

Written Comments to the Senate Judiciary Committee
In Support of SB 16
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I am Larrie Ann Brown, Legislative Counsel for The Property Casualty Insurers Association of America (PCI). PCI is comprised of more than 1,000 member companies that write \$183 billion in annual premium, or 35 percent of the nation's property casualty premium volume. PCI members represent 39 percent of the total property and casualty insurance business in the Kansas. PCI appreciates the opportunity to provide written comments in support of SB 16.

PCI believes SB 16 is the best answer to the Supreme Court's invitation in *Bussman vs Safeco* to clarify the Legislature's intent of KSA 40-908 which is to allow recovery of attorney fees in cases where the insured suffers property damage due to loss from fire, tornado, lightening or hail.

We thank you for the opportunity to provide comment and PCI respectfully requests your support of SB 16.