

Court of Justice



# HOUSE BILL 1 IMPLEMENTATION

For Child Welfare Oversight and Advisory Committee

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# Areas of Implementation

## EDUCATION

- Judiciary
- Clerks
- Attorneys
- Foster Care Review Board Volunteers

## PRACTICE

- Court Rules
- Court Forms
- Staff Support

## PERFORMANCE

- Community Forums
- Outcome Measures
- Future planning



# EDUCATION

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# STAKEHOLDER EDUCATION

## WEBINAR

- Discussed impact to affected proceedings
- Hosted by AOC and available to all Judges

## JEFFERSON COUNTY

- Discussed the final draft of House Bill 1
- Over 100 in attendance

## JUDICIAL COLLEGES

- House Bill 1 will to be discussed at Judicial Colleges for Circuit/Family and District Court Judges

## KENTUCKY LAW UPDATES

- August – December
- Will include session on HB 1

## FAMILY LAW CONFERENCE

- Presentation by Judge Hagerty
- Over 80 in attendance



# STAKEHOLDER EDUCATION

## COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL

- House Bill 1 changes have been integrated into Guardian ad Litem/Court Appointed Counsel training curriculum and materials
- AOC currently developing a webinar to inform attorneys

## CIRCUIT COURT CLERKS

- House Bill 1 was included in the topics for the Circuit Clerk Conference
- Clerks received information on update and new forms on effective date

## FOSTER CARE REVIEW BOARD VOLUNTEERS

- AOC presented on House Bill 1 to the Executive Committee
- Regional Trainings will center around the changes to legal proceedings and Cabinet procedures.



# PRACTICE

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# FAMILY COURT RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRACTICE

## Supreme Court Standing Committee on the Family Court Rules of Procedure and Practice

- Judges, clerks, attorneys, agency representatives
- Legislative Subcommittee reviews statute changes and recommends rule amendments
- Standing Committee will discuss recommendations and draft proposed changes
- Supreme Court to consider and adopt appropriate rules consistent with HB 1



# APPELLATE COURTS

## Proposed Amendments to CR 76

- Creates an expedited briefing schedule for termination of parental rights cases
- Notice and opportunity for comment given to the Bar via the Kentucky Bar Association Convention
- COA currently in pilot with Jefferson County to scan and share electronic versions of TPR case files to expedite the process





# AOC COURT FORMS

## Changes to Dependency, Abuse and Neglect Forms

- AOC reviewed the forms and identified changes due to House Bill 1
- Nine forms were changed to include new language and sections
- AOC distributed the new forms along with instruction to judges and clerks
- New forms will be discussed in attorney trainings



# CITIZEN FOSTER CARE REVIEW BOARD COMMUNITY FORUMS

- The community forums will be held in each of the eight regions
- Promoted through fliers, press releases, and social media
- Regional Representatives will facilitate the community forums
- AOC will assist in recording the findings and recommendations, which will be included in the State Board's Annual Report to the Governor, Supreme Court, and this Committee.



# PERFORMANCE

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# MEASURING PERFORMANCE

## CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

- AOC can access and analyze data on permanency and court efficiency.
- The data system is being improved to provide clearer picture of court proceedings and outcomes.

## COMMUNITY FORUMS

- Foster Care Review Board Community Forums will offer an excellent opportunity to gather input on the Courts' performance.
- AOC will review findings and recommendations and seek resolution of issues.

## RESPONSIVE IMPROVEMENT

- AOC will use data and findings to identify areas of opportunity.
- Assistance and training will be provided to address identified challenges.



# QUESTIONS



Thank you for the opportunity to discuss KCOJ's  
implementation of House Bill 1.

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