AN ACT requiring communication of mammographic breast density information to patients; amending K.S.A. 40-2230 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 40-2230 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2230.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of any policy, provision, contract, plan or agreement to which this act applies, whenever reimbursement or indemnity for laboratory or x-ray services are covered, reimbursement or indemnification shall not be denied for mammograms or pap smears when performed at the direction of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the board of healing arts within the lawful scope of such person's license, including services performed at a mobile facility certified by the federal health care financing administration and performing mammography testing by American cancer society guidelines. A policy, provision, contract, plan or agreement may apply to mammograms or pap smears the same deductibles, coinsurance and other limitations as apply to other covered services.

(b) On and after the effective date of this act, each policy, provision, contract plan or agreement which provides coverage required by subsection (a) also shall provide that each mammography report provided to a patient shall include information about breast density. Where applicable, such report shall include the following notice:

"If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might benefit from supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast ultrasound screening or a breast magnetic reasonance imaging (MRI) examination, or both, depending on your individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your physician's office and you should contact your physician if you have any questions or concerns about this report."

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-2230 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.