

**65.134 Cold case investigations -- Law enforcement may contract with retired peace officer -- Conditions.**

- (1) For purposes of this section:
  - (a) "Cold case" means an unsolved criminal investigation;
  - (b) "Law enforcement agency" means any police department of a local government or sheriff's department; and
  - (c) "Local government" means any city, county, charter county government, consolidated local government, urban-county government, or unified local government.
- (2) Any law enforcement agency may contract with a retired peace officer when:
  - (a)
    1. New information concerning a cold case involving homicide is brought to the attention of the law enforcement agency; or
    2. The law enforcement agency wishes to conduct a review of its cold cases involving homicide; and
  - (b) The retired peace officer could provide unique expertise or knowledge that would aid in solving a cold case.
- (3) A retired peace officer contracted with pursuant to this section shall not be considered a peace officer for purposes of the contracted work and shall not exercise peace officer powers.
- (4) Any compensation received by a retired peace officer under this section shall not be considered creditable compensation for any retirement system the retired peace officer participates in that is authorized under the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

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