40-2260. Group health benefit plan option to establish premium only cafeteria plan. (a) An insurer shall provide, in conjunction with a group health benefit plan, the option of establishing a premium only cafeteria plan as permitted under federal law, 26 U.S.C. section 125.

(b) As used in this section "insurer" means any insurance company, fraternal benefit society, health maintenance organization and nonprofit hospital and medical service corporation authorized to transact health insurance business in this state.

(c) An insurer that establishes or facilitates the establishment of a premium only cafeteria plan or other payroll deduction program pursuant to 26 U.S.C. section 125 does not violate K.S.A. 40-2404, and amendments thereto.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting an insurer from:

(1) Charging a fee for establishing or facilitating the establishment of a premium only cafeteria plan pursuant to this section, and amendments thereto; or

(2) utilizing a vendor to facilitate the establishment of a premium only cafeteria plan pursuant to this section, and amendments thereto.

(e) The provisions of this section shall not take effect until July 1, 2008.

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