AN ACT relating to public safety and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 11 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) To the extent funds are made available, the Commonwealth Office of Technology shall establish a statewide planning and mapping system for public buildings in this state for use by response agencies who are called to respond to an act of terrorism or an emergency.

(2) The statewide planning and mapping system for public buildings shall include:
   (a) Floor plans, fire protection information, building evacuation plans, utility information, known hazards, and information on how to contact emergency personnel;
   (b) The manner by which the information required by paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be transferred to the system from state agencies and the local political subdivisions who participate in the system;
   (c) Standards for the software that shall be used by state agencies and local political subdivisions that participate in the system;
   (d) Conditions for use of the system by response agencies;
   (e) Guidelines for:
      1. The accessibility and confidentiality of information contained within the system; and
      2. The incorporation, in connection with the use of the system, of the items described in paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of this section;
   (f) In accordance with information obtained by the Office for Security Coordination, a priority for the distribution of any money that may be available for state agencies and political subdivisions to participate in the system; and
   (g) Guidelines recommended by the Division of Emergency Management for the training of persons employed by the response agencies concerning the use of the system.

(3) To the extent money is available, state agencies and political subdivisions shall:
   (a) Participate in the statewide planning and mapping system; and
   (b) Incorporate into their use of the system, without limitation:
      1. Evacuation routes and strategies for evacuation;
      2. Alarms and other signals or means of notification;
      3. Plans for remaining inside a building, room, structure, or other location during an emergency when egress may be impossible or when egress may present a more substantial risk than remaining inside; and

If a state agency or political subdivision uses its own planning and mapping system before the Commonwealth Office of Technology establishes a statewide planning and mapping system, the state agency or political subdivision may continue to use its system unless money is made available for the state agency or political subdivision to update or modify its system as necessary for inclusion in the statewide system.

(4) The Commonwealth Office of Technology:
   (a) Shall pursue any money that may be available from the federal government for the development and operation of a statewide planning and mapping system for public buildings, and for the distribution of grants to state agencies and political subdivisions that participate in the system; and
(b) May accept gifts, grants, and contributions for the development and operation of a statewide planning and mapping system, and for the distribution of grants to the state agencies and political subdivisions that participate in the system.

(5) Each state agency and political subdivision that participates in the system shall, on or before July 1, 2007, and on or before July 1 of each year thereafter, submit to the Commonwealth Office of Technology a progress report setting forth, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Commonwealth Office of Technology, the experience of the agency or political subdivision with respect to its participation in the system. The Commonwealth Office of Technology shall receive and process the progress reports, and provide a summarized overview of the system to the Legislative Research Commission on or before October 1, 2007, and on or before October 1 of each year thereafter.

Section 2. KRS 198B.010 is amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless otherwise provided:

(1) "Assembly occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building or structure or any portion thereof by a gathering of persons for civic, political, travel, religious, social, or recreational purposes, including among others:

(a) Armories;
(b) Assembly halls;
(c) Auditoriums;
(d) Bowling alleys;
(e) Broadcasting studios;
(f) Chapels;
(g) Churches;
(h) Clubrooms;
(i) Community buildings;
(j) Courthouses;
(k) Dance halls;
(l) Exhibition rooms;
(m) Gymnasiums;
(n) Hotels;
(o) Lecture rooms;
(p) Lodge rooms;
(q) Motels;
(r) Motion picture theaters;
(s) Museums;
(t) Night clubs;
(u) Opera houses;
(v) Passenger stations;
(w) Pool rooms;
(x) Recreation areas;
(y) Restaurants;
(z) Skating rinks;
(aa) Television studios;
(bb) Theaters.

(2) "Attic" means the space between the ceiling beams of the top habitable story and the roof rafters.

(3) "Basement" means that portion of a building the average height of which is at least half below grade, which is ordinarily used for purposes such as storage, laundry facilities, household tool shops, and installation and operation of heating, cooling, and ventilating facilities, but which is not ordinarily used for purposes of general household habitation.

(4) "Building" means any combination of materials, whether portable or fixed, which comprises a structure or nonmine underground area affording facilities or shelter for any human occupancy, whether infrequent or regular, and also means single-family dwellings, including those sold or constructed under a trade or brand name. The word "building" shall be construed wherever used herein as if followed by the words "or part or parts thereof and all equipment therein" unless the context clearly requires a different meaning. "Building" shall also mean swimming pools constructed below grade on site, but not swimming pools assembled above grade on site. "Building" shall not mean a manufactured home governed by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. secs. 5401 et seq., or a farm dwelling or other farm buildings and structures incident to the operation and maintenance of the farm if the farm structures are located outside the boundary of a municipality and are not used in the business of retail trade or used as a place of regular employment for ten (10) or more people or structures used in the storage or processing of timber products.

(5) "Business occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building or structure or any portion thereof for the transaction of business, the rendering or receiving of professional services, or the displaying, selling, or buying of goods, wares, or merchandise, or the housing of vehicles of transportation, except where occupancy is of high hazard, including among others:

(a) Banks;
(b) Barber shops;
(c) Beauty parlors;
(d) Department stores;
(e) Garages;
(f) Markets;
(g) Service stations;
(h) Offices;
(i) Stores;
(j) Radio stations;
(k) Telephone exchanges;
(l) Television stations.

(6) "Certified building inspector" means a person who has been certified by the office as having successfully completed the test requirements provided by KRS 198B.090 to practice as a city, county, or state building inspector within the Commonwealth.

(7) "Certified plans and specifications inspector" means a person who has been certified by the office as having successfully completed the test requirements provided by KRS 198B.090 to practice as a city, county, or state plans and specifications inspector within the Commonwealth.

(8) "Certified plumbing inspector" means a person who has been certified by the office as having successfully completed the test requirements provided by KRS 198B.090 and 318.140, or 318.090 to practice as a city, county, or state plumbing inspector within the Commonwealth.

(9) "Executive director" means the executive director of housing, buildings and construction.
"Construction" means the erection, fabrication, reconstruction, substantial alteration or conversion of a building, or the installation of equipment therein, but shall not include the ordinary repair of a building or structure.

"Office" means the Office of Housing, Buildings and Construction.

"Educational occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building or structure or any portion thereof by persons assembled for the purpose of learning or of receiving educational instruction. "Educational occupancy" shall not include a building for occupancy or use by thirty-five (35) persons or less assembled to receive religious and educational instruction. "Educational occupancy" includes but is not limited to,

- Academies;
- Care centers;
- Colleges;
- Kindergartens;
- Libraries;
- Preschools;
- Relocatable classroom units;
- Schools;
- Seminaries;
- Universities.

"Equipment" means facilities or installations, including but not limited to, heating, electrical, ventilating, air conditioning, and refrigerating facilities or installations.

"High hazard occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building or structure or any portion thereof that involves highly combustible, highly flammable, or explosive materials or which has inherent characteristics that constitute a special fire hazard, including among others:

- Aluminum powder factories;
- Charging or filling stations;
- Distilleries;
- Dry cleaning plants;
- Dry dyeing plants;
- Explosive-manufacture, sale or storage;
- Flour and feed mills;
- Gasoline bulk plants;
- Grain elevators;
- Lacquer factories;
- Liquefied petroleum gas;
- Mattress factories;
- Paint factories;
- Pyroxylin-factories, or warehouses;
- Rubber factories.

"Industrial occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building structure or any portion thereof for assembling, fabricating, finishing, manufacturing, packaging, or processing operations, except for occupancies of high hazard, including among others:
(a) Assembly plants;
(b) Creameries;
(c) Electrical substations;
(d) Factories;
(e) Ice plants;
(f) Laboratories;
(g) Laundries;
(h) Manufacturing plants;
(i) Mills;
(j) Power plants;
(k) Processing plants;
(l) Pumping stations;
(m) Repair garages;
(n) Smokehouses;
(o) Workshops.

(16) "Industrialized building system" means any structure or component thereof which is wholly or in substantial part fabricated in an off-site manufacturing facility for installation or assembly on a permanent foundation at the building site.

(17) "Institutional occupancy" means the occupancy or use of a building or structure or any portion thereof by persons harbored or detained to receive medical, charitable, or other care or treatment, or by persons involuntarily detained, including among others:

(a) Asylums;
(b) Homes for the aged;
(c) Hospitals;
(d) Houses of correction;
(e) Infirmaries;
(f) Jails;
(g) Nursing homes;
(h) Orphanages;
(i) Penal institutions;
(j) Reformatories;
(k) Sanitariums;
(l) Nurseries.

(18) "Mobile home" means mobile home as defined in KRS 227.550.

(19) "Ordinary repair" means any nonstructural reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing building for the purpose of its maintenance, or decoration, and shall include, but not be limited to, the replacement or installation of nonstructural components of the building such as roofing, siding, windows, storm windows, insulation, drywall or lath and plaster, or any other replacement, in kind, that does not alter the structural integrity, alter the occupancy or use of the building, or affect, by rearrangement, exitways and means of egress; but shall not include additions to, or alteration of, or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring, or mechanical equipment including furnaces and hot water heaters or other work affecting public health or safety.
"Story" means that part of a building comprised between a floor and the floor or roof next above which is not a basement or an attic.

"Person with a physical disability" means a person confined to a wheelchair; a person who uses braces or crutches; a person who because of the loss of a foot or leg or because of an arthritic, spastic, pulmonary, or cardiac condition, walks with difficulty or insecurity; a person who suffers from a faulty coordination or palsy; a person who is blind or whose sight is so impaired that, functioning in a public area, he or she is insecure or exposed to danger; a person whose hearing is so impaired that he or she is unable to hear warning signals; and a person whose mobility, flexibility, coordination, and perceptiveness are significantly reduced by aging.

"Facility for persons with physical disabilities" means any convenience or device which facilitates the health, safety, or comfort of a person with a disability, including, but not limited to, ramps, handrails, elevators, and doors.

"Manufactured home" is defined as in KRS 227.550.

Section 3. Whereas the hardship placed on communities will continue absent passage of Section 2 of this Act, an emergency is declared to exist, and Section 2 of this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

Approved April 22, 2006.