## **HOUSE BILL No. 2274**

## By Committee on Insurance

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AN ACT relating to insurance; concerning individual health insurance.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2010, an insurance company, nonprofit health service corporation, nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation or health maintenance organization may issue, deliver or execute a health insurance policy or health service contract on an individual basis, which may exclude any or all of the requirements contained in K.S.A. 40-2,100, 40-2,101, 40-2,102, 40-2,104, 40-2,105, 40-2,164, 40-2,165, 40-2,166, 40-2229 and 40-2230, and amendments thereto, under the following conditions:

- Such policy or contract shall only be offered to an individual who has been without health benefits coverage for at least six months;
- an applicant for such policy or contract shall provide a signed affidavit attesting to the fact that the applicant has been without coverage for at least six months;
- such policy or contract may impose a preexisting conditions (3)exclusion;
- (4)such policy or contract shall provide coverage for a period of time not to exceed 18 months; and
- the issuer of such policy or contract shall fully inform the individual of the benefits which are included or not included in such policy or contract.
- (b) Nothing in subsection (a), shall prohibit an issuer of such policy or contract from providing coverage or benefits for any coverage or benefit excluded by subsection (a).
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 36 publication in the statute book.