

HOUSE BILL No. 2507

By Committee on Higher Education

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AN ACT relating to regents supervised institutions; concerning group health coverage for certain personnel.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. As used in this act, “regents supervised institutions” means community colleges, state educational institutions, as defined by K.S.A. 76-711 and amendments thereto, and technical colleges.

Sec. 2. (a) The state of Kansas recognizes the responsibility to offer appropriate health benefits to its employees. Persons serving as adjunct faculty at one or more regents supervised institutions, and cumulatively providing at least seven credit hours of instruction in any semester, may elect to obtain group health coverage from one of the regents supervised institutions at which such person serves as a faculty member.

(b) The regents supervised institution which the faculty member selects for health benefits coverage shall be responsible for the remittance of the employer and employee contributions for health benefit coverage. Employer contributions for such coverage shall be prorated among the regents supervised institutions at which the faculty member teaches.

Sec. 3. The board of regents shall institute such policies and procedures so as to ensure that eligible persons may apply for health benefits coverage in a timely manner, that such persons are not discriminated against in terms of hiring or retention by the affected institutions, and such employees are notified as early as possible of their teaching responsibilities for the next semester.

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