

SESSION OF 2005

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1602**

As Amended by Senate Committee  
of the Whole

**Brief\***

SCR 1602 calls for a task force to be formed to study the licensing and appointment process for insurance agents. The task force would be charged to recommend changes to the Kansas Uniform Agents Licensing Act.

The task force, as amended, includes:

- six legislators – the Chair, Vice Chair, and Ranking Minority Member of the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance; the Chair, Vice Chair, and Ranking Minority Member of the House Committee on Insurance;
- the Insurance Commissioner or designated representative;
- one person representing a health insurance plan appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Kansas Association of Health Plans;
- one person representing a domestic property and casualty insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies;
- one person representing a domestic life or health insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Kansas Life and Health Insurance Association;
- one person representing a foreign stock insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the American Insurance Association;

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

- one person representing a foreign insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Property Casualty Insurance Association of America;
- one person representing a property and casualty insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies;
- one person representing a life insurance company appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the American Council of Life Insurers;
- one person representing the Kansas insurance agents appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Kansas Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors; and
- two representatives of licensed Kansas insurance agents appointed by the Insurance Commissioner from a list submitted by the Kansas Association of Insurance Agents.

The Insurance Commissioner appoints the chairperson and vice-chairperson who cannot be from the same political party. The task force is to be staffed by staff members from the Legislative Research Department and the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. A final report from the task force is to be submitted to the Senate President, Speaker of the House, and the Insurance Commissioner by January 1, 2006.

## **Background**

SCR 1602 was requested by the Insurance Commissioner whose representative indicated that the current system for agent licensing is outdated and in need of change. The representative indicated that the task force would allow interested parties, including the Legislature, to participate in the study of the current agent licensing and appointment process and the establishment of a system to address the process.

The Senate Committee amendments increase the task force membership from 14 to 17 by adding a representative of a domestic life or health insurance company, a representative of a life insurance company, and one person representing a health insurance plan, and additionally make allowances for subsistence allowances and mileage.

The Senate Committee of the Whole further amended SCR 1602 to the language in the introduced version providing that no other task force members shall receive any compensation, subsistence, mileage, or other allowances for service on the task force.