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SB 24 Before the House Insurance Committee Marlee Carpenter, Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies

Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee;

Thank you for the opportunity to present information on behalf of the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies (KAPCIC), our state trade association for domestic property and casualty insurance companies.

The risk-based capital provisions are used by the states as a standardized method of monitoring the solvency of insurers and assessing the need for regulatory control levels. The statute permits the Insurance Commissioner to adopt suggested updates for the RBC calculations, subject to two guidelines—a change of more than 2.5% of the adjusted capital of a domestic company or change in the applicable control level. This year, companies are healthy, but have had a change of more than 2.5% of adjusted capital.

KAPCIC members support the passage of SB 24 and the date change encompassed in the bill. This bill is necessary to the domestic insurance industry in the state. We urge its passage and fully support SB 24.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with the committee members, the Department of Insurance and other stakeholders on the passage of SB 24.