

504.020 Mental illness or intellectual disability. (Effective July 15, 2026)

- (1) A person is not responsible for criminal conduct if at the time of the conduct, as a result of mental illness or intellectual disability, he or she lacks substantial capacity to appreciate the nature and quality of his or her conduct.
- (2) As used in this chapter, the term "mental illness or intellectual disability" does not include an abnormality manifested only by repeated criminal or otherwise antisocial conduct.
- (3) A defendant may prove mental illness or intellectual disability, as used in this section, in exculpation of criminal conduct.

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Legislative Research Commission Note (7/15/2026). 2026 Ky. Acts ch. 14, sec. 6, provides that the Act, which amended this section and KRS 439.3406, 504.060, 504.120, and 504.150, may be cited as Logan's Law.