605.130 General duties of cabinet.

In addition to the other duties, functions, and responsibilities imposed by law, the cabinet, through its authorized representatives, shall have general supervision and management of all matters contained in KRS 620.150 and 620.170 and shall, wherever possible:

(1) Locate and plan for all children who are dependent, neglected, or abused;

(2) Cooperate with and assist the courts of the various counties;

(3) Assist Circuit Courts through services to children whenever requested by the court. The cabinet may charge a reasonable fee for such services to be taxed as costs by the court;

(4) Track and report to the oversight council created in KRS 15A.063 the number of referrals received, the number of investigations made upon those referrals, and the number and type of petitions filed in response;

(5) Identify all youth who have status offense charges and are committed or probated to the cabinet and report the number of committed and probated youth to the oversight council created in KRS 15A.063; and

(6) Perform such other services as may be deemed necessary for the protection of children.

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