

KAPCIC

Kansas Association of Property & Casualty Insurance Companies Inc.

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HB 2024

Written Testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee

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Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee;

Thank you for the opportunity to present information on behalf of the Kansas Association of Property and Casualty Insurance Companies (KAPCIC), the state trade association for domestic property and casualty insurance companies.

HB 2024 would define a “roofing contractor” and require a roofing contractor to obtain a registration certificate from the Attorney General for a fee not to exceed \$500. Any person who fails to obtain a valid registration certificate or acts as a roofing contractor while their registration certificate is suspended or revoked shall be liable for a civil penalty as provided in K.S.A 50-636a, of not more than \$10,000 for each violation along with any other penalty prescribed by law.

KAPCIC members support the roofing registration act. Wind and hail damage is a problem in the state. When we experience a large wind or hail storm, we see an influx of roofers that come to Kansas to provide services. Some of these roofers do not follow through on their words and with the influx of roofers we have seen an influx of unethical roofing practices. This is costly and burdensome for the Kansas consumer. KAPCIC is here today to express support for the bill. In addition to supporting HB 2024, KAPCIC would also support stronger controls on unethical roofing practices in the state.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with the committee members and other stakeholders on the passage of HB 2024.