

February 11, 2020

The Honorable Robert Olson, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance
Statehouse, Room 236-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Olson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 347 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 347 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 347 would allow the Insurance Commissioner to appoint employees to be examiners and the compensation and expenses of those employees would be paid by the company that is being examined. The bill also would allow the Commissioner to retain services of certain specialists, listed in the bill, to properly and adequately supervise and regulate insurance in Kansas. The Commissioner would be authorized to develop rules and regulations and procedures for the purpose of retaining specialists. The bill would eliminate the caps a company would pay the Insurance Department for data processing, examination equipment, and computer software to perform examinations and allow the Commissioner to charge a prorated amount. The bill would allow the Commissioner to be exempt from certain rules and regulations that pertain procurement requirements.

The Kansas Insurance Department states that the bill would codify current practices and would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Bobbi Mariani, Insurance
Jeff Scannell, Department of Administration