

Proponent Testimony for SB 14 – Updating Risk-Based Capital Instructions January 24, 2023

Chairman Longbine and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill 14.

Senate Bill 14 amends K.S.A. 40-2c01, which concerns a standard regulatory tool referred to as risk-based capital (RBC). The goal of RBC is to ensure each Kansas domestic company has the required amount of capital needed to support its overall business operations in consideration of its size and risk profile.

This bill updates the version of the RBC Instructions that companies are required to utilize as they calculate and report RBC. The amendment merely replaces "2021" with "2022" in the definition for "RBC Instructions." Implementing the RBC Instructions is a national accreditation standard. A similar date change amendment has been made, by the Legislature, each year since 2009.

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