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Commissioner Vicki Schmidt

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Butler County man sentenced for insurance fraud

Topeka, Kan. – Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt, today, announced a Kansas man has been sentenced to six months of probation for insurance fraud.

Robert Heidbreder, age 30, pleaded guilty in the District Court of Sedgwick County to one misdemeanor count of insurance fraud and one misdemeanor count of attempted theft after attempting to gain insurance coverage for an uninsured vehicle after that vehicle was reported stolen. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced on May 21 to six months of probation with six months underlying prison time if his probation is violated. Heidbreder was also assessed \$1,000 in fines.

“Insurance fraud costs all Kansans in the form of increased premiums every year,” Commissioner Schmidt said. “The Department will continue pursuing penalties against anyone committing insurance fraud in Kansas.”

The Kansas Department of Insurance investigated the case, which was prosecuted by the Kansas Attorney General’s Office.

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*The Kansas Department of Insurance was established in 1871, currently led by Commissioner Vicki Schmidt. The mission of the Department is to **regulate** companies that sell policies in Kansas to ensure solvency and compliance with state law, **educate** consumers about all things insurance and securities, and **advocate** for a strong and competitive market to give Kansans choices when shopping for products that meet their needs*