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DEPARTMENT

Vicki Schmidt, Commissioner

**Proponent Testimony for SB 19 – Technical change to the premium tax filing date for
Group-Funded Pools**

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Chairman Sutton and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill 19.

Senate Bill 19 amends K.S.A. 12-2624 and K.S.A. 44-588, concerning premium tax collection and filing deadlines for group-funded pools.

The statutory premium tax filing deadline for group-funded pools is 90 days after the end of each “*fiscal year*.” In the past, the Department has used each pool’s fiscal year for determining the tax filing deadline. Of the 17 group-funded pools transacting business in the state, 12 pools, or 70 percent, conclude their respective fiscal years on December 31—for that reason the Department proposes setting this filing deadline to be 90 days after that date, or March 31.

Replacing “*fiscal year*” with “*calendar year*” in statute would better align with the Department’s business practices and eliminate the ambiguity concerning the definition of fiscal year.

Senate Bill 19 passed the Senate Committee of the Whole with a vote of 39-0.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 19 and I’m happy to take any questions.

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