

## **Kansas Pharmacy Patients Fair Practices Act; SB 351**

**SB 351** creates the Kansas Pharmacy Patients Fair Practices Act (Act). The bill specifies co-payments applied by a health carrier for a prescription drug may not exceed the total submitted charges by the network pharmacy. Additionally, a pharmacy or pharmacist has the right to provide a covered person with information regarding the amount of the covered person's cost share for a prescription drug. The bill specifies neither a pharmacy or pharmacist can be proscribed by a pharmacy benefits manager (PBM) from discussing any such information or selling a more affordable alternative to the covered person, if such alternative is available.

The bill applies to any contract between a PBM and a pharmacy, pharmacy services administration organization, or group purchasing organization entered or renewed on and after January 1, 2019. The bill states supplemental policies are exempt from the Act.

The terms "covered person," "health carrier," and "pharmacy benefits manager" are defined in the bill.