above fees and as a condition precedent to the continuation of the certificate of authority, provided in this code, every corporation or association shall pay annually to the commissioner of insurance a privilege fee in an amount equal to 2% per annum of the total of all premiums, subscription charges, or any other term which may be used to describe the charges made by such corporation or association to subscribers in this state for hospital, medical or other health services or indemnity received during the preceding year. In such computations all such corporations or associations shall be entitled to deduct any premiums or subscription charges returned on account of cancellations and dividends returned to members or subscribers.

All insurers shall pay a fee of \$10 for issuance of an amended certificate of authority.

For the purpose of insuring the collection of the tax upon premiums, assessments and charges as set out in subsection A, C, D and F, every insurance company, corporation or association shall at the time it files its annual statement, as required by the provisions of K.S.A. 40-225, make a return, verified by affidavits of its president and secretary or other chief officers, to the commissioner of insurance, stating the amount of all premiums, assessments and charges received by the companies or corporations in this state, whether in cash or notes, during the year ending on the December 31 next preceding. Upon the receipt of such returns the commissioner of insurance shall verify the same and assess the taxes upon such companies, corporations or associations on the basis and at the rate provided herein and such taxes shall thereupon become due and payable.

 The fee prescribed for the examination of charters and other documents shall apply to each company's initial application for admission and shall not be refundable for any reason.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-209 and K.S.A. 40-252 are hereby repealed.

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

#### STATEMENT OF THE KANSAS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

The Kansas Hospital Association appears before you today in support of minor amendments to the Kansas Uniform Consumer Credit Code that would relieve small hospitals that do not engage in true credit transactions of the obligation to register with the Consumer Credit Commissioner or comply with the numerous disclosure requirements.

The present version of the UCCC provides that it is applicable to "consumer credit transactions" made in this state. K.S.A. 16a-1-201(1). The term "consumer credit transaction" is then defined in K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301(11) as a "consumer credit sale, consumer lease, or consumer loan" or change in terms of one of those three types of transactions. Each of the terms "consumer credit sale," "consumer lease," and "consumer loan" are further defined in the definitions section of the UCCC, K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301. The provision that is of most interest to hospitals is the definition of "consumer credit sale," found in K.S.A 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301(10). Subsection (a) of that provision provides as follows:

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a
  "consumer credit sale" is a sale of goods, services, or an interest in land in which:
- (i) Credit is granted either by a seller who regularly engages as a seller in credit transactions of the same kind or pursuant to a credit card other than a lender credit card,
- (ii) the buyer is a person other than an organization,
- (iii) the goods, services, or interest in land are purchased primarily for a personal, family or household purpose,
- (iv) either the debt is payable in installments or a finance charge is made, and
- (v) with respect to a sale of goods or services, the amount financed does not exceed \$25,000.
- K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301(10)(a) (emphasis added).

As applied to hospitals, the most important provisions in the definition of "consumer credit sale" are those underlined, subsections (i) and (iv). Subsection (i) of the definition defines the entity that must grant the "credit" (defined in section (14) of the definition as a right granted to defer payment by a "creditor"). Subsection (iv) of the definition -- one that has a major impact upon hospitals -- provides that a transaction that meets the other definitional elements of "consumer credit sale" falls under the Code if a finance charge is imposed or if the debt is "payable in installments."

The Kansas Hospital Association <u>does not</u> suggest that those hospitals that impose a finance charge on unpaid bills should be excluded from the coverage of the act. Rather, the concern of the Association is with the term "payable in installments." That term is specifically defined in K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301(27), in part, as an arrangement by which payment is required or permitted "by agreement" in four or more payments. In turn, the term "agreement" is defined in K.S.A. 16a-1-301(3) as simply the "bargain of the parties" as indicated by all of the circumstances.

The Consumer Credit Commissioner has interpreted the definition of "agreement" quite broadly so as to encompass an informal arrangement by which a hospital permits a patient to pay off a bill by paying an amount each month until it is fully satisfied. Indeed, the Commissioner appears to have interpreted the language so as to include even an informal arrangement by which a hospital accepts installments made by a patient without prior discussion with the hospital.

Because of the Commissioner's position that all such arrangements constitute consumer credit sales, all hospitals in the state would be subject to registration. The Kansas Hospital Association believes that the legislature did not intend such informal arrangements to be subject to the act. If a hospital is to be subjected to the act because of such informal arrangements, much more is involved than mere registration and payment of a small fee to the Consumer Credit Commissioner. Various disclosure requirements are imposed by the UCCC in K.S.A. 16a-3-201 -The most burdensome is that which requires complete disclosure, pursuant to the federal Truth-In-Lending Act, of all terms of the transaction. The federal Truth-In-Lending Act is an extremely complex act that is constantly changing because of new interpretations based upon minor technicalities. Small hospitals simply do not have the staff or resources to monitor that Act and comply with its ever-changing requirements.

The Kansas Hospital Association suggests that the amendment to the term "creditor" presently in Senate Bill 471 does not solve the problem of small hospitals that informally allow patients to pay bills in installments. As was pointed out previously, the impact of the Act upon small hospitals is caused by two separate subsections in the general definition of "consumer credit sale." The present proposed amendment addresses only one of those problems.

The proposed amendment to the definition of the term "creditor" would exclude hospitals that only occasionally enter into arrangements for payment of a hospital bill in installments. However, it fails to address the principal problem of informal arrangements for repayment made with patients on a relatively frequent basis. The initial element of a consumer credit sale, as stated in subsection (i) of the definition, is that there be an extension of "credit." That term is defined, in turn, in K.S.A. 1982 Supp. 16a-1-301(14) as a right granted by a "creditor" to defer payment. The proposed definition of the term "creditor" in SB 471 would make clear that institutions that only rarely enter into credit transactions are not intended to be within the scope of the Act. However, the change in the definition "creditor" would not appear to alter the interpretation of the Consumer Credit Commissioner as to particular transactions.

In other words, the proposed amendment would mean that the coverage of the Act is limited to those institutions that regularly extend credit payable by written agreement in more than four installments or for which payment of a finance charge is required. The proposed amendment does not affect the language that defines a particular consumer credit sale as simply a debt that is payable in installments, whether by written agreement or otherwise. That means that the principal concern of Kansas hospitals — that they not be required to comply with the Act when an informal payment schedule is agreed to — would not be solved.

The Kansas Hospital Association recognizes that concerns as to the practices of other types of institutions may make the committee reluctant to modify other definitions of the UCCC. For that reason, the Kansas Hospital Association proposes the following language as an amendment to K.S.A. 16a-1-202, which provides certain exclusions from the act:

(6) any agreement between a medical care facility licensed by the Department of Health and Environment and a patient or a person responsible for a patient's bill for payment of such bill in installments if no finance charge is imposed by the medical care facility upon the unpaid balance.

In the alternative, the Kansas Hospital Association suggests that the applicable provisions of the UCCC be amended so as to make clear that it is not intended to apply to the informal repayment of a bill without a finance charge. The proposed amendments are attached hereto as Exhibit A.



- 0083 (10) "Consumer credit sale":
- 0084 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a "consumer credit 0085 sale" is a sale of goods, services, or an interest in land in which:
- 0086 (i) Credit is granted either by a seller who regularly engages 0087 as a seller in credit transactions of the same kind or pursuant to a 0088 credit card other than a lender credit card,
- 0089 (ii) the buyer is a person other than an organization,
- 0090 (iii) the goods, services, or interest in land are purchased 0091 primarily for a personal, family or household purpose,
- 0092 (iv) either the debt is payable in installments or a finance 0093 charge is made, and
- 0094 (v) with respect to a sale of goods or services, the amount 0095 financed does not exceed \$25,000.
- 0096 (b) A "consumer credit sale" does not include:
- 0097 (i) A sale in which the seller allows the buyer to purchase 0098 goods or services pursuant to a lender credit card; or
- 0099 (ii) unless the sale is made subject to K.S.A. 16a-1-101 0100 through 16a-9-102, and amendments thereto, by agreement (sec-0101 tion 16a-1-109), a sale of an interest in land, other than sales 0102 governed by subsection (10)(b)(iii) of this section, if the finance 0103 charge does not exceed 12% per year calculated according to the 0104 actuarial method on the unpaid balances of the amount financed 0105 on the assumption that the debt will be paid according to the 0106 agreed terms and will not be paid before the end of the agreed 0107 term; or
- 0108 (iii) a sale by contract for deed of real estate the interest rate 0109 of which is governed by subsection (b) or (h) of K.S.A. 16-207, 0110 and any amendments thereto.
- 0111 (11) "Consumer credit transaction" means a consumer credit 0112 sale, consumer lease, or consumer loan or a modification thereof 0113 including a refinancing, consolidation, or deferral.
- 0114 (12) "Consumer lease": A "consumer lease" is a lease of 0115 goods:
- 0116 (a) Which a lessor regularly engaged in the business of leas-0117 ing makes to a person, other than an organization, who takes 0118 under the lease primarily for a personal, family or household 0119 purpose;

(iv) either the debt is by written agreement payable in installments or a finance charge is made, and





0305 the lessee has an option to purchase the interest and all or a 0306 substantial part of the rental or other payments previously made 0307 by the lessee are applied to the purchase price.

- 0308 (34) "Sale of services" means furnishing or agreeing to fur-0309 nish services and includes making arrangements to have services 0310 furnished by another.
- 0311 (35) "Seller": Except as otherwise provided, "seller" in-0312 cludes an assignee of the seller's right to payment but use of the 0313 term does not in itself impose on an assignee any obligation of 0314 the seller with respect to events occurring before the assign-0315 ment.
- 0316 (36) "Services" includes (a) work, labor, and other personal 0317 services, (b) privileges with respect to transportation, hotel and 0318 restaurant accommodations, education, entertainment, recre0319 ation, physical culture, hospital accommodations, funerals, cem0320 etery accommodations, and the like, and (c) insurance.
- 0321 (37) "Supervised financial organization" means a person, 0322 other than an insurance company or other organization primarily 0323 engaged in an insurance business:
- 0324 (a) Organized, chartered, or holding an authorization certifi-0325 cate under the laws of this state or of the United States which 0326 authorize the person to make loans and to receive deposits, 0327 including a savings, share, certificate or deposit account; and
- 0328 (b) subject to supervision by an official or agency of this state 0329 or of the United States.
- 0330 (38) "Supervised lender" means a person authorized to make 0331 or take assignments of supervised loans, either under a license 0332 issued by the administrator (section 16a-2-301); or as a super-0333 vised financial organization (section 16a-1-301(37)) or as an agri-0334 cultural credit corporation (section 16a-2-301).
- 0335 (39) "Supervised loan" means a consumer loan, including a 0336 loan made pursuant to open end credit, in which the rate of the 0337 finance charge, calculated according to the actuarial method, 0338 exceeds 12% per year.
- 0339 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1983 Supp. 16a-1-301 is hereby repealed.
- O340 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and O341 after its publication in the statute book.

(40) "Written agreement" means an agreement such as a promissory note, contract or lease that is evidence of the indebtedness; a letter that merely confirms an oral agreement does not constitute a written agreement for purposes of this section.

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