

A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Office of the Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services is directed to conduct a study of e-cigarette usage and effects in the Commonwealth.

WHEREAS, since being introduced in 2007 the availability and usage of e-cigarettes has greatly increased; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth has not taken an in-depth look at the health effects of e-cigarettes and the citizens of this state;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Office of the Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services is directed to conduct a study of e-cigarette usage and effects in the Commonwealth.

➔Section 2. The study shall include the following tasks:

(1) Analysis of the current usage of e-cigarettes in the Commonwealth by gender, age, and by county;

(2) Analysis of current information related to the health effects of e-cigarettes on the user and secondhand emissions;

(3) Analysis of e-cigarette materials as a safety concern for children;

(4) Identification and analysis of scientific claims that e-cigarettes help to quit traditional cigarettes; and

(5) Analysis of advertising and marketing related to e-cigarettes.

➔Section 3. The Office of the Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall submit a report of its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2015.