

February 2, 2023

The Honorable Jeff Longbine, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 546-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Longbine:

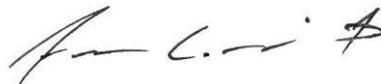
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 85 by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 85 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 85 would establish the Kansas Travel Insurance Act. The purpose of the Act would be to promote public welfare by establishing a legal framework within which travel insurance could be sold. The Kansas Insurance Commissioner could issue limited lines travel insurance producer licenses to individuals who file an application. The Commissioner could adopt rules and regulations to implement and enforce the Act. A travel insurer would be required to pay a premium tax on travel insurance premiums. A person offering travel insurance would be subject to the Unfair Trade Practice Law. The bill also removes some continuing education requirements for certain insurance agents.

The Kansas Insurance Department states that any additional expenditures created by the bill would be absorbed within existing resources since the agency already reviews travel insurance. The Office of the State Bank Commissioner states that bill would not have a fiscal effect because currently there are no state banks that operate as a financial subsidiary travel agency. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 85 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Bobbi Mariani, Insurance Department
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Brock Roehler, Office of the State Bank Commissioner
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