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Armed Employees Could Cost Ks Schools Insurance

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) - The company that insures most of Kansas' school districts says it won't provide coverage for districts that allow armed employees.

EMC Insurance Companies has told its agents around the state not to offer policies to school districts that allow concealed weapons under a law that takes effect July 1. EMC will not renew policies for districts it already insures if they allow concealed weapons.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports EMC insures about 90 percent of the state's 286 school districts.

EMC official Bernie Zalaznik says the company believes the decision is in its best financial interest because of the potential liabilities.

The new law lets school boards designate employees who can bring guns to school. Currently, only law enforcement officers can carry guns on school property.

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