

Testimony on HB 2143 for the House Insurance Committee

February 11, 2019

Chairman Vickrey and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2143.

HB 2143 proposes to amend K.S.A. 40-2c01, which concerns a standard regulatory tool referred to as risk-based capital (RBC). The goal of the RBC law is to ensure each Kansas domestic company has the required amount of capital needed to support its overall business operations in consideration of its size and risk profile.

The amendment updates the RBC Instructions, which instruct companies how to calculate and report RBC, to the current version. The amendment merely replaces "2017" with "2018" in the definition for "RBC Instructions." Implementing the RBC Instructions is a national accreditation standard. A similar date change amendment has been made each year since 2009.

For these reasons, we ask the Committee to recommend HB 2143 favorable for passage.

Thank you for the opportunity to appear in support of this bill.

Sincerely,

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