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#### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2284

As Amended by House Committee on Health and Human Services

#### Brief\*

HB 2284, as amended, would require the Department of Administration (DOA) to adopt written policies regarding the negotiated procurement of contracted Medicaid services provided by managed care organizations. The written policies would be required to have an appeals process, which would be overseen and adjudicated by an appeals committee composed of ten members of the Legislature.

## Written Policy Requirements

The bill would require the DOA to adopt and implement a written policy to govern the negotiated procurement of Medicaid services by July 1, 2026. The bill would require the written policies to include the following:

- Prohibition on the destruction of records, including evaluation documents, that would be in compliance with the Kansas Open Records Act;
- Adoption of a tiebreak procedure if part of the evaluation process used to make award recommendations involves scoring by individuals or committees;
- Requirement to be transparent with the Legislature during each step of the procurement process to the fullest extent permitted by state law; and

<sup>\*</sup>Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <a href="https://klrd.gov/">https://klrd.gov/</a>

 An appeals process overseen and adjudicated by an appeals committee. The committee would oversee and adjudicate appeals in accordance with the policies adopted by the DOA.

## Appeals Committee Membership

The bill would create an appeals committee that would be composed of the following ten members of the Legislature:

- Senate President;
- Chair and Ranking Minority Member of the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance;
- Chair and Ranking Minority Member of the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare:
- Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- Chair and Ranking Minority Member of the House Committee on Insurance: and
- Chair and Ranking Minority Member of the House Committee on Health and Human Services.

# **Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of Representative W. Carpenter on behalf of the Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight.

### House Committee on Health and Human Services

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by Representative W. Carpenter, who generally

stated the need for guardrails regarding the procurement of KanCare given the budgeted cost of \$4.0 billion.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to include the appeals process and oversight by an appeals committee.

# **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the DOA state enactment of the bill would not result in a fiscal effect for either agency.

Kansas Open Records Act; Medicaid; procurement; Department of Administration