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Testimony concerning HB 2745 Senate Committee on Commerce Presented by Alexandra Blasi March 13, 2024

Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

The Kansas State Board of Pharmacy respectfully submits this neutral testimony on HB 2745. The Board strongly supports minimizing barriers to registration and licensure for active-duty military, veterans, and military spouses, and Board staff have worked diligently to comply with past amendments to K.S.A. 48-3406.

The Board submitted neutral testimony in the House with several questions stemming from the reference to a waiver of "all fees" for military spouses in new subsection (u). The Board believes these questions were sufficiently answered by important amendments made by the House Commerce Committee. The Board respectfully requests the Legislature retain these clarifications to ensure that expectations are clear and there are no unintentional consequences.

In FY 2023, the Board received 18 initial applications from active-duty military and 22 from spouses.

Respectfully submitted.