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To: Special Committee on Insurance
Representative Scott Schwab, Chairman

From: Bob R. Shields, CPIA- PIA Legislative Chair
Kansas Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA)

Re: WRITTEN ONLY- Testimony regarding 2015 HB 2067 and in support
of increasing minimum motor vehicle liability insurance policy limits

Date: December 7, 2015

Chairman Schwab and Members of the Special Committee on Insurance:

The Kansas Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA) appreciates the opportunity to submit written testimony on the interim study topic of the need to increase the minimum motor vehicle liability insurance policy limits and 2015 Session HB 2067. As you know, the Kansas PIA is an affiliate of the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA National). Kansas PIA is dedicated to delivering exceptional and individual service to Kansas' small to mid-sized agencies and related companies serving the insurance industry. Our members pride themselves on being local agents serving main street America.

PIA sincerely appreciates this committee's review of current law regarding minimum motor vehicle liability insurance policy limits and generally supports the increase of such limits as outlined in 2015 HB 2067. PIA believes since no changes to the current minimum policy limits have occurred since 1984, such a review and serious consideration for increasing these policy limits is long overdue. Accordingly, changes in the law, similar to those outlined in 2015 HB 2067, would bring Kansas law more in line with the current practice of many of our agents.

The PIA supports the Special Committee on Insurance making a recommendation to the 2016 Legislature to increase minimum motor vehicle liability insurance policy limits either as outlined by 2015 HB 2067, or some other reasonable and appropriate level that is determined as a result of this interim study.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide written testimony.

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