Prison Made Goods Act—Juvenile Employment; Correctional Industries Fund—Workers Compensation Insurance; House Sub. for SB 40

House Sub. for SB 40 amends the Prison Made Goods Act to allow the employment of juvenile offenders in industries established by the Secretary of Corrections. Additionally, the bill removes an expired provision allowing the sale of prison-made articles, products, and services to Kansas residents and businesses.

The bill also amends the statute creating the Correctional Industries Fund to allow moneys in the Fund to be used to purchase workers compensation insurance for inmates assigned to a certified prison industry enhancement certification program (PIECP) customer model industry owned and operated by Kansas Correctional Industries. Subject to PIECP wage-level requirements, inmates assigned to the program will have the same status as inmates assigned to a traditional industries program and will not be regarded as state employees.