

CHAPTER 159**(HB 33)**

AN ACT relating to school notification of persons authorized to contact or remove a child.

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

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 620 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *If, as a result of dependency, neglect, or abuse, custody of a child is granted to the cabinet through an emergency, temporary, or permanent court order, the cabinet shall notify the principal, assistant principal, or guidance counselor of the school in which the child is enrolled of the names of persons authorized to contact the child at school, in accordance with school visitation or communication policy, or remove the child from school grounds.*
- (2) *The notification required by this section shall be provided to the school:*
 - (a) *Verbally and documented in writing by the principal, assistant principal, or guidance counselor on the day that a court order is entered and again on any day that a change is made with regard to persons authorized to contact or remove the child from school . The verbal notification shall occur on the next school day immediately following the day a court order is entered or a change is made if the court order or change occurs after the end of the current school day; and*
 - (b) *By written document within ten (10) calendar days following a change of custody or change in contact or removal authority.*
- (3) *The cabinet's mandate to provide the information required by this section shall cease when the court order under which the cabinet acts is rescinded or otherwise expires.*

Signed by Governor April 10, 2017.