OPEN RECORDS REVIEW - SUBSTANTIALLY AMENDED AND NEW EXCEPTIONS

2010 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

RE: K.S.A. 45-229 Certified for Calendar Year 2014 Exceptions Expire July 1, 2015

Substantially Amended Exception

None

New Exceptions

45-221 (a)(49)	Individual's contact information
48-16a10	Radon testing, analysis and mitigation
58-4616	Housing, common interest communities
74-50,217	Information under promoting employment across Kansas act

Expiration by Separate Statute

60-3351	Insurance compliance self-evaluation audit
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Expiration of Exceptions Continued until July 1, 2015, under K.S.A. 45-229 (i)(2)				
17-2036	Trusts, applications for extension for filing income tax returns			
40-5301	Interstate insurance product regulation compact			
45-221(a)(45)	Security measures			
45-221(a)(46)	Register of deeds information from military discharge papers			
60-3351	Insurance compliance self-evaluation audit			
72-972a	Due process school hearing complaint notice			
74-99d05	Kansas electric transmission authority records			
75-53,105	Records concerning persons involved in programs for vulnerable children			

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- 17-2036. Same; annual reports; contents; annual report fee; penalties for noncompliance; applications for extension for filing income tax returns, confidentiality. (a) Every business trust shall make an annual report in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the business trust at the close of business on the last day of its tax period under the Kansas income tax act next preceding the date of filing, but if a business trust's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period. The reports shall be made on forms provided by the secretary of state and shall be filed at the time prescribed by law for filing the business trust's annual Kansas income tax return. The report shall be dated, signed by a trustee or other authorized officer under penalty of perjury, and contain the following:
- (1) Executed copies of all amendments to the instrument by which the business trust was created, or to prior amendments thereto, which have been adopted and have not theretofore been filed under K.S.A. 17-2033, and amendments thereto, and accompanied by the fee prescribed therein for each such amendment; and
 - (2) a verified list of the names and addresses of its trustees as of the end of its tax period.
- (b) (1) At the time of filing its annual report, the business trust shall pay to the secretary of state an annual report fee in an amount equal to \$40.
- (2) The failure of any domestic or foreign business trust to file its annual report and pay its annual report fee within 90 days from the date on which they are due, as aforesaid, shall work a forfeiture of its authority to transact business in this state and all of the remedies, procedures, and penalties specified in K.S.A. 17-7509 and 17-7510, and amendments thereto, with respect to a corporation which fails to file its annual report or pay its annual report fee within 90 days after they are due, shall be applicable to such business trust.
- (c) All copies of applications for extension of the time for filing income tax returns submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to law shall be maintained by the secretary of state in a confidential file and shall not be disclosed to any person except as authorized pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-3234, and amendments thereto, a proper judicial order and subsection (d). All copies of such applications shall be preserved for one year and until the secretary of state orders that the copies are to be destroyed.
- (d) A copy of such application shall be open to inspection by or disclosure to any person designated by resolution of the trustees of the business trust.

History: L. 1961, ch. 127, § 10; L. 1973, ch. 91, § 4; L. 1999, ch. 41, § 1; L. 2002, ch. 185, § 39; L. 2004, ch. 171, § 16; L. 2005, ch. 157, § 3; L. 2007, ch. 81, § 1; July 1.

Revisor's Note:

Section was amended twice during the 2004 session, see also 17-2036a.

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40-5301. Interstate insurance product regulation compact. This act may be cited as the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact.

ARTICLE I.

PURPOSES

The purposes of this Compact are, through means of joint and cooperative action among the Compacting States:

- 1. To promote and protect the interest of consumers of individual and group annuity, life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance products;
 - 2. To develop uniform standards for insurance products covered under the Compact;
- 3. To establish a central clearinghouse to receive and provide prompt review of insurance products covered under the Compact and in certain cases, advertisements related thereto, submitted by insurers authorized to do business in one or more Compacting States;
- 4. To give appropriate regulatory approval to those product filings and advertisements satisfying the applicable uniform standard;
- 5. To improve coordination of regulatory resources and expertise between state insurance departments regarding the setting of uniform standards and review of insurance products covered under the Compact;
 - 6. To create the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission; and
- 7. To perform these and such other related functions as may be consistent with the state regulation of the business of insurance.

ARTICLE II.

DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Compact:

- 1. "Advertisement" means any material designed to create public interest in a Product, or induce the public to purchase, increase, modify, reinstate, borrow on, surrender, replace or retain a policy, as more specifically defined in the Rules and Operating Procedures of the Commission.
- 2. "Bylaws" mean those bylaws established by the Commission for its governance, or for directing or controlling the Commission's actions or conduct.
- 3. "Compacting State" means any State which has enacted this Compact legislation and which has not withdrawn pursuant to Article XIV, Section 1, or been terminated pursuant to Article XIV, Section 2.
- 4. "Commission" means the "Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission" established by this Compact.
- 5. "Commissioner" means the chief insurance regulatory official of a State including, but not limited to commissioner, superintendent, director or administrator.
- 6. "Domiciliary State" means the state in which an Insurer is incorporated or organized; or, in the case of an alien Insurer, its state of entry.
- 7. "Insurer" means any entity licensed by a State to issue contracts of insurance for any of the lines of insurance covered by this Act.
- 8. "Member" means the person chosen by a Compacting State as its representative to the Commission, or his or her designee.
 - 9. "Non-compacting State" means any State which is not at the time a Compacting State.
- 10. "Operating Procedures" mean procedures promulgated by the Commission implementing a Rule, Uniform Standard or a provision of this Compact.
- 11. "Product" means the form of a policy or contract, including any application, endorsement, or related form which is attached to and made a part of the policy or contract, and any evidence of coverage or

certificate, for an individual or group annuity, life insurance, disability income or long-term care insurance product that an Insurer is authorized to issue.

- 12. "Rule" means a statement of general or particular applicability and future effect promulgated by the Commission, including a Uniform Standard developed pursuant to Article VII of this Compact, designed to implement, interpret, or prescribe law or policy or describing the organization, procedure, or practice requirements of the Commission, which shall have the force and effect of law in the Compacting States.
 - 13. "State" means any state, district or territory of the United States of America.
- 14. "Third-Party Filer" means an entity that submits a Product filing to the Commission on behalf of an Insurer.
- 15. "Uniform Standard" means a standard adopted by the Commission for a Product line, pursuant to Article VII of this Compact, and shall include all of the Product requirements in aggregate; provided, that each Uniform Standard shall be construed, whether express or implied, to prohibit the use of any inconsistent, misleading or ambiguous provisions in a Product and the form of the Product made available to the public shall not be unfair, inequitable or against public policy as determined by the Commission.

ARTICLE III.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSION

AND VENUE

- 1. The Compacting States hereby create and establish a joint public agency known as the "Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission." Pursuant to Article IV, the Commission will have the power to develop Uniform Standards for Product lines, receive and provide prompt review of Products filed therewith, and give approval to those Product filings satisfying applicable Uniform Standards; provided, it is not intended for the Commission to be the exclusive entity for receipt and review of insurance product filings. Nothing herein shall prohibit any Insurer from filing its product in any State wherein the Insurer is licensed to conduct the business of insurance; and any such filing shall be subject to the laws of the State where filed.
 - 2. The Commission is a body corporate and politic, and an instrumentality of the Compacting States.
- 3. The Commission is solely responsible for its liabilities except as otherwise specifically provided in this Compact.
- 4. Venue is proper and judicial proceedings by or against the Commission shall be brought solely and exclusively in a Court of competent jurisdiction where the principal office of the Commission is located.

ARTICLE IV.

POWERS OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission shall have the following powers:

- 1. To promulgate Rules, pursuant to Article VII of this Compact, which shall have the force and effect of law and shall be binding in the Compacting States to the extent and in the manner provided in this Compact;
- 2. To exercise its rulemaking authority and establish reasonable Uniform Standards for Products covered under the Compact, and Advertisement related thereto, which shall have the force and effect of law and shall be binding in the Compacting States, but only for those Products filed with the Commission, provided, that a Compacting State shall have the right to opt out of such Uniform Standard pursuant to Article VII, to the extent and in the manner provided in this Compact, and, provided further, that any Uniform Standard established by the Commission for long-term care insurance products may provide the same or greater protections for consumers as, but shall not provide less than, those protections set forth in the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, Long-Term Care Insurance Model Act and Long-Term Care Insurance Model Regulation, respectively, adopted as of 2001. The Commission shall consider whether any subsequent amendments to the NAIC Long-Term Care Insurance Model Act or Long-Term Care Insurance Model Regulation adopted by the NAIC require amending of the Uniform Standards established by the Commission for long-term care insurance products;
 - 3. To receive and review in an expeditious manner Products filed with the Commission, and rate filings

for disability income and long-term care insurance Products, and give approval of those Products and rate filings that satisfy the applicable Uniform Standard, where such approval shall have the force and effect of law and be binding on the Compacting States to the extent and in the manner provided in the Compact;

- 4. To receive and review in an expeditious manner Advertisement relating to long-term care insurance products for which Uniform Standards have been adopted by the Commission, and give approval to all Advertisement that satisfies the applicable Uniform Standard. For any product covered under this Compact, other than long-term care insurance products, the Commission shall have the authority to require an insurer to submit all or any part of its Advertisement with respect to that product for review or approval prior to use, if the Commission determines that the nature of the product is such that an Advertisement of the product could have the capacity or tendency to mislead the public. The actions of Commission as provided in this section shall have the force and effect of law and shall be binding in the Compacting States to the extent and in the manner provided in the Compact;
- 5. To exercise its rulemaking authority and designate Products and Advertisement that may be subject to a self-certification process without the need for prior approval by the Commission;
- 6. To promulgate Operating Procedures, pursuant to Article VII of this Compact, which shall be binding in the Compacting States to the extent and in the manner provided in this Compact;
- 7. To bring and prosecute legal proceedings or actions in its name as the Commission; provided, that the standing of any state insurance department to sue or be sued under applicable law shall not be affected;
- 8. To issue subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of evidence;
 - 9. To establish and maintain offices;
 - 10. To purchase and maintain insurance and bonds;
- 11. To borrow, accept or contract for services of personnel, including, but not limited to, employees of a Compacting State;
- 12. To hire employees, professionals or specialists, and elect or appoint officers, and to fix their compensation, define their duties and give them appropriate authority to carry out the purposes of the Compact, and determine their qualifications; and to establish the Commission's personnel policies and programs relating to, among other things, conflicts of interest, rates of compensation and qualifications of personnel;
- 13. To accept any and all appropriate donations and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials and services, and to receive, utilize and dispose of the same; provided that at all times the Commission shall strive to avoid any appearance of impropriety;
- 14. To lease, purchase, accept appropriate gifts or donations of, or otherwise to own, hold, improve or use, any property, real, personal or mixed; provided that at all times the Commission shall strive to avoid any appearance of impropriety;
- 15. To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, abandon or otherwise dispose of any property, real, personal or mixed;
- 16. To remit filing fees to Compacting States as may be set forth in the Bylaws, Rules or Operating Procedures;
- 17. To enforce compliance by Compacting States with Rules, Uniform Standards, Operating Procedures and Bylaws;
 - 18. To provide for dispute resolution among Compacting States;
- 19. To advise Compacting States on issues relating to Insurers domiciled or doing business in Non-compacting jurisdictions, consistent with the purposes of this Compact;
- 20. To provide advice and training to those personnel in state insurance departments responsible for product review, and to be a resource for state insurance departments;
 - 21. To establish a budget and make expenditures;

- 22. To borrow money;
- 23. To appoint committees, including advisory committees comprising Members, state insurance regulators, state legislators or their representatives, insurance industry and consumer representatives, and such other interested persons as may be designated in the Bylaws;
 - 24. To provide and receive information from, and to cooperate with law enforcement agencies;
 - 25. To adopt and use a corporate seal; and
- 26. To perform such other functions as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Compact consistent with the state regulation of the business of insurance.

ARTICLE V.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION

- 1. Membership, Voting and Bylaws
- a. Each Compacting State shall have and be limited to one Member. Each Member shall be qualified to serve in that capacity pursuant to applicable law of the Compacting State. Any Member may be removed or suspended from office as provided by the law of the State from which he or she shall be appointed. Any vacancy occurring in the Commission shall be filled in accordance with the laws of the Compacting State wherein the vacancy exists. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect the manner in which a Compacting State determines the election or appointment and qualification of its own Commissioner.
- b. Each Member shall be entitled to one vote and shall have an opportunity to participate in the governance of the Commission in accordance with the Bylaws. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, no action of the Commission with respect to the promulgation of a Uniform Standard shall be effective unless two-thirds ($^2/_3$) of the Members vote in favor thereof.
- c. The Commission shall, by a majority of the Members, prescribe Bylaws to govern its conduct as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes, and exercise the powers, of the Compact, including, but not limited to:
 - i. establishing the fiscal year of the Commission;
- ii. providing reasonable procedures for appointing and electing members, as well as holding meetings, of the Management Committee;
- iii. providing reasonable standards and procedures: (i) for the establishment and meetings of other committees, and (ii) governing any general or specific delegation of any authority or function of the Commission;

iv. providing reasonable procedures for calling and conducting meetings of the Commission that consists of a majority of Commission members, ensuring reasonable advance notice of each such meeting, and providing for the right of citizens to attend each such meeting with enumerated exceptions designed to protect the public's interest, the privacy of individuals, and insurers, proprietary information, including trade secrets. The Commission may meet in camera only after a majority of the entire membership votes to close a meeting en toto or in part. As soon as practicable, the Commission must make public (i) a copy of the vote to close the meeting revealing the vote of each Member with no proxy votes allowed, and (ii) votes taken during such meeting;

- v. establishing the titles, duties and authority and reasonable procedures for the election of the officers of the Commission;
- vi. providing reasonable standards and procedures for the establishment of the personnel policies and programs of the Commission. Notwithstanding any civil service or other similar laws of any Compacting State, the Bylaws shall exclusively govern the personnel policies and programs of the Commission;
- vii. promulgating a code of ethics to address permissible and prohibited activities of commission members and employees; and
- viii. providing a mechanism for winding up the operations of the Commission and the equitable disposition of any surplus funds that may exist after the termination of the Compact after the payment and/or

reserving of all of its debts and obligations.

- d. The Commission shall publish its bylaws in a convenient form and file a copy thereof and a copy of any amendment thereto, with the appropriate agency or officer in each of the Compacting States.
 - 2. Management Committee, Officers and Personnel
- a. A Management Committee comprising no more than fourteen (14) members shall be established as follows:
- (i) One (1) member from each of the six (6) Compacting States with the largest premium volume for individual and group annuities, life, disability income and long-term care insurance products, determined from the records of the NAIC for the prior year;
- (ii) Four (4) members from those Compacting States with at least two percent (2%) of the market based on the premium volume described above, other than the six (6) Compacting States with the largest premium volume, selected on a rotating basis as provided in the Bylaws, and:
- (iii) Four (4) members from those Compacting States with less than two percent (2%) of the market, based on the premium volume described above, with one (1) selected from each of the four (4) zone regions of the NAIC as provided in the Bylaws.
- b. The Management Committee shall have such authority and duties as may be set forth in the Bylaws, including but not limited to:
- i. managing the affairs of the Commission in a manner consistent with the Bylaws and purposes of the Commission;
- ii. establishing and overseeing an organizational structure within, and appropriate procedures for, the Commission to provide for the creation of Uniform Standards and other Rules, receipt and review of product filings, administrative and technical support functions, review of decisions regarding the disapproval of a product filing, and the review of elections made by a Compacting State to opt out of a Uniform Standard; provided that a Uniform Standard shall not be submitted to the Compacting States for adoption unless approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Management Committee;
 - iii. overseeing the offices of the Commission; and
- iv. planning, implementing, and coordinating communications and activities with other state, federal and local government organizations in order to advance the goals of the Commission.
- c. The Commission shall elect annually officers from the Management Committee, with each having such authority and duties, as may be specified in the Bylaws.
- d. The Management Committee may, subject to the approval of the Commission, appoint or retain an executive director for such period, upon such terms and conditions and for such compensation as the Commission may deem appropriate. The executive director shall serve as secretary to the Commission, but shall not be a Member of the Commission. The executive director shall hire and supervise such other staff as may be authorized by the Commission.
 - 3. Legislative and Advisory Committees
- a. A legislative committee comprising state legislators or their designees shall be established to monitor the operations of, and make recommendations to, the Commission, including the Management Committee; provided that the manner of selection and term of any legislative committee member shall be as set forth in the Bylaws. Prior to the adoption by the Commission of any Uniform Standard, revision to the Bylaws, annual budget or other significant matter as may be provided in the Bylaws, the Management Committee shall consult with and report to the legislative committee.
- b. The Commission shall establish two (2) advisory committees, one of which shall comprise consumer representatives independent of the insurance industry, and the other comprising insurance industry representatives.
- c. The Commission may establish additional advisory committees as its Bylaws may provide for the carrying out of its functions.

4. Corporate Records of the Commission

The Commission shall maintain its corporate books and records in accordance with the Bylaws.

- 5. Qualified Immunity, Defense and Indemnification
- a. The Members, officers, executive director, employees and representatives of the Commission shall be immune from suit and liability, either personally or in their official capacity, for any claim for damage to or loss of property or personal injury or other civil liability caused by or arising out of any actual or alleged act, error or omission that occurred, or that the person against whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Commission employment, duties or responsibilities; provided, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to protect any such person from suit and/or liability for any damage, loss, injury or liability caused by the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of that person.
- b. The Commission shall defend any Member, officer, executive director, employee or representative of the Commission in any civil action seeking to impose liability arising out of any actual or alleged act, error or omission that occurred within the scope of Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or that the person against whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Commission employment, duties or responsibilities; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit that person from retaining his or her own counsel; and provided further, that the actual or alleged act, error or omission did not result from that person's intentional or willful and wanton misconduct.
- c. The Commission shall indemnify and hold harmless any Member, officer, executive director, employee or representative of the Commission for the amount of any settlement or judgment obtained against that person arising out of any actual or alleged act, error or omission that occurred within the scope of Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or that such person had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, provided, that the actual or alleged act, error or omission did not result from the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of that person.

ARTICLE VI.

MEETINGS AND ACTS OF

THE COMMISSION

- 1. The Commission shall meet and take such actions as are consistent with the provisions of this Compact and the Bylaws.
- 2. Each Member of the Commission shall have the right and power to cast a vote to which that Compacting State is entitled and to participate in the business and affairs of the Commission. A Member shall vote in person or by such other means as provided in the Bylaws. The Bylaws may provide for Members' participation in meetings by telephone or other means of communication.
- 3. The Commission shall meet at least once during each calendar year. Additional meetings shall be held as set forth in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII.

RULES & OPERATING PROCEDURES: RULEMAKING FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION AND OPTING OUT OF UNIFORM STANDARDS

- 1. Rulemaking Authority. The Commission shall promulgate reasonable Rules, including Uniform Standards, and Operating Procedures in order to effectively and efficiently achieve the purposes of this Compact. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the Commission exercises its rulemaking authority in a manner that is beyond the scope of the purposes of this Act, or the powers granted hereunder, then such an action by the Commission shall be invalid and have no force and effect.
- 2. Rulemaking Procedure. Rules and Operating Procedures shall be made pursuant to a rulemaking process that conforms to the Model State Administrative Procedure Act of 1981 as amended, as may be appropriate to the operations of the Commission. Before the Commission adopts a Uniform Standard, the

Commission shall give written notice to the relevant state legislative committee(s) in each Compacting State responsible for insurance issues of its intention to adopt the Uniform Standard. The Commission in adopting a Uniform Standard shall consider fully all submitted materials and issue a concise explanation of its decision.

- 3. Effective Date and Opt Out of a Uniform Standard. A Uniform Standard shall become effective ninety (90) days after its promulgation by the Commission or such later date as the Commission may determine; provided, however, that a Compacting State may opt out of a Uniform Standard as provided in this Article. "Opt out" shall be defined as any action by a Compacting State to decline to adopt or participate in a promulgated Uniform Standard. All other Rules and Operating Procedures, and amendments thereto, shall become effective as of the date specified in each Rule, Operating Procedure or amendment.
- 4. Opt Out Procedure. A Compacting State may opt out of a Uniform Standard, either by legislation or regulation duly promulgated by the Insurance Department under the Compacting State's Administrative Procedure Act. If a Compacting State elects to opt out of a Uniform Standard by regulation, it must (a) give written notice to the Commission no later than ten (10) business days after the Uniform Standard is promulgated, or at the time the State becomes a Compacting State and (b) find that the Uniform Standard does not provide reasonable protections to the citizens of the State, given the conditions in the State. The Commissioner shall make specific findings of fact and conclusions of law, based on a preponderance of the evidence, detailing the conditions in the State which warrant a departure from the Uniform Standard and determining that the Uniform Standard would not reasonably protect the citizens of the State. The Commissioner must consider and balance the following factors and find that the conditions in the State and needs of the citizens of the State outweigh: (i) the intent of the legislature to participate in, and the benefits of, an interstate agreement to establish national uniform consumer protections for the Products subject to this Act; and (ii) the presumption that a Uniform Standard adopted by the Commission provides reasonable protections to consumers of the relevant Product.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Compacting State may, at the time of its enactment of this Compact, prospectively opt out of all Uniform Standards involving long-term care insurance products by expressly providing for such opt out in the enacted Compact, and such an opt out shall not be treated as a material variance in the offer or acceptance of any State to participate in this Compact. Such an opt out shall be effective at the time of enactment of this Compact by the Compacting State and shall apply to all existing Uniform Standards involving long-term care insurance products and those subsequently promulgated.

5. Effect of Opt Out. If a Compacting State elects to opt out of a Uniform Standard, the Uniform Standard shall remain applicable in the Compacting State electing to opt out until such time the opt out legislation is enacted into law or the regulation opting out becomes effective.

Once the opt out of a Uniform Standard by a Compacting State becomes effective as provided under the laws of that State, the Uniform Standard shall have no further force and effect in that State unless and until the legislation or regulation implementing the opt out is repealed or otherwise becomes ineffective under the laws of the State. If a Compacting State opts out of a Uniform Standard after the Uniform Standard has been made effective in that State, the opt out shall have the same prospective effect as provided under Article XIV for withdrawals.

6. Stay of Uniform Standard. If a Compacting State has formally initiated the process of opting out of a Uniform Standard by regulation, and while the regulatory opt out is pending, the Compacting State may petition the Commission, at least fifteen (15) days before the effective date of the Uniform Standard, to stay the effectiveness of the Uniform Standard in that State. The Commission may grant a stay if it determines the regulatory opt out is being pursued in a reasonable manner and there is a likelihood of success. If a stay is granted or extended by the Commission, the stay or extension thereof may postpone the effective date by up to ninety (90) days, unless affirmatively extended by the Commission; provided, a stay may not be permitted to remain in effect for more than one (1) year unless the Compacting State can show extraordinary circumstances which warrant a continuance of the stay, including, but not limited to, the existence of a legal challenge which prevents the Compacting State from opting out. A stay may be terminated by the Commission upon notice that the rulemaking process has been terminated.

7. Not later than thirty (30) days after a Rule or Operating Procedure is promulgated, any person may file a petition for judicial review of the Rule or Operating Procedure; provided, that the filing of such a petition shall not stay or otherwise prevent the Rule or Operating Procedure from becoming effective unless the court finds that the petitioner has a substantial likelihood of success. The court shall give deference to the actions of the Commission consistent with applicable law and shall not find the Rule or Operating Procedure to be unlawful if the Rule or Operating Procedure represents a reasonable exercise of the Commission's authority.

ARTICLE VIII.

COMMISSION RECORDS AND ENFORCEMENT

- 1. The Commission shall promulgate Rules establishing conditions and procedures for public inspection and copying of its information and official records, except such information and records involving the privacy of individuals and insurers' trade secrets. The Commission may promulgate additional Rules under which it may make available to federal and state agencies, including law enforcement agencies, records and information otherwise exempt from disclosure, and may enter into agreements with such agencies to receive or exchange information or records subject to nondisclosure and confidentiality provisions.
- 2. Except as to privileged records, data and information, the laws of any Compacting State pertaining to confidentiality or nondisclosure shall not relieve any Compacting State Commissioner of the duty to disclose any relevant records, data or information to the Commission; provided, that disclosure to the Commission shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise affect any confidentiality requirement; and further provided, that, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Act, the Commission shall not be subject to the Compacting State's laws pertaining to confidentiality and nondisclosure with respect to records, data and information in its possession. Confidential information of the Commission shall remain confidential after such information is provided to any Commissioner.
- 3. The Commission shall monitor Compacting States for compliance with duly adopted Bylaws, Rules, including Uniform Standards, and Operating Procedures. The Commission shall notify any non-complying Compacting State in writing of its noncompliance with Commission Bylaws, Rules or Operating Procedures. If a non-complying Compacting State fails to remedy its noncompliance within the time specified in the notice of noncompliance, the Compacting State shall be deemed to be in default as set forth in Article XIV.
- 4. The Commissioner of any State in which an Insurer is authorized to do business, or is conducting the business of insurance, shall continue to exercise his or her authority to oversee the market regulation of the activities of the Insurer in accordance with the provisions of the State's law. The Commissioner's enforcement of compliance with the Compact is governed by the following provisions:
- a. With respect to the Commissioner's market regulation of a Product or Advertisement that is approved or certified to the Commission, the content of the Product or Advertisement shall not constitute a violation of the provisions, standards or requirements of the Compact except upon a final order of the Commission, issued at the request of a Commissioner after prior notice to the Insurer and an opportunity for hearing before the Commission.
- b. Before a Commissioner may bring an action for violation of any provision, standard or requirement of the Compact relating to the content of an Advertisement not approved or certified to the Commission, the Commission, or an authorized Commission officer or employee, must authorize the action. However, authorization pursuant to this Paragraph does not require notice to the Insurer, opportunity for hearing or disclosure of requests for authorization or records of the Commission's action on such requests.

ARTICLE IX.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Commission shall attempt, upon the request of a Member, to resolve any disputes or other issues that are subject to this Compact and which may arise between two or more Compacting States, or between Compacting States and Non-compacting States, and the Commission shall promulgate an Operating Procedure providing for resolution of such disputes.

ARTICLE X.

PRODUCT FILING AND APPROVAL

- 1. Insurers and Third-Party Filers seeking to have a Product approved by the Commission shall file the Product with, and pay applicable filing fees to, the Commission. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to restrict or otherwise prevent an insurer from filing its Product with the insurance department in any State wherein the insurer is licensed to conduct the business of insurance, and such filing shall be subject to the laws of the States where filed.
- 2. The Commission shall establish appropriate filing and review processes and procedures pursuant to Commission Rules and Operating Procedures. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the Commission shall promulgate Rules to establish conditions and procedures under which the Commission will provide public access to Product filing information. In establishing such Rules, the Commission shall consider the interests of the public in having access to such information, as well as protection of personal medical and financial information and trade secrets, that may be contained in a Product filing or supporting information.
- 3. Any Product approved by the Commission may be sold or otherwise issued in those Compacting States for which the Insurer is legally authorized to do business.

ARTICLE XI.

REVIEW OF COMMISSION DECISIONS

REGARDING FILINGS

- 1. Not later than thirty (30) days after the Commission has given notice of a disapproved Product or Advertisement filed with the Commission, the Insurer or Third-Party Filer whose filing was disapproved may appeal the determination to a review panel appointed by the Commission. The Commission shall promulgate Rules to establish procedures for appointing such review panels and provide for notice and hearing. An allegation that the Commission, in disapproving a Product or Advertisement filed with the Commission, acted arbitrarily, capriciously, or in a manner that is an abuse of discretion or otherwise not in accordance with the law, is subject to judicial review in accordance with Article III, Section 4.
- 2. The Commission shall have authority to monitor, review and reconsider Products and Advertisement subsequent to their filing or approval upon a finding that the product does not meet the relevant Uniform Standard. Where appropriate, the Commission may withdraw or modify its approval after proper notice and hearing, subject to the appeal process in Section 1 above.

ARTICLE XII.

FINANCE

- 1. The Commission shall pay or provide for the payment of the reasonable expenses of its establishment and organization. To fund the cost of its initial operations, the Commission may accept contributions and other forms of funding from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, Compacting States and other sources. Contributions and other forms of funding from other sources shall be of such a nature that the independence of the Commission concerning the performance of its duties shall not be compromised.
- 2. The Commission shall collect a filing fee from each Insurer and Third-Party Filer filing a product with the Commission to cover the cost of the operations and activities of the Commission and its staff in a total amount sufficient to cover the Commission's annual budget.
- 3. The Commission's budget for a fiscal year shall not be approved until it has been subject to notice and comment as set forth in Article VII of this Compact.
 - 4. The Commission shall be exempt from all taxation in and by the Compacting States.
- 5. The Commission shall not pledge the credit of any Compacting State, except by and with the appropriate legal authority of that Compacting State.
- 6. The Commission shall keep complete and accurate accounts of all its internal receipts, including grants and donations, and disbursements of all funds under its control. The internal financial accounts of the Commission shall be subject to the accounting procedures established under its Bylaws. The financial

accounts and reports including the system of internal controls and procedures of the Commission shall be audited annually by an independent certified public accountant. Upon the determination of the Commission, but no less frequently than every three (3) years, the review of the independent auditor shall include a management and performance audit of the Commission. The Commission shall make an Annual Report to the Governor and legislature of the Compacting States, which shall include a report of the independent audit. The Commission's internal accounts shall not be confidential and such materials may be shared with the Commissioner of any Compacting State upon request, provided, however, that any work papers related to any internal or independent audit and any information regarding the privacy of individuals and insurers' proprietary information, including trade secrets, shall remain confidential.

7. No Compacting State shall have any claim to or ownership of any property held by or vested in the Commission or to any Commission funds held pursuant to the provisions of this Compact.

ARTICLE XIII.

COMPACTING STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE

AND AMENDMENT

- 1. Any State is eligible to become a Compacting State.
- 2. The Compact shall become effective and binding upon legislative enactment of the Compact into law by two Compacting States; provided, the Commission shall become effective for purposes of adopting Uniform Standards for, reviewing, and giving approval or disapproval of, Products filed with the Commission that satisfy applicable Uniform Standards only after twenty-six (26) States are Compacting States or, alternatively, by States representing greater than forty percent (40%) of the premium volume for life insurance, annuity, disability income and long-term care insurance products, based on records of the NAIC for the prior year. Thereafter, it shall become effective and binding as to any other Compacting State upon enactment of the Compact into law by that State.
- 3. Amendments to the Compact may be proposed by the Commission for enactment by the Compacting States. No amendment shall become effective and binding upon the Commission and the Compacting States unless and until all Compacting States enact the amendment into law.

ARTICLE XIV. WITHDRAWAL, DEFAULT AND TERMINATION

1. Withdrawal

- a. Once effective, the Compact shall continue in force and remain binding upon each and every Compacting State; provided, that a Compacting State may withdraw from the Compact ("Withdrawing State") by enacting a statute specifically repealing the statute which enacted the Compact into law.
- b. The effective date of withdrawal is the effective date of the repealing statute. However, the withdrawal shall not apply to any product filings approved or self-certified, or any Advertisement of such products, on the date the repealing statute becomes effective, except by mutual agreement of the Commission and the Withdrawing State unless the approval is rescinded by the Withdrawing State as provided in Paragraph e of this section.
- c. The Commissioner of the Withdrawing State shall immediately notify the Management Committee in writing upon the introduction of legislation repealing this Compact in the Withdrawing State.
- d. The Commission shall notify the other Compacting States of the introduction of such legislation within ten (10) days after its receipt of notice thereof.
- e. The Withdrawing State is responsible for all obligations, duties and liabilities incurred through the effective date of withdrawal, including any obligations, the performance of which extend beyond the effective date of withdrawal, except to the extent those obligations may have been released or relinquished by mutual agreement of the Commission and the Withdrawing State. The Commission's approval of Products and Advertisement prior to the effective date of withdrawal shall continue to be effective and be given full

force and effect in the Withdrawing State, unless formally rescinded by the Withdrawing State in the same manner as provided by the laws of the Withdrawing State for the prospective disapproval of products or advertisement previously approved under state law.

f. Reinstatement following withdrawal of any Compacting State shall occur upon the effective date of the Withdrawing State reenacting the Compact.

2. Default

- a. If the Commission determines that any Compacting State has at any time defaulted ("Defaulting State") in the performance of any of its obligations or responsibilities under this Compact, the Bylaws or duly promulgated Rules or Operating Procedures, then, after notice and hearing as set forth in the Bylaws, all rights, privileges and benefits conferred by this Compact on the Defaulting State shall be suspended from the effective date of default as fixed by the Commission. The grounds for default include, but are not limited to, failure of a Compacting State to perform its obligations or responsibilities, and any other grounds designated in Commission Rules. The Commission shall immediately notify the Defaulting State in writing of the Defaulting State's suspension pending a cure of the default. The Commission shall stipulate the conditions and the time period within which the Defaulting State must cure its default. If the Defaulting State fails to cure the default within the time period specified by the Commission, the Defaulting State shall be terminated from the Compact and all rights, privileges and benefits conferred by this Compact shall be terminated from the effective date of termination.
- b. Product approvals by the Commission or product self-certifications, or any Advertisement in connection with such product, that are in force on the effective date of termination shall remain in force in the Defaulting State in the same manner as if the Defaulting State had withdrawn voluntarily pursuant to Section 1 of this article.
 - c. Reinstatement following termination of any Compacting State requires a reenactment of the Compact.
 - 3. Dissolution of Compact
- a. The Compact dissolves effective upon the date of the withdrawal or default of the Compacting State which reduces membership in the Compact to one Compacting State.
- b. Upon the dissolution of this Compact, the Compact becomes null and void and shall be of no further force or effect, and the business and affairs of the Commission shall be wound up and any surplus funds shall be distributed in accordance with the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XV.

SEVERABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION

- 1. The provisions of this Compact shall be severable; and if any phrase, clause, sentence or provision is deemed unenforceable, the remaining provisions of the Compact shall be enforceable.
 - 2. The provisions of this Compact shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes.

ARTICLE XVI.

BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT

AND OTHER LAWS

- 1. Other Laws
- a. Nothing herein prevents the enforcement of any other law of a Compacting State, except as provided in Paragraph b of this section.
- b. For any Product approved or certified to the Commission, the Rules, Uniform Standards and any other requirements of the Commission shall constitute the exclusive provisions applicable to the content, approval and certification of such Products. For Advertisement that is subject to the Commission's authority, any Rule, Uniform Standard or other requirement of the Commission which governs the content of the Advertisement shall constitute the exclusive provision that a Commissioner may apply to the content of the Advertisement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no action taken by the Commission shall abrogate or restrict: (i) the access of any person to state courts; (ii) remedies available under state law related to breach of contract, tort, or other

laws not specifically directed to the content of the Product; (iii) state law relating to the construction of insurance contracts; or (iv) the authority of the attorney general of the state, including but not limited to maintaining any actions or proceedings, as authorized by law.

- c. All insurance products filed with individual States shall be subject to the laws of those States.
- 2. Binding Effect of this Compact
- a. All lawful actions of the Commission, including all Rules and Operating Procedures promulgated by the Commission, are binding upon the Compacting States.
- b. All agreements between the Commission and the Compacting States are binding in accordance with their terms.
- c. Upon the request of a party to a conflict over the meaning or interpretation of Commission actions, and upon a majority vote of the Compacting States, the Commission may issue advisory opinions regarding the meaning or interpretation in dispute.
- d. In the event any provision of this Compact exceeds the constitutional limits imposed on the legislature of any Compacting State, the obligations, duties, powers or jurisdiction sought to be conferred by that provision upon the Commission shall be ineffective as to that Compacting State, and those obligations, duties, powers or jurisdiction shall remain in the Compacting State and shall be exercised by the agency thereof to which those obligations, duties, powers or jurisdiction are delegated by law in effect at the time this Compact becomes effective.

History: L. 2005, ch. 102, § 1; July 1.

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- 45-221. Certain records not required to be open; separation of open and closed information required; statistics and records over 70 years old open. (a) Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law, a public agency shall not be required to disclose:
- (1) Records the disclosure of which is specifically prohibited or restricted by federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court or rule of the senate committee on confirmation oversight relating to information submitted to the committee pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 75-4315d, and amendments thereto, or the disclosure of which is prohibited or restricted pursuant to specific authorization of federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court or rule of the senate committee on confirmation oversight relating to information submitted to the committee pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 75-4315d, and amendments thereto, to restrict or prohibit disclosure.
- (2) Records which are privileged under the rules of evidence, unless the holder of the privilege consents to the disclosure.
- (3) Medical, psychiatric, psychological or alcoholism or drug dependency treatment records which pertain to identifiable patients.
- (4) Personnel records, performance ratings or individually identifiable records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment, except that this exemption shall not apply to the names, positions, salaries or actual compensation employment contracts or employment-related contracts or agreements and lengths of service of officers and employees of public agencies once they are employed as such.
- (5) Information which would reveal the identity of any undercover agent or any informant reporting a specific violation of law.
- (6) Letters of reference or recommendation pertaining to the character or qualifications of an identifiable individual, except documents relating to the appointment of persons to fill a vacancy in an elected office.
- (7) Library, archive and museum materials contributed by private persons, to the extent of any limitations imposed as conditions of the contribution.
- (8) Information which would reveal the identity of an individual who lawfully makes a donation to a public agency, if anonymity of the donor is a condition of the donation, except if the donation is intended for or restricted to providing remuneration or personal tangible benefit to a named public officer or employee.
- (9) Testing and examination materials, before the test or examination is given or if it is to be given again, or records of individual test or examination scores, other than records which show only passage or failure and not specific scores.
- (10) Criminal investigation records, except as provided herein. The district court, in an action brought pursuant to K.S.A. <u>45-222</u>, and amendments thereto, may order disclosure of such records, subject to such conditions as the court may impose, if the court finds that disclosure:
 - (A) Is in the public interest;
- (B) would not interfere with any prospective law enforcement action, criminal investigation or prosecution;
 - (C) would not reveal the identity of any confidential source or undercover agent;
- (D) would not reveal confidential investigative techniques or procedures not known to the general public;
 - (E) would not endanger the life or physical safety of any person; and
- (F) would not reveal the name, address, phone number or any other information which specifically and individually identifies the victim of any sexual offense in article 35 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, prior to their repeal, or article 55 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

If a public record is discretionarily closed by a public agency pursuant to this subsection, the record custodian, upon request, shall provide a written citation to the specific provisions of paragraphs (A) through

- (F) that necessitate closure of that public record.
- (11) Records of agencies involved in administrative adjudication or civil litigation, compiled in the process of detecting or investigating violations of civil law or administrative rules and regulations, if disclosure would interfere with a prospective administrative adjudication or civil litigation or reveal the identity of a confidential source or undercover agent.
- (12) Records of emergency or security information or procedures of a public agency, or plans, drawings, specifications or related information for any building or facility which is used for purposes requiring security measures in or around the building or facility or which is used for the generation or transmission of power, water, fuels or communications, if disclosure would jeopardize security of the public agency, building or facility.
- (13) The contents of appraisals or engineering or feasibility estimates or evaluations made by or for a public agency relative to the acquisition of property, prior to the award of formal contracts therefor.
- (14) Correspondence between a public agency and a private individual, other than correspondence which is intended to give notice of an action, policy or determination relating to any regulatory, supervisory or enforcement responsibility of the public agency or which is widely distributed to the public by a public agency and is not specifically in response to communications from such a private individual.
- (15) Records pertaining to employer-employee negotiations, if disclosure would reveal information discussed in a lawful executive session under K.S.A. <u>75-4319</u>, and amendments thereto.
- (16) Software programs for electronic data processing and documentation thereof, but each public agency shall maintain a register, open to the public, that describes:
 - (A) The information which the agency maintains on computer facilities; and
 - (B) the form in which the information can be made available using existing computer programs.
- (17) Applications, financial statements and other information submitted in connection with applications for student financial assistance where financial need is a consideration for the award.
- (18) Plans, designs, drawings or specifications which are prepared by a person other than an employee of a public agency or records which are the property of a private person.
- (19) Well samples, logs or surveys which the state corporation commission requires to be filed by persons who have drilled or caused to be drilled, or are drilling or causing to be drilled, holes for the purpose of discovery or production of oil or gas, to the extent that disclosure is limited by rules and regulations of the state corporation commission.
- (20) Notes, preliminary drafts, research data in the process of analysis, unfunded grant proposals, memoranda, recommendations or other records in which opinions are expressed or policies or actions are proposed, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting.
- (21) Records of a public agency having legislative powers, which records pertain to proposed legislation or amendments to proposed legislation, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are:
 - (A) Publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting; or
- (B) distributed to a majority of a quorum of any body which has authority to take action or make recommendations to the public agency with regard to the matters to which such records pertain.
- (22) Records of a public agency having legislative powers, which records pertain to research prepared for one or more members of such agency, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are:
 - (A) Publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting; or
- (B) distributed to a majority of a quorum of any body which has authority to take action or make recommendations to the public agency with regard to the matters to which such records pertain.
 - (23) Library patron and circulation records which pertain to identifiable individuals.
 - (24) Records which are compiled for census or research purposes and which pertain to identifiable

individuals.

- (25) Records which represent and constitute the work product of an attorney.
- (26) Records of a utility or other public service pertaining to individually identifiable residential customers of the utility or service.
- (27) Specifications for competitive bidding, until the specifications are officially approved by the public agency.
 - (28) Sealed bids and related documents, until a bid is accepted or all bids rejected.
 - (29) Correctional records pertaining to an identifiable inmate or release, except that:
- (A) The name; photograph and other identifying information; sentence data; parole eligibility date; custody or supervision level; disciplinary record; supervision violations; conditions of supervision, excluding requirements pertaining to mental health or substance abuse counseling; location of facility where incarcerated or location of parole office maintaining supervision and address of a releasee whose crime was committed after the effective date of this act shall be subject to disclosure to any person other than another inmate or releasee, except that the disclosure of the location of an inmate transferred to another state pursuant to the interstate corrections compact shall be at the discretion of the secretary of corrections;
- (B) the attorney general, law enforcement agencies, counsel for the inmate to whom the record pertains and any county or district attorney shall have access to correctional records to the extent otherwise permitted by law;
- (C) the information provided to the law enforcement agency pursuant to the sex offender registration act, K.S.A. <u>22-4901</u> et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be subject to disclosure to any person, except that the name, address, telephone number or any other information which specifically and individually identifies the victim of any offender required to register as provided by the Kansas offender registration act, K.S.A. <u>22-4901</u> et seq., and amendments thereto, shall not be disclosed; and
- (D) records of the department of corrections regarding the financial assets of an offender in the custody of the secretary of corrections shall be subject to disclosure to the victim, or such victim's family, of the crime for which the inmate is in custody as set forth in an order of restitution by the sentencing court.
- (30) Public records containing information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- (31) Public records pertaining to prospective location of a business or industry where no previous public disclosure has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating in, relocating within or expanding within the state. This exception shall not include those records pertaining to application of agencies for permits or licenses necessary to do business or to expand business operations within this state, except as otherwise provided by law.
- (32) Engineering and architectural estimates made by or for any public agency relative to public improvements.
 - (33) Financial information submitted by contractors in qualification statements to any public agency.
- (34) Records involved in the obtaining and processing of intellectual property rights that are expected to be, wholly or partially vested in or owned by a state educational institution, as defined in K.S.A. <u>76-711</u>, and amendments thereto, or an assignee of the institution organized and existing for the benefit of the institution.
- (35) Any report or record which is made pursuant to K.S.A. <u>65-4922</u>, <u>65-4923</u> or <u>65-4924</u>, and amendments thereto, and which is privileged pursuant to K.S.A. <u>65-4915</u> or <u>65-4925</u>, and amendments thereto.
 - (36) Information which would reveal the precise location of an archeological site.
- (37) Any financial data or traffic information from a railroad company, to a public agency, concerning the sale, lease or rehabilitation of the railroad's property in Kansas.
- (38) Risk-based capital reports, risk-based capital plans and corrective orders including the working papers and the results of any analysis filed with the commissioner of insurance in accordance with K.S.A.

40-2c20 and 40-2d20, and amendments thereto.

- (39) Memoranda and related materials required to be used to support the annual actuarial opinions submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of K.S.A. <u>40-409</u>, and amendments thereto.
- (40) Disclosure reports filed with the commissioner of insurance under subsection (a) of K.S.A. 40-2,156, and amendments thereto.
- (41) All financial analysis ratios and examination synopses concerning insurance companies that are submitted to the commissioner by the national association of insurance commissioners' insurance regulatory information system.
 - (42) Any records the disclosure of which is restricted or prohibited by a tribal-state gaming compact.
- (43) Market research, market plans, business plans and the terms and conditions of managed care or other third-party contracts, developed or entered into by the university of Kansas medical center in the operation and management of the university hospital which the chancellor of the university of Kansas or the chancellor's designee determines would give an unfair advantage to competitors of the university of Kansas medical center.
- (44) The amount of franchise tax paid to the secretary of revenue or the secretary of state by domestic corporations, foreign corporations, domestic limited liability companies, foreign limited liability companies, domestic limited partnership, foreign limited partnership, domestic limited liability partnerships and foreign limited liability partnerships.
- (45) Records, other than criminal investigation records, the disclosure of which would pose a substantial likelihood of revealing security measures that protect: (A) Systems, facilities or equipment used in the production, transmission or distribution of energy, water or communications services; (B) transportation and sewer or wastewater treatment systems, facilities or equipment; or (C) private property or persons, if the records are submitted to the agency. For purposes of this paragraph, security means measures that protect against criminal acts intended to intimidate or coerce the civilian population, influence government policy by intimidation or coercion or to affect the operation of government by disruption of public services, mass destruction, assassination or kidnapping. Security measures include, but are not limited to, intelligence information, tactical plans, resource deployment and vulnerability assessments.
- (46) Any information or material received by the register of deeds of a county from military discharge papers, DD Form 214. Such papers shall be disclosed: To the military dischargee; to such dischargee's immediate family members and lineal descendants; to such dischargee's heirs, agents or assigns; to the licensed funeral director who has custody of the body of the deceased dischargee; when required by a department or agency of the federal or state government or a political subdivision thereof; when the form is required to perfect the claim of military service or honorable discharge or a claim of a dependent of the dischargee; and upon the written approval of the commissioner of veterans affairs, to a person conducting research.
- (47) Information that would reveal the location of a shelter or a safehouse or similar place where persons are provided protection from abuse or the name, address, location or other contact information of alleged victims of stalking, domestic violence or sexual assault.
- (48) Policy information provided by an insurance carrier in accordance with subsection (h)(1) of K.S.A. 44-532, and amendments thereto. This exemption shall not be construed to preclude access to an individual employer's record for the purpose of verification of insurance coverage or to the department of labor for their business purposes.
- (49) An individual's e-mail address, cell phone number and other contact information which has been given to the public agency for the purpose of public agency notifications or communications which are widely distributed to the public.
- (50) Information provided by providers to the local collection point administrator or to the 911 coordinating council pursuant to the Kansas 911 act, and amendments thereto, upon request of the party submitting such records.

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- (51) Records of a public agency on a public website which are searchable by a keyword search and identify the home address or home ownership of a law enforcement officer as defined in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 21-5111, and amendments thereto, parole officer, probation officer, court services officer or community correctional services officer. Such individual officer shall file with the custodian of such record a request to have such officer's identifying information restricted from public access on such public website. Within 10 business days of receipt of such requests, the public agency shall restrict such officer's identifying information from such public access. Such restriction shall expire after five years and such officer may file with the custodian of such record a new request for restriction at any time.
- (52) Records of a public agency on a public website which are searchable by a keyword search and identify the home address or home ownership of a federal judge, a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of appeals, a district judge, a district magistrate judge, the United States attorney for the district of Kansas, an assistant United States attorney, the attorney general, an assistant attorney general, a district attorney or county attorney or an assistant district attorney or assistant county attorney. Such person shall file with the custodian of such record a request to have such person's identifying information restricted from public access on such public website. Within 10 business days of receipt of such requests, the public agency shall restrict such person's identifying information from such public access. Such restriction shall expire after five years and such person may file with the custodian of such record a new request for restriction at any time.
- (53) Records of a public agency that would disclose the name, home address, zip code, e-mail address, phone number or cell phone number or other contact information for any person licensed to carry concealed handguns or of any person who enrolled in or completed any weapons training in order to be licensed or has made application for such license under the personal and family protection act, K.S.A. 2014 Supp. <u>75-7c01</u> et seq., and amendments thereto, shall not be disclosed unless otherwise required by law.
- (54) Records of a utility concerning information about cyber security threats, attacks or general attempts to attack utility operations provided to law enforcement agencies, the state corporation commission, the federal energy regulatory commission, the department of energy, the southwest power pool, the North American electric reliability corporation, the federal communications commission or any other federal, state or regional organization that has a responsibility for the safeguarding of telecommunications, electric, potable water, waste water disposal or treatment, motor fuel or natural gas energy supply systems.
- (55) Records of a public agency containing information or reports obtained and prepared by the office of the state bank commissioner in the course of licensing or examining a person engaged in money transmission business pursuant to K.S.A. <u>9-508</u> et seq., and amendments thereto, shall not be disclosed except pursuant to K.S.A. <u>9-513c</u>, and amendments thereto, or unless otherwise required by law.
- (b) Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law or as appropriate during the course of an administrative proceeding or on appeal from agency action, a public agency or officer shall not disclose financial information of a taxpayer which may be required or requested by a county appraiser or the director of property valuation to assist in the determination of the value of the taxpayer's property for ad valorem taxation purposes; or any financial information of a personal nature required or requested by a public agency or officer, including a name, job description or title revealing the salary or other compensation of officers, employees or applicants for employment with a firm, corporation or agency, except a public agency. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics, so classified as to prevent identification of particular reports or returns and the items thereof.
- (c) As used in this section, the term "cited or identified" shall not include a request to an employee of a public agency that a document be prepared.
- (d) If a public record contains material which is not subject to disclosure pursuant to this act, the public agency shall separate or delete such material and make available to the requester that material in the public record which is subject to disclosure pursuant to this act. If a public record is not subject to disclosure because it pertains to an identifiable individual, the public agency shall delete the identifying portions of the record and make available to the requester any remaining portions which are subject to disclosure pursuant to

this act, unless the request is for a record pertaining to a specific individual or to such a limited group of individuals that the individuals' identities are reasonably ascertainable, the public agency shall not be required to disclose those portions of the record which pertain to such individual or individuals.

- (e) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to exempt from public disclosure statistical information not descriptive of any identifiable person.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), any public record which has been in existence more than 70 years shall be open for inspection by any person unless disclosure of the record is specifically prohibited or restricted by federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court or by a policy adopted pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6214, and amendments thereto.
- (g) Any confidential records or information relating to security measures provided or received under the provisions of subsection (a)(45) shall not be subject to subpoena, discovery or other demand in any administrative, criminal or civil action.

History: L. 1984, ch. 187, § 7; L. 1984, ch. 282, § 4; L. 1986, ch. 193, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 176, § 4; L. 1989, ch. 154, § 1; L. 1991, ch. 149, § 12; L. 1994, ch. 107, § 8; L. 1995, ch. 44, § 1; L. 1995, ch. 257, § 6; L. 1996, ch. 256, § 15; L. 1997, ch. 126, § 44; L. 1997, ch. 181, § 15; L. 2000, ch. 156, § 3; L. 2001, ch. 211, § 13; L. 2002, ch. 178, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 109, § 22; L. 2004, ch. 171, § 30; L. 2005, ch. 126, § 1; L. 2008, ch. 121, § 4; L. 2009, ch. 83, § 27; L. 2009, ch. 125, § 1; L. 2010, ch. 112, § 2; L. 2011, ch. 30, § 192; L. 2011, ch. 84, § 23; L. 2012, ch. 147, § 1; L. 2013, ch. 72, § 2; L. 2013, ch. 133, § 18; L. 2014, ch. 120, § 6; July 1.

Revisor's Note:

Section was amended four times in 1994 session, see also 45-221a, 45-221b and 45-221c.

Section was amended twice in the 1996 session, see also 45-221d.

Section was amended three times in the 2000 session, see also 45-221e and 45-221f.

Section was amended three times in the 2004 session, see also 45-221g and 45-221h.

Section was amended twice in the 2009 session without reconciliation, see also 45-221i. Section was also amended by L. 2009, ch. 109, § 2, but that version was repealed by L. 2009, ch. 143, § 37 and L. 2009. ch. 125, § 2.

Section was amended three times in the 2012 session, see also 45-221j and 45-221k.

Section was also amended by L. 2013, ch. 8, § 1 and L. 2013, ch. 105, § 6, but those versions were repealed by L. 2013, ch. 133, § 37.

- 48-16a10. Same; reports on testing, analysis and mitigation; confidentiality; research studies; radon measurement or testing contracts, requirements. (a) Except as provided by subsections (d), (e) and (g), any person who tests for radon in this state, analyzes radon testing devices used in this state or performs radon mitigation in this state shall make a report of such testing, analysis or mitigation to the secretary. Such report shall be made within 90 days of performance of such testing, analysis or mitigation and shall include the address where the services were provided, location within the building, approximate age of the building, the date on which the service was provided, the type of equipment or test kit used for radon measurements, specific information regarding pre-mitigation or post-mitigation for radon measurements, and the results of any tests, analysis or mitigation.
- (b) All information obtained pursuant to this section shall be confidential and shall not be subject to disclosure under the open records act.
- (c) The secretary may conduct research studies utilizing the data required to be reported by subsection (a). No report or publication shall include names or addresses of individuals.
- (d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a person performing tests or mitigation on a building owned by such person or where such person resides.
- (e) Radon measurement businesses certified under this act shall not be required to submit the results of a radon test to the Kansas department of health and environment unless the customer or client consents to the release of this information in the contract to perform the radon test under subsection (f).
- (f) Each contract between a certified radon measurement business and a client to perform a radon test shall include the following language: "It is standard procedure to provide the radon measurement information to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. This data is required by law to be kept confidential and is used to conduct studies on radon and lung cancer incidence in Kansas. No report or publication will include names or addresses of individuals associated with the radon tests. If you (the client) agree that the radon testing information be disclosed to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, you should initial here _____."
- (g) If no contract is entered into by a certified radon measurement business and a client, the results of the radon testing shall be reported to the department in accordance with subsection (a).

History: L. 2010, ch. 94, § 10; July 1.

- 58-4616. Same; record keeping requirements; records open to unit owners; copy fees. (a) The association, or its agents, must retain the following for five years unless otherwise provided:
- (1) Detailed records of receipts and expenditures affecting the operation and administration of the association and other appropriate accounting records;
- (2) minutes of all meetings of its unit owners and board of directors other than executive sessions, a record of all actions taken by the unit owners or board of directors without a meeting, and a record of all actions taken by a committee in place of the board of directors on behalf of the association;
- (3) the names of unit owners in a form that permits preparation of a list of the names of all unit owners and the addresses at which the association communicates with them, in alphabetical order showing the number of votes each owner is entitled to cast;
- (4) its original or restated organizational documents, if required by law other than this act, bylaws and all amendments to them, and all rules currently in effect;
 - (5) all financial statements and tax returns of the association for the past three years;
 - (6) a list of the names and addresses of its current board of directors' members and officers;
 - (7) its most recent annual report, if any, delivered to the secretary of state;
- (8) financial and other records sufficiently detailed to enable the association to comply with other requirements of law;
 - (9) copies of current contracts to which it is a party;
- (10) records of board of directors or committee actions to approve or deny any requests for design or architectural approval from unit owners; and
- (11) ballots, proxies, and other records related to voting by unit owners for one year after the election, action, or vote to which they relate.
- (b) Subject to subsections (c) through (g), all records retained by an association must be available for examination and copying by a unit owner or the owner's authorized agent:
 - (1) During reasonable business hours or at a mutually convenient time and location; and
 - (2) upon 10 days' written notice reasonably identifying the specific records of the association requested.
- (c) Records retained by an association may be withheld from inspection and copying to the extent that they concern:
 - (1) Personnel, salary, and medical records relating to specific individuals;
- (2) contracts, leases, and other commercial transactions to purchase or provide goods or services currently being negotiated;
 - (3) existing or potential litigation or mediation, arbitration, or administrative proceedings;
- (4) existing or potential matters involving federal, state, or local administrative or other formal proceedings before a governmental tribunal for enforcement of the declaration, bylaws, or rules;
- (5) communications with the association's attorney which are otherwise protected by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work-product doctrine;
 - (6) information the disclosure of which would violate law other than this act;
 - (7) records of an executive session of the board of directors; or
 - (8) individual unit files other than those of the requesting owner.
- (d) An association may charge a reasonable fee for providing copies of any records under this section and for supervising the unit owner's inspection.
- (e) A right to copy records under this section includes the right to receive copies by photocopying or other means, including copies through an electronic transmission if available upon request by the unit owner. Copied records may be used for any reasonable purposes other than for commercial purposes.

- (f) An association is not obligated to compile or synthesize information.
- (g) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2011.

History: L. 2010, ch. 116, § 15; July 1.

- 60-3351. Insurance compliance self-evaluative privilege. (a) Except as provided in K.S.A. <u>60-3352</u> and <u>60-3353</u>, and amendments thereto, an insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document is privileged information and is not discoverable, or admissible as evidence in any legal action in any civil, criminal or administrative proceeding. The privilege created herein is a matter of substantive law of this state and is not merely a procedural matter governing civil or criminal procedures in the courts of this state.
- (b) If any insurance company, person, or entity performs or directs the performance of an insurance compliance audit, an officer, employee or agent involved with the insurance compliance audit, or any consultant who is hired for the purpose of performing the insurance compliance audit, may not be examined in any civil, criminal or administrative proceeding as to the insurance compliance audit or any insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document, as defined in this section. This subsection (b) shall not apply if the privilege set forth in subsection (a) of this section is determined under K.S.A. 60-3352 and 60-3353, and amendments thereto, not to apply.
- (c) Any insurance company may voluntarily submit, in connection with any examination conducted under chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, an insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document to the commissioner as a confidential document in the same manner as provided in chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, for documents required to be provided to the commissioner in the course of an examination by the commissioner without waiving the privilege set forth in this section to which the insurance company would otherwise be entitled. Any provision in chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, permitting the commissioner to make confidential documents public or to grant the national association of insurance commissioners access to confidential documents shall not apply to the insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document voluntarily submitted by an insurance company. To the extent that the commissioner has the authority to compel the disclosure of an insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document under other provisions of applicable law, any such report furnished to the commissioner shall not be provided to any other persons or entities and shall be accorded the same confidentiality and other protections as provided above for voluntarily submitted documents. Any use of an insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document furnished as a result of a request of the commissioner under a claim of authority to compel disclosure shall be limited to determining whether or not any disclosed defects in an insurers' policies and procedures or inappropriate treatment of customers has been remedied or that an appropriate plan for their remedy is in place.
- (1) Any insurance company's insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document submitted to the commissioner shall remain subject to all applicable statutory or common law privileges including, but not limited to, the work product doctrine, attorney-client privilege, or the subsequent remedial measures exclusion.
- (2) Any compliance self-evaluative audit document so submitted and in the possession of the commissioner shall remain the property of the insurance company and shall not be subject to any disclosure or production under the Kansas open records act. The provision of this paragraph shall expire on July 1, 2015, unless the legislature reenacts such provision. The provision of this paragraph shall be reviewed by the legislature prior to July 1, 2015.
- (d) Disclosure of an insurance compliance self-evaluative audit document to a governmental agency, whether voluntary or pursuant to compulsion of law, shall not constitute a waiver of the privilege set forth in subsection (a) with respect to any other persons or any other governmental agencies. Nothing in this act shall prohibit the division of post audit from having access to all insurance compliance self-evaluative audit documents in the custody of the commissioner.

History: L. 2005, ch. 148, § 1; L. 2010, ch. 112, § 5; July 1.

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- 72-972a. Due process hearing, initiation of; complaint notice; response to notice. (a) (1) Subject to the requirements in this section, the parent of an exceptional child or the agency responsible for providing services to the child may initiate a due process hearing regarding any problem arising in regard to any matter governed by this act, if:
- (A) The problem about which complaint is made occurred not more than two years before the filing of the complaint and the party filing the complaint knew or should have known about the alleged action that forms the basis of the complaint;
- (B) the party filing the complaint or the attorney for that party provides to the other party and to the department, a written due process complaint notice that shall remain confidential and include the following information:
- (i) The name of the child, the address of the residence of the child (or in the case of a homeless child or youth, available contact information for the child), and the name of the school the child is attending;
 - (ii) a description of the nature of the problem and the facts that form the basis of the complaint; and
 - (iii) a proposed resolution of the problem.
- (2) A parent or an agency shall not be entitled to a due process hearing until the parent or agency, or their attorney, files a notice that meets the requirements of this subsection.
- (b) (1) Any due process complaint notice filed by a parent shall be deemed to be timely even if presented more than two years after the occurrence of the facts giving rise to the complaint, if:
- (A) The agency made specific misrepresentations that it had resolved the problem forming the basis of the complaint; or
- (B) the agency withheld information from the parent that is required to be given to the parent under this act.
- (2) The due process complaint notice required by subsection (a) shall be deemed to be sufficient unless the party receiving the notice notifies the hearing officer and the other party, in writing, within 15 days of receiving the complaint, that the receiving party believes the notice does not meet the requirements.
- (3) Within five days of receipt of the notification provided under subsection (a), the hearing officer shall make a determination of whether the notification meets the requirements of subsection (b)(2) and shall immediately notify the parties, in writing, of such determination.
- (c) (1) If the complaint is filed by a parent and the agency has not sent a prior written notice to the parent regarding the problem described in the parent's due process complaint notice, the agency, within 10 days of receiving the complaint, shall send to the parent a response that includes:
- (A) An explanation of why the agency proposed or refused to take the action raised in the complaint, or an appropriate reply if the problem does not address proposed or refused action by the agency;
- (B) a description of other options that the IEP team considered and the reasons why those options were rejected;
- (C) a description of each evaluation procedure, assessment, record or report the agency used as the basis for any action it has proposed or refused; and
- (D) a description of the factors that are relevant to the agency's proposal or refusal, or in reply to the complaint.
- (2) The fact an agency gives notice to a parent pursuant to paragraph (1) shall not preclude such agency from asserting that the parent's due process complaint notice is insufficient.
- (d) The non-complaining party, within 10 days of receiving the complaint, shall send to the complaining party a response that specifically addresses the issues raised in the complaint.
 - (e) (1) A party may amend its due process complaint notice only if:
 - (A) The other party consents in writing to such amendment and is given the opportunity to resolve the

complaint through a meeting held pursuant to K.S.A. 72-973, and amendments thereto; or

- (B) the hearing officer grants permission, except that such permission shall be granted not less than five days before a due process hearing occurs.
- (2) The applicable timeline for a due process hearing shall recommence at the time the party files an amended notice, including the timeline for resolution of the complaint.
- (f) (1) Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude a parent or an agency from filing a separate due process complaint on an issue different from issues presented in a due process complaint already filed.
- (2) Upon motion of either party and if deemed appropriate by the due process hearing officer presiding in the initial hearing, the issues raised in the separate complaints may be considered and resolved in the same due process hearing.

History: L. 2005, ch. 171, § 8; July 1.

74-50,217. Promoting employment across Kansas; form required to claim tax benefits; development of; contents; filing; confidentiality. The secretary of revenue in consultation with the secretary of commerce shall develop a form which must be completed annually by any business that received any tax benefit pursuant to the promoting employment across Kansas act and amendments thereto. Such form shall be developed no later than December 31, 2010, and shall request, at a minimum, the information required by paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) of subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-32.243, and amendments thereto, and such other information as shall be required by the secretary of revenue and the secretary of commerce. Upon completion of the form, the business completing the form shall file the form electronically with the secretary of revenue or submit the form in the manner prescribed by the secretary of revenue. The contents of the completed form shall be confidential except as provided in K.S.A. 79-3234, and amendments thereto.

History: L. 2010, ch. 144, § 12; July 1.

74-99d05. Same; records; audit; application of open records act. (a) All resolutions and orders of the board shall be recorded and authenticated by the signature of the secretary or a person designated by the secretary. The book of resolutions, orders, minutes of open meetings, annual reports and annual financial statements of the authority shall be public records as defined by K.S.A. 45-215 et seq.; and amendments thereto. All public records shall be subject to regular audit as provided in K.S.A. 46-1106, and amendments thereto.

- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of K.S.A. <u>45-215</u> et seq., and amendments thereto, to the contrary, the following records of the authority shall not be subject to the provisions of the Kansas open records act when in the opinion of the board disclosure of the information in the records would be harmful to the competitive position of third parties or to the security of transmission facilities:
- (1) Proprietary information gathered by or in the possession of the authority from third parties pursuant to a promise of confidentiality;
- (2) information regarding the location of transmission facilities and security measures that protect such facilities; or
- (3) information which is related to transmission capacity or availability and is not otherwise available to all electric energy market participants.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the authority may claim the benefit of any other exemption to the Kansas open records act listed in K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto. History: L. 2005, ch. 169, § 5; Apr. 21.

- 75-53,105. Secretary access to criminal history, court records; nationwide search; fees; unauthorized disclosure, penalty. (a) The secretary for children and families shall upon request receive from the Kansas bureau of investigation such criminal history record information as necessary for the purpose of determining initial and continuing qualification for employment or for participation in any program administered by the secretary for the placement, safety, protection or treatment of vulnerable children or adults.
- (b) The secretary shall have access to any court orders or adjudications of any court of record, any records of such orders, adjudications, arrests, nonconvictions, convictions, expungements, juvenile records, juvenile expungements, diversions and any criminal history record information in the possession of the Kansas bureau of investigation concerning such employee or individual.
- (c) If a nationwide criminal records check of all records noted above is necessary, as determined by the secretary, the secretary's request will be based on the submission of fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for the identification of the individual and to obtain criminal history record information, including arrest and nonconviction data.
 - (d) Fees for such records checks shall be assessed to the secretary.
- (e) Disclosure or use of any such information received by the secretary or a designee of the secretary or of any record containing such information, for any purpose other than that provided by this act is a class A misdemeanor and shall constitute grounds for removal from office or termination of employment. Nothing in this act shall be construed to make unlawful or prohibit the disclosure of any such information in a hearing or court proceeding involving programs administered by the secretary or prohibit the disclosure of any such information to the post auditor in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the legislative post audit act.

History: L. 2005, ch. 168, § 1; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 374; July 1.

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