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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Sutton and the House Committee on Insurance
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: February 11, 2026
Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2564

House Bill 2564 amends K.S.A. 40-2,227, relating to the requirements for methods of payments made by dental benefit plans. Under current law, when initiating or changing payments to a dentist using electronic funds transfer payments, a dental benefit plan, the plan's contracted vendor or health maintenance organization is required to notify the dentist if there are fees associated with a particular payment method and to advise the dentist about the available methods of payment and how to select an alternate payment method.

The bill would add a third requirement. The new requirement would be for the dental benefit plan, the plan's contracted vendor or health maintenance organization to require the dental provider or provider's designee to expressly accept a payment of a claim using either credit card or electronic funds transfer. Express acceptance would be expressed through clear and direct agreement to the terms of the payment method, communicated explicitly by the dental plan to the dentist in writing. Further, the dentist's selected form of claim payment methodology would remain effective until the dentist chooses an alternative method of payment or until a new contract is executed.

If approved, the bill would become effective upon its publication in the statute book.