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MEMORANDUM

To: House Standing Committee on Insurance
From: Eileen Ma, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
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Subject: Bill Brief for HB 2478

HB 2478 amends K.S.A. 40-3801, 40-3810, 40-3812, 40-3813, 40-3815 and 40-3821 of the third party administrators act by updating certain definitions and requirements across the act.

The first change is changing the types of products to which the act applies, from "life, annuity or health," to "life, annuity or accident and sickness" or "life, annuity or accident and sickness" coverage. In the case of the definition of "insurer," the products that the insurer may provide has been amended from "life, annuity or health coverage or self-funded," to life, annuity, accident and sickness coverage."

The definition of "home state" has been amended to specify that a person may declare Kansas as the person's home state, regardless of the person's residency in the state.

The term "uniform application" has been stricken and references to that term have been removed.

The term "certificate of existence" has been changed to "certificate of good standing."

Finally, the former exemption from the act pertaining to pharmacy benefits managers holding certificates of registrations pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3810 has been amended to a requirement of holding a certificate of licensure, pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3812 or 40-3813.