GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE
Minutes
October 13, 2026

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Government Contract Review Committee met on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at 9:00 AM ET/8:00 AM CT, in Room 129 of the Capitol Annex. Representative Mark Hart, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Representative Mark Hart, Co-Chair, Senator Donald Douglas, Co-Chair; Senators Stephen Meredith, Craig Richardson, and Reginald L. Thomas; and Representatives Jared Bauman, Bobby McCool, Jason Petrie, and Rachel Roarx.

Guests: Brian Lock, Staff Attorney, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet (JPSC); Dena Burton, Executive Director, Office of Operations, Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ); Juan Renaud, Deputy Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs (KDVA); Silas Sessions, Executive Director, KDVA; Todd Kilburn, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Kentucky Community Technical College System (KCTCS); Deck Decker, Associate Vice President, Business Services, KCTCS; Jessica Stigall, General Counsel, KCTCS; Chris Crumine, Director of Government Affairs, KCTCS; Grant Garber, General Counsel, Northern Kentucky University (NKU); Naomi Emmons, Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, University of Kentucky (UK); Craig Collins, Chief Financial Officer, UK; Michael Hatfield, Healthcare Government Relations Director, UK; David Gormley, Director of Division of Professional Services, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC); Eileen Butts, Interim Director of Purchasing and Auxiliary Services, Kentucky State University (KSU); Dr. Steven Stack, Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS); Gena Boyle, Deputy Commissioner, Department for Community Based Services (DCBS); Paula Saenz, Transitional Services Branch Manager, Department of Protection and Permanency, CHFS; Melanie Taylor, Director, Department of Protection and Permanency, DCBS; Julie Ferrell, Assistant Director, Department of Protection and Permanency, DCBS; Lisa Lee, Commissioner, Department of Medicaid Services (DMS); Dr. Tama The, Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician, UK; Dr. Judy Theriot, Medical Director, DMS; Patti Clark, Director, Division of Mental Health, Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID); Rachael Ratliff, Program Administrator, DBHDID.

LRC Staff: Jarrod Schmidt, Kim Smith, and Elizabeth Raymond

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas and seconded by Senator Meredith to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2026, meeting. Minutes were approved by voice vote without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Kentucky Entertainment Incentive Program Agreements List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider as reviewed the Additions List. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Blue & Company, LLC, 2700000575.

BOARD OF DENTISTRY
Allone Health Well, 2700000731.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
David Dale Lanier, 2600004208.

BOARD OF HAIRDRESSERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS
Logan & Gaines, PLLC, 2700000379.

DEPARTMENT FOR NATURAL RESOURCES
Lewis & Ellis, LLC, 2700000008; Rousseau Volunteer Fire Department, 2700000450.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
CN Resource, LLC, 2600004515.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
KTA-Tator, Inc., 2700000562.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
Bluegrass EMS Physicians, LLC, 2700000627.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
American Health Associates, 2700000588.

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
Shield Environmental Associates, Inc., 4295-2027.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES
Patrick D. Murphy Company, Inc., 2700000410.

KENTUCKY FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES
Agri-Air, LLC, 2700000210.

KENTUCKY STATE POLICE
Lewie Dodd, 2700000699; Nelson Dales, 2700000767.

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY
TM2 Executive Search, 27-028.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM
Dr. George Chitiyo, 1040; CapFinancial Partners, LLC d/b/a CAPTRUST, 1041; Jane McGuire Educational Consulting, 1043.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY
Wright Capital Holdings, LLC d/b/a Collegiate Consulting, 044-27.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
Cardinal Engineering Corporation, 2027-158.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
Americas Dementia Coach, LLC, 2700000242.

PERSONNEL BOARD
Allen Law Office, 2700000207.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Towers Paducah Powersports, 2600002846-1; Balance Dynamics Motorcycle Training Center, Inc., 2700000032.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
Global Commerce & Information, Inc., 356845; NOMI Design, A271140; APAX Software, K27-200; CAPFinancial Partners, LLC, d/b/a CAPTRUST Financial Advisors, K27-201; Dr. Eric Welch, K27-202; Renee Stevens Design, LLC, K27-203; Charles River Laboratories, Inc., K27-204; Baptist Health Medical Group, K27-205.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP, 00001276; QK4, Inc., 00001350.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
Huron Consulting Services, LLC, 262730; Tennessee Captioning, 262828.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP, 2600003553.

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
Multi, 2600000239; Multi, 2600000242; Multi, 2600000243.

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Aecom Technical Services, Inc., 1600001323; Schnabel Engineering, LLC, 2200002944.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

HMB Professional Engineers, Inc., 1100001265; Palmer Engineering Company, 1200000457; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 1200001743; EA Partners, PLC, 1300002066; Burgess and Niple, Inc., 2100000816; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2100000817; Gresham Smith, 2200000427; QK4, Inc., 2200001942; Strand Associates, Inc., 2400000001; HDR Engineering, Inc., 2400002786; HDR Engineering, Inc., 2400003608; HDR Engineering, Inc., 2500001434; Palmer Engineering Company, 2500001755; Prime AE Group, Inc., 2600000810; Palmer Engineering Company, 2600001743; Gresham Smith, C-99005237.

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Hafer, PSC, 3124-2025.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

EOP Architects PSC, 2100000950; Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., 2200000259; EOP Architects PSC, 2200003831; Omni Architects, 2300000392; Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., 2300001680; Paladin, Inc., 2300001751; Treanorhl, 2400000155; Schmidt Associates, Inc., 2400000546; Schmidt Associates, Inc., 2400001641; Joseph & Joseph, PLLC, 2500000756; Strand Associates, Inc., 2500001259; Hafer PSC, 2500002204; Patrick D. Murphy Company, Inc., 2500003099; DLZ Kentucky, Inc., 2600002358.

KENTUCKY FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., 2300003399; Sustainable Streams, LLC, 2500001449.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Luckett and Farley, 24-017; Praxis Sim Holdings, LLC, 994.

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

TPMA, LLC, 26-006.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Throwing Words, 031-27; Global Partnerships Simplified, LLC, 036-27; VetForward, LLC, 039-27.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Dressman, Benzinger & Lavelle, 2027-116.

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

Multi, 2600000150.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
E & E Cycles of Kentucky, LLC, 2600002846.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
Ross Tarrant Architects, A261120.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Reach Evaluation, LLC, 2700000706.

CHFS - DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING
Multi, 2700000037.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES
Brighton Center, Inc., 2700000036; Feeding Kentucky, Inc., 2700000078; Brighton Center, Inc., 2700000091; Thrive By 5 Louisville, Inc., 2700000098; Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, 2700000224.

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Kentucky Association for Environmental Education, 2700000034; Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves, 2700000086; Friends of Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge, 2700000109; City of Versailles, 2700000597; Fayette County Board of Education, 2700000636.

DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Town of Wayland, 2500001081; Letcher County Water & Sewer District, 2600000891; City of Somerset, 2600002065; Scott County Fiscal Court, 2600003333; City of Danville, 2600004116; City of Louisa, 2600004130; City of Jackson, 2600004796; City of Fredonia, 2600004808; City of Murray, 2600004809; Lewis County, 2600004811; City of Dawson Springs, 2700000094; City of Warsaw, 2700000095; Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court, 2700000113; Perry County Fiscal Court, 2700000114; Perry County Fiscal Court, 2700000135; City of Jackson, 2700000138; Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, 2700000142; Webster County Fiscal Court, 2700000150; Webster County Fiscal Court, 2700000151; Webster County Fiscal Court, 2700000152; Webster County Fiscal Court, 2700000153; Pike County Fiscal Court, 2700000154; Pike County Fiscal Court, 2700000155; Perry County Fiscal Court, 2700000156; Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation, 2700000173; Lincoln Trail Area Development District, 2700000179; City of Hazard, 2700000183; City of Campton, 2700000185; Knott County Fiscal Court, 2700000186; Oldham County Fiscal Court,

2700000206; Letcher County Fiscal Court, 2700000253; Leslie County, 2700000254; Leslie County, 2700000255; Leslie County, 2700000256; Leslie County, 2700000258; Whitley County Fiscal Court, 2700000259; Henderson County Fiscal Court, 2700000295; Webster County Industrial Development Authority, 2700000299; Morgan County Fiscal Court, 2700000300; Morgan County Fiscal Court, 2700000301; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000310; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000311; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000312; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000314; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000315; Union County Fiscal Court, 2700000316; Perry County Fiscal Court, 2700000326; Floyd County Fiscal Court, 2700000357; Monroe County Industrial Development Authority, 2700000387; Harlan County Fiscal Court, 2700000400; Barren River Area Development District, 2700000422; Big Sandy Area Development District, 2700000423; Bluegrass Area Development District, 2700000424; Buffalo Trace Area Development District, 2700000425; Cumberland Valley Area Development District, 2700000426; Fivco Area Development District, 2700000427; Gateway Area Development District, 2700000428; Green River Area Development District, 2700000429; Kentucky River Area Development District, 2700000430; Kentuckiana Regional Planning & Development Agency, 2700000431; Lake Cumberland Area Development District, Inc., 2700000432; Lincoln Trail Area Development District, 2700000433; Northern Kentucky Area Development District, 2700000434; Pennyrile Area Development, 2700000435; Purchase Area Development District, Inc., 2700000436; City of New Haven, 2700000437; City of Calvert City, 2700000438; City of Hawesville, 2700000441; City of Maysville, 2700000444; Marshall County Fiscal Court, 2700000448; City of Danville, 2700000454; City of Pineville, 2700000455; City of Elkton, 2700000458; Kentucky First Robotics, 2700000490; Apple Patch Community, Inc. d/b/a Pillar, 2700000501; City of Hazard, 2700000513; Madison County, 2700000516; Johnson County, 2700000532; Kenton County Fiscal Court, 2700000549; Martin County Fiscal Court, 2700000551; Martin County Fiscal Court, 2700000552; Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, 2700000576; Bluegrass Center for Autism, 2700000610; Lee County, 2700000628; Lexington Children's Theatre, 2700000637; City of Dawson Springs, 2700000647; Logan County Fiscal Court, 2700000659; Jackson County Fiscal Court, 2700000665; Jackson County Fiscal Court, 2700000666; Jackson County Fiscal Court, 2700000667; Volunteers of America Mid-States, Inc., 2700000668; Volunteers of America Mid-States, Inc., 2700000670; Cedar Lake Foundation, Inc., 2700000682; Dare To Care, Inc., 2700000686; Lawrence County Fiscal Court, 2700000712; Allen County-Scottsville Industrial Development Authority, 2700000720; Princeton-Caldwell County Industrial Development Authority, 2700000724.

DEPARTMENT FOR NATURAL RESOURCES

Multi, 2700000001; Multi, 2700000003; Multi, 2700000006; Multi, 2700000009; City of Owensboro, 2700000289.

DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill, 2600002882; Kentucky Primary Care Association, Inc., 2700000247; Carlisle County Ambulance Service, 2700000321; Livingston County Ambulance Service, 2700000323; Jessamine County, 2700000325; Anderson County Park Land Acquisition Company, 2700000360; Fern Creek Fire Protection District, 2700000362; Hardin County Fiscal Court, 2700000363; Adair County Ambulance Service, 2700000368; Fleming County EMS, 2700000370; Cumberland River Behavioral Health, Inc., 2700000407; Baptist Health Care System, Inc., 2700000411; Medical Center EMS, LLC, 2700000453; National Foundation for the Centers for Disease Control, 2700000491; Communicare, Inc., 2700000590; Ramey Estep Homes, Inc., 2700000604; Northkey Community Care, 2700000605; Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc., 2700000615; Cumberland River Behavioral Health, Inc., 2700000619; Lake Cumberland Mental Health Mental Retardation Board d/b/a The Adanta Group, 2700000621; Kentucky River Community Care, Inc., 2700000622; Kentucky River Community Care, Inc., 2700000623; Western Kentucky Regional Mental Health & Retardation Advisory Board, 2700000624; Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville, Inc., 2700000639; Campbellsville University, 2700000694; University of Pikeville, 2700000696; On Demand Kare, Inc., 2700000709.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Diane Kay Vetters, 2700000298; Kentucky FFA Foundation, 2700000386; Murray State University, 2700000392.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin, 2600003980; Allen County Board of Education, 2700000149; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000249; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000264; Barren County Board of Education, 2700000347; Breathitt County Board of Education, 2700000349; Calloway County Board of Education, 2700000350; Campbell County Board of Education, 2700000351; Carter County Board of Education, 2700000352; Christian County Board of Education, 2700000353; Crittenden County Board of Education, 2700000367; Cumberland County Board of Education, 2700000369; Floyd County Board of Education, 2700000371; Frankfort Independent School District, 2700000372; Fulton Independent Board of Education, 2700000373; Grant County Board of Education, 2700000374; Graves County Board of Education, 2700000375; Kentucky Special Parent Involvement Network, Inc., 2700000388; Center for Accessible Living, Inc., 2700000394; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000446; Grayson County Board of Education, 2700000457; Harlan County Board of Education, 2700000459; Jackson County Board of Education, 2700000460; Jackson Independent School District, 2700000462; Johnson County Board of Education, 2700000468; Larue County Board of Education, 2700000470; Lee County

Board of Education, 2700000472; Livingston County Board of Education, 2700000473; Magoffin County Board of Education, 2700000475; Marshall County Board of Education, 2700000476; Mason County Board of Education, 2700000477; McCreary County Board of Education, 2700000478; Monroe County Board of Education, 2700000479; Montgomery County Board of Education, 2700000480; Nelson County Board of Education, 2700000481; Newport Independent School District, 2700000482; Paducah Independent School District, 2700000483; Paintsville Independent School District, 2700000484; Pulaski County Board of Education, 2700000485; Robertson County Board of Education, 2700000486; Taylor County Board of Education, 2700000487; Whitley County Board of Education, 2700000488; Woodford County Board of Education, 2700000489; Kentucky Valley Education, 2700000492; Kentucky Community and Technical College System, 2700000586; Lincoln County Board of Education, 2700000593; Garrard County Board of Education, 2700000598.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Mercer County Board of Education, 2600004673; Shelby County Board of Education, 2600004679.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Eminence Independent Board of Education, 2700000343.

DEPARTMENT OF TRAVEL

Multi, 2700000027; Multi, 2700000028; Multi, 2700000030; Multi, 2700000031.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment for Kentucky Veterans, Inc., 2600003973.

ECON DEV - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Warren County, 2700000531; Powell County Fiscal Court, 2700000656; Shaping Our Appalachian Region, Inc., 2700000674; Grayson County Fiscal Court, 2700000744.

FINANCE - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Medical Debt Resolution, Inc., 2700000660.

JUSTICE - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Fayette County Board of Education, 2700000277; City of Independence, 2700000278; Pulaski County Sheriff, 2700000282; Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services, Inc., 2700000283; Warren County, 2700000503; Barren County Fiscal Court, 2700000504; City of Elizabethtown, 2700000505; Kenton County Fiscal Court, 2700000507; Simpson County Fiscal Court, 2700000508; City of Georgetown, 2700000595; Goodwill Industries of Kentucky, Inc., 2700000602.

KENTUCKY HERITAGE COUNCIL

American Battlefield Trust, 2700000212.

KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Vehicle Regulation, 2700000525; Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government, 2700000553; Boone County Sheriff, 2700000558.

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY

The Jane and Gary Booth Foundation, 27-002.

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS

University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc., 2700000204.

OFFICE OF ENERGY POLICY

Western Kentucky University, 2700000002; University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc., 2700000103; Knott County Fiscal Court, 2700000291.

PUB PROTECTION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Hope Initiative, Inc., 2700000704.

TOURISM - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Lexington Children's Museum, 2700000395.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc., 2700000171; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000396; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000397; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000402; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000403; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000404; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000405; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000406; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000413; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000419; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000420; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000515; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000517; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000533; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000538; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2700000554; University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc., 2700000555; Preusser Research Group, Inc., 2700000661.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

Multi, 2600000044; Pathways, Inc., 2600001883; Fletcher Group, Inc., 2600002352; Foundation for A Healthy Kentucky, 2600003260; Kentucky High School Athletic Association, 2600003605; Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts, 2600003608.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Commonwealth Center for Fathers and Families, Inc., 2600001308; Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts, 2600001312; Children and Family Futures, Inc., 2600001322; Kentucky Youth Advocates, Inc., 2600001417; Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government, 2600001928; Kentucky Community and Technical College System, 2600002093; Center for Human Entrepreneurship Solutions Group, 2600002216; Maryhurst, Inc., 2600002298; Council On Postsecondary Education, 2600002311; Home of the Innocents, 2600002596; Lexington Leadership Foundation, Inc., 2600002900; University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc., 2600003285.

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, 2300001860; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2500001290; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2500001954; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2500002270; Louisville & Jefferson MSD, 2600000475; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2600000605; Springfield Water & Sewer Commission, 2600000714; Russell: A Place of Promise, LLC, 2600000959; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2600001305.

DEPARTMENT FOR NATURAL RESOURCES

University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2400000911.

DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2600004247.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2600003196; Murray State University, 2600003199; Murray State University, 2600003203; Feeding Kentucky, Inc., 2600004027.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Knowledgeworks Foundation, 2500000405; The National Center for the Improvement of Education Assess, Inc., 2500000423; Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative, 2500000443; Barren County Board of Education, 2500002963; McCracken County Board of Education, 2500003291; Kentucky Educational Development Corporation, 2600000802; Green River Regional Educational, 2600004016; Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative, 2600004022; Knox County Board of Education, 2600004150.

JUSTICE - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court, 2600000576; City of Somerset, 2600000719; Fayette County Sheriff, 2600000736; Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government, 2600004202.

THE FOLLOWING KENTUCKY ENTERTAINMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:

ECON DEV - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Twelfth Kentucky Movie, LLC, 2700000223; Tenxten, LLC, 2700000625; Saving Snoopy, LLC, 2700000626; Gasoline Filmed Entertainment, LLC, 2700000641; Lacys Mom, LLC, 2700000645; Kertis Creative, LLC, 2700000646; Dominion Film, LLC, 2700000648; Appalachia Vision, 2700000673; T17 Aries, LLC, 2700000685; Alpha Uno, LLC, 2700000727.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Tryfacta, Inc., 2700000019. Brian Lock, Staff Attorney, JPSC; and Dena Burton, Executive Director, Office of Operations, DJJ, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Lock stated the contract provides 3 service providers to DJJ facilities, particularly in rural areas where the department previously struggled to find contractors. The positions are permanent inside the facility to provide ongoing services, and the contractor may change in the future.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Lock stated DJJ has worked with Tryfacta to fill these specialized mental health positions since FY 2026. The previous vendor was a medical staffing company that could not fulfill its contract. Any further questions about the previous contract could not be answered at this time.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Lock stated the contract provides licensed clinical social workers who primarily deliver mental health services in DJJ facilities, separate from the medical services provider that staffs nurses.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Lock stated he could not confirm when the previous vendor notified the Department it could no longer fulfill its contractual obligations and was unable to provide a cost comparison between the previous vendor and the current vendor for the same services.

In response to Representative Roarx, Mr. Lock stated the contract is being requested retroactively to prevent payment interruptions for treatment directors who continue providing services in the facilities. The contractor pays its staff and submits bills for reimbursement of services rendered.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to defer the contract. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Disabled American Vets, 2600003709; Marine Corps League Department of Kentucky, 2600003710; National Association for Black Veterans, Inc., 2600003959; Veterans of Foreign Wars, 2600003961; American Legion of Kentucky, Inc., 2700000030. Juan Renaud, Deputy Commissioner, KDVA, and Silas Sessions, Executive Director, KDVA, discussed the contracts with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Renaud stated the total expenditure is divided among 6 federally recognized voluntary organizations. Although some charitable organizations may provide better services, their funding is limited by the number of service officers they have and their ability to get them accredited.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contracts as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Bricker Graydon Wyatt, LLP, 1036. Todd Kilburn, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, KCTCS, Deck Decker, Associate Vice President, Business Services, KCTCS, Jessica Stigall, General Counsel, KCTCS, and Chris Crumine, Director of Government Affairs, KCTCS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Stigall stated an RFP for legal services was issued this spring, with hourly rates ranging from $125 to $900. Although 2 current contracted firms offered $125, one primarily handles real estate, and the other declined the more complex work. Therefore, an additional contract was needed to cover these specialized legal services.

A motion was made by Senator Richardson to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

E. Clark Toleman, 1042. Mr. Kilburn, Mr. Decker, Ms. Stigall, and Mr. Crumine, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Decker stated 3 training sessions on personal service contracts have been held in the past 2 months to explain the process and ensure approval is obtained before work begins. The contract was an oversight involving a company previously used. Work is also underway to establish mandatory training on personal service contracts, pending approval.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

3CRE Advisors, LLC, 2027-161. Grant Garber, General Counsel, NKU, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Representative Bauman, Mr. Garber stated the contract expires in February 2027, is a quick turnaround, and there is a Florence based location for this firm.

A motion was made by Senator Richardson to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Bauman seconded the motion, which passed.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Aon Consulting, Inc., K27-206. Naomi Emmons, Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, UK, Craig Collins, Chief Financial Officer, UK, and Michael Hatfield, Healthcare Government Relations Director, UK, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Collins stated following the merger with two health systems, the University is working with AON to align employee benefits across the organization. The project includes health insurance, retirement plans, voluntary benefits, and systems for benefit selection and open enrollment. AON will provide best practices from similar mergers to help create a consistent benefits program that meets employees′ needs.

A motion was made by Senator Thomas to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Roarx seconded the motion, which passed, with Senator Meredith and Representative Bauman voting no.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Learfield Communications, LLC, 00001247; Learfield Communications, LLC, 00001248.

A motion was made by Representative Roarx to defer the contract to the November, 2026 meeting of the committee. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed with Representative Bauman voting no.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Tunnel Management, Inc., 2400005448. David Gormley, Director of Division of Professional Services, KYTC, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Gormley stated this is a renewal to operate the Cumberland Gap Tunnel. The original 2 year contract was awarded for approximately $11 million and allows for 5 additional 2-year renewals through January 2036. This renewal covers the next two years, with an increase of less than 2%.

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed, with Representative Bauman voting no.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Aon Consulting, Inc., 1020. Mr. Kilburn, Mr. Decker, Ms. Stigall, and Mr. Crumine, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Mr. Kilburn stated the contract expands AON′s services to provide advice and guidance to KCTCS as it considers becoming self-insured for health insurance. The 2 year extension would allow KCTCS to receive support in managing a self-funded plan, an area in which it has limited experience, and help provide employees with the best insurance coverage possible.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Kilburn stated KCTCS is working with AON to evaluate whether becoming self-insured is in its best interest. The contract prepares KCTCS to make the change quickly and responsibly if approved. If KCTCS decides not to move forward, the contract cost would drop significantly because the additional services would not be needed. The added work is expected to be completed within 2 years.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR $10K AND UNDER WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AMVETS Department of Kentucky, 2600003708. Mr. Renaud and Mr. Sessions, discussed the contract with the committee.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Kendriana Price, 27-012. Eileen Butts, Interim Director of Purchasing and Auxiliary Services, KSU, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Ms. Butts stated she takes full responsibility for submitting the contract late, noting that staff followed the established process. Since the previous issue a year ago, the purchasing team has provided additional training and worked to ensure contracts are submitted on time. Although progress has been gradual, significant improvements have been made over the past 12 months.

A motion was made by Senator Thomas to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Richardson seconded the motion, which passed, with Senator Meredith and Representative Bauman voting no.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Community Action Lexington/Fayette County, 2700000612. Dr. Steven Stack, Secretary, CHFS, and Gena Boyle, Deputy Commissioner, DCBS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Chair Hart, Ms. Boyle stated the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has historically been administered through community action agencies, without an RFP. A change was made to the vendor for the fall subsidy program, but the existing contract remains in place for the Community Services Block Grant and to complete outstanding work from the summer subsidy program. The agency had issued corrective action plans to address delays and discrepancies in state and federal data reporting, but timing issues affected the transition. The change does not require approval from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Boyle stated follow-up has been ongoing, but delays and data accuracy issues have continued across multiple LIHEAP program components over the past year. Corrective action plans were implemented, with further reviews of data and financial records after each component was completed.

In response to Chair Hart, Ms. Boyle stated the new vendor's financial audits and system capabilities were evaluated before selecting them. The new vendor uses Salesforce and is assessing how to adapt the system to administer and deliver benefits.

A motion was made by Senator Thomas to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Richardson seconded the motion, which passed, with Chair Hart voting no.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Youth Villages, Inc., 2700000613. Dr. Stack, Paula Saenz, Transitional Services Branch Manager, Department of Protection and Permanency, CHFS, and Melanie Taylor, Director, Department of Protection and Permanency, DCBS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Taylor stated the LifeSet program serves youth ages 17 to 23, helping them achieve goals related to education, employment,

housing, health, and healthy relationships. Participants typically receive intensive, weekly support for 6 to 9 months, with an average of 8 months, and have access to on-call assistance for emergencies. The contract covers operating the program, not just establishing a referral process.

A motion was made by Representative Roarx to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Richardson seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

Department of Education, 2600002349. Lisa Lee, Commissioner, DMS, Dr. Tama The, Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician, UK, and Dr. Judy Theriot, Medical Director, DMS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Lee stated the contract reimburses schools for administrative costs related to helping Medicaid-enrolled children access medical services. Activities include outreach, enrollment assistance, connecting children with providers, and arranging specialized transportation. Costs are calculated using a random moment time study. The Department for Community Based Services determines Medicaid eligibility, while the Department of Education pays the state match so schools can receive federal reimbursement.

In response to Representative McCool, Ms. Lee stated annual costs vary based on the random moment time study. In 2025, costs were approximately $15 million. The $70 million contract covers about $35 million per year, and any unspent funds return to the General Fund.

In response to Representative Petrie, Ms. Lee stated the random moment time study is part of the state plan amendment approved by CMS, rather than the contract itself. It calculates costs based on each employee's salary and the percentage of time spent on Medicaid-related activities, with measurements taken periodically throughout the school year.

A motion was made by Representative Roarx to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2600004503. Ms. Lee, Dr. The, and Dr. Theriot, discussed the contracts with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Ms. Lee stated the contract will use Medicaid claims data to identify individuals overdue for health screenings and have the University of Kentucky remind them to get screened, improving preventive care and health outcomes for Medicaid members.

In response to Senator Meredith, Dr. The stated the study will identify Medicaid patients due for screenings and share the information with healthcare providers. The University of Kentucky plans to separately develop an AI system to notify patients and help schedule appointments, making preventive care easier to access.

In response to Senator Meredith, Ms. Lee stated based on the available information, the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) appear to meet network adequacy requirements.

In response to Senator Meredith, Dr. Theriot stated the program will help primary care doctors by contacting patients who need screenings, reducing the workload on medical offices and helping patients get preventive care.

In response to Senator Meredith, Dr. The stated the project will give primary care providers, MCOs, and ACOs access to lists of Medicaid patients due for screenings. This information is not currently easy to access and would otherwise require extensive manual review of medical records.

In response to Representative Roarx, Ms. Lee stated the contract is funded equally by the University of Kentucky and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Because the work is administrative rather than medical, federal funding covers 50% of the cost and is allocated specifically to the Medicaid program.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to disapprove the contract. Representative Bauman seconded the motion, which passed, with Senator Thomas and Representative Roarx voting no.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

Reading & Math, Inc., 2600001068. Patti Clark, Director, Division of Mental Health, DBHDID, and Rachael Ratliff, Program Administrator, DBHDID, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Representative Bauman, Ms. Ratliff stated the Recovery Corps program received a $250,000 grant from Serve Kentucky last year and was awarded a $1 million AmeriCorps grant to continue the program. Reading and Math, the company that developed the model, provides the expertise and infrastructure needed to meet AmeriCorps training, supervision, and reporting requirements.

In response to Representative Bauman, Ms. Clark stated they manage AmeriCorps members' benefits, including tuition reimbursement, child care, payroll, and health services. No General Fund dollars are used; agency funds from the Problem Gambling Assistance Account provide the required match, linking efforts to address problem gambling and substance use addiction.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Ratliff stated the $1 million grant was to expand AmeriCorps members from 11 to 40 across up to 20 sites. Members must meet eligibility requirements, including 1 year of continuous recovery, and complete interviews. The program tracks client progress, with 65% of participants last year showing improved recovery scores.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Roarx seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

U of L Health - Louisville, Inc., 2600002694. Dr. Stack, Ms. Saenz, and Julie Ferrell, Assistant Director, Department of Protection and Permanency, DCBS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Representative Roarx, Ms. Ferrell stated this covers psychiatric hospitalization costs for children in the Cabinet's custody who no longer meet hospital admission criteria but do not have a safe discharge placement. Funding allows them to remain in a safe environment while an appropriate placement is located.

In response to Senator Thomas, Ms. Ferrell stated although these children no longer meet criteria for hospitalization because they are not suicidal or homicidal, they still have significant mental and behavioral health needs. They need a safe environment with trained staff to protect both the children and caregivers until an appropriate placement is found.

In response to Senator Thomas, Dr. Stack stated the contract is essential for children who have reached the maximum benefit from hospital treatment but still need a safe place to stay while a suitable placement is found. Although funding was reduced to align expenses with available resources, the need for these services remains. The agency must continue providing necessary care while staying within its approved budget.

In response to Representative McCool, Dr. Stack stated the agency will continue using available resources to provide treatment and care for children and adults with mental health needs. Rising costs and limited capacity make it difficult to meet demand, and balancing service needs with available funding remains an ongoing challenge. The agency will continue working with providers, including the University of Louisville, to provide the care needed.

In response to Representative Petrie, Dr. Stack stated limited mental health services and safe placements cause some patients to remain hospitalized for months or require out-of-state care. The goal is to expand appropriate in-state options and provide effective, cost-efficient care.

In response to Representative Petrie, Ms. Ferrell stated after Aetna resumed denying children hospital coverage in 2025, the agency has used a contract to keep children safe while finding placements. Stays are approved in 5-day increments, with staff required to document placement efforts each time. Out-of-state placements are considered only after in-state options are exhausted. Weekly reports track children's status, and the number waiting for placement has ranged from about 5 to more than 30.

A motion was made by Representative McCool to disapprove the contract. Representative Bauman seconded the motion, with Senator Richardson, Senator Thomas, Representative Roarx, and Co-Chair Douglas voting no. Motion fails. A motion was

made by Co-Chair Douglas to consider the contracts as reviewed. No second was made. Contract moves forward.

EXEMPTION REQUESTS:

THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET

The Division of Waste Management requests an exemption from the current two-year biennial budget contracting restrictions for the Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIR) Grant Program for States and Territories, funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under Cooperative Agreement Grant Number 02D590223. A motion was made by Senator Meredith to extend the request to September 30, 2029. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Kentucky Department of Agriculture requests an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4, which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium for agreements with 8 grant recipients for the purpose of training and promoting specialty crop farming techniques in Kentucky. A motion was made by Senator Meredith to extend the request to September 29, 2029. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM ET/10:00 AM CT.