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SB 54

Written Testimony Before the Senate Judiciary Committee

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Madam Chair and Members of the Committee;

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on behalf of the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies (KAPCIC), our state trade association for domestic property and casualty insurance companies. Most of the KAPCIC member companies are domiciled Kansas companies and our members live and work here in the state.

KAPCIC supports SB 54 which authorizes a party to obtain discovery of the existence and content of an agreement for third-party funding of litigation under the code of civil procedure. KAPCIC supports these provisions because it helps shine light on those supporting litigation costs in the state and provides additional transparency for businesses and consumers in the state.

With insurance costs increasing because of increased weather events, higher costs of materials and labor and increased litigation in the state, this proposal can also help mitigate a small portion of those increases.

We appreciate your consideration and support of SB 54.

Thank you for your time and contact me with any questions that you may have.