

**CHAPTER 154****( HB 752 )**

AN ACT relating to disaster recovery, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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

➔Section 1. Notwithstanding KRS 39A.303(6) and (8), from the appropriation set out in 2022 (1st Extra. Sess.) Ky. Acts ch. 1, sec. 6, there is hereby appropriated Restricted Funds from the East Kentucky State Aid Funding for Emergencies (EKSAFE) fund established in KRS 39A.303 in the amount of \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Breathitt County school district for strained fiscal liquidity related to the impact of the Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster, designated FEMA-4663-DR.

➔Section 2. Notwithstanding KRS 39A.305(8) and (9), there is hereby appropriated Restricted Funds from the West Kentucky State Aid Funding for Emergencies (WKSAFE) fund established in KRS 39A.305 in the amount of \$54,331,000 in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Department for Local Government for strained fiscal liquidity in:

(1) The City of Mayfield, in the amount of \$48,231,000 for the electric and water systems, fire station #1, police station, and city hall; and

(2) Graves County, in the amount of \$6,100,000 for the administrative building.

➔Section 3. If a recipient of moneys from the EKSAFE or WKSAFE fund under Section 1 or 2 of this Act subsequently receives moneys from any other source, the recipient shall reimburse the Commonwealth for the amount of the moneys received from the EKSAFE or WKSAFE fund. All moneys reimbursed to the Commonwealth shall be deposited into the Budget Reserve Trust Fund account established in KRS 48.705 within 30 days. The moneys appropriated in Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall not lapse and shall carry forward until June 30, 2026. If the moneys are not encumbered by June 30, 2026, the moneys shall be returned to the Commonwealth and shall be deposited into the Budget Reserve Trust Fund account established in KRS 48.705 within 30 days.

➔Section 4. Whereas the continuing recovery from the December 2021 storms and tornadoes and the July 2022 storms and flooding in Kentucky is of utmost importance to the citizens within those devastated areas, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

**Signed by Governor April 9, 2024.**