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Kansas Association of Property & Casualty Insurance Companies Inc.

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Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee;

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testify on behalf of the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies (KAPCIC), our state trade association for domestic property and casualty insurance companies. Most of the KAPCIC member companies are domiciled Kansas companies and our members live and work here in the state.

SB 304 allows reciprocal insurance companies to convert to mutual insurance companies. This change allows these companies the opportunity to raise capital, among other items. Current Kansas statute allows for mutual companies to convert to reciprocal insurance companies, but the reverse was not contemplated at the time the statute was enacted.

KAPCIC members are supportive of this change in Kansas law. It is not a mandatory conversion requirement, but one that gives reciprocal companies the ability to contemplate what is in its best interest.

KAPCIC encourages the committee to support the changes in SB 304. Thank you for your time. Please contact me if you have any questions.