



TO: House Committee on Insurance
Rep. Jene Vickrey, Chairman

FROM: Kansas Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA)
Bob R. Shields, CPIA - PIA Legislative Chair

RE: WRITTEN ONLY-Testimony in support of HB 2104

DATE: February 7, 2017

Chairman Vickrey and Members of the House Insurance Committee:

The Kansas Association of Professional Insurance Agents, Inc., (PIA) appreciates the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of HB 2104 which proposes to increase the minimum bodily injury limit on motorist insurance policies from \$25,000/\$50,000 to \$50,000/\$100,000, and would prohibit an insurer from reducing the amount of under-insured motorist coverage available for a claim by any payment amount paid by anyone other than the insurer. As you know, the Kansas PIA is an affiliate of the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA National). Kansas PIA is dedicated to delivering exceptional and individual service to Kansas' small and mid-sized agencies and related companies serving the insurance industry. Our members pride themselves on being *Local Agents Serving Main Street America*SM.

PIA greatly appreciates the committee's hearing HB 2104 and supports the increase in the minimum motorist insurance limits relating to bodily injury as proposed by this measure. PIA supported efforts last session to increase the property damage limit amount, and like in that instance, believe that increasing these minimum bodily injury policy limits is long overdue. PIA believes that the increases proposed in HB 2104 would bring Kansas law more in line with the current practice of many of our agents.

The PIA encourages committee members to give favorable consideration to HB 2104 and urge your support!

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide written testimony.

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