

AN ACT relating to school funding.

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

➔Section 1. KRS 157.310 is amended to read as follows:

(1) It is the intention of the General Assembly to assure substantially equal public school educational opportunities for those in attendance in the public schools of the Commonwealth, but not to limit nor to prevent any school district from providing educational services and facilities beyond those assured by the state supported program. The program shall provide for an efficient system of public schools throughout the Commonwealth, as prescribed by Section 183 of the Constitution of Kentucky, and for the manner of distribution of the public school fund among the districts and its use for public school purposes, as prescribed by Section 186 of the Constitution.

(2) *It is the intention of the General Assembly that no mandate be placed on the public schools of the Commonwealth without provision by the General Assembly for funding ensured by the state-supported program that is adequate to carry out that mandate. Any legislation relating to the operation of the public schools of the Commonwealth that includes a fiscal note pursuant to KRS 6.955 or a state mandate pursuant to KRS 6.965 shall include provisions for funding that is adequate for compliance with the mandate. No school district shall be compelled to comply with any enactment of the General Assembly that does not provide adequate funding as described in this section.*