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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Insurance and Pensions
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
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Subject: Bill Brief for HB 2218

HB 2218 changes the membership of the Kansas state employees healthcare commission and amends K.S.A. 75-6502, and amendments thereto.

Section 1 amends K.S.A. 75-6502, pertaining to the composition of the Kansas state employees health care commission. Under current law, the commission is composed of five members: (1) The commissioner of insurance; (2) the secretary of administration; (3) a current state employee in the classified service under the Kansas civil service act, appointed by the governor; (4) a person who retired from a position in the classified service under the Kansas civil service act, appointed by the governor; and (5) a representative of the general public, appointed by the governor.

The bill would change the requirements of the current state employee from being a current employee in the classified service under the Kansas civil service act, to being a current employee who is currently enrolled in the group medical insurance plan of the state healthcare benefits program.

The bill would also change the requirements of the retired employee from being an individual who retired from the classified service under the Kansas civil service act, to being an individual who retired from state service and who is currently enrolled in the group medical insurance plan of the state healthcare benefits program.