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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: February 26, 2025
Subject: Bill Brief on HB 2039

House Bill 2039 amends definitions in the Kansas credentialing act to provide that certain entities providing physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology are not home health agencies.

HB 2039 amends K.S.A. 65-5101, which is the definitions section for the act that governs home health agency licensure and regulation. Subsection (c)(2) adds new language to exclude certain types of providers from the definition of "home health agency". This bill provides that entities that are not reimbursed by medicare part A and that only providing the services of individuals licensed or certified to provide physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology are not home health agencies and thus would not be required to follow the licensure or regulatory requirements of this act.

This bill would take effect upon publication in the statute book, July 1, 2025.

There were no amendments and the bill passed out of the house on a vote of 119-0.