

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT  
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION  
2016 REGULAR SESSION**

**MEASURE**

2016 BR NUMBER **1324**

**HOUSE** BILL NUMBER **290**

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT/TITLE** **AN ACT relating to in-person absentee voting.**

**SPONSOR** **Representative Meeks**

**NOTE SUMMARY**

FISCAL ANALYSIS:  IMPACT     NO IMPACT     INDETERMINABLE IMPACT

LEVEL(S) OF IMPACT:  STATE     LOCAL     FEDERAL

BUDGET UNIT(S) IMPACT: **Secretary of State/Board of Elections**

FUND(S) IMPACT:  GENERAL     ROAD     FEDERAL     RESTRICTED AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_     OTHER

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>FISCAL ESTIMATES</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>	<b>2016-2017</b>	<b>2017-2018</b>	<b>ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		Indeterminable Minimal	Indeterminable Minimal	Indeterminable Minimal
<b>NET EFFECT</b>		(Indeterminable Minimal)	(Indeterminable Minimal)	(Indeterminable Minimal)

( ) indicates a decrease/negative

**MEASURE'S PURPOSE:** The purpose of the measure is to allow in-person voting for any reason, in the clerk's office or other approved location, at least 12 days before an election.

**PROVISIONS/MECHANICS:** Section 1 creates a new section of KRS Chapter 117 to require in-person absentee voting to be conducted in the county clerk's office, or other place designated by the county board of elections and approved by the State Board of Elections, for at least 12 working days, including two Saturdays, before the Sunday prior to election day.

This section gives challengers observing in-person absentee voting the same privileges as the challengers observing voting on the day of the election.

Additionally, members of the county board of elections or their designees may serve as precinct election officers without compensation. They will have the same duties and authority as those precinct officers who serve on election day. The county clerk or deputy county clerks shall supervise the in-person absentee voting, if there are no precinct officers for the in-person

absentee voting.

Sections 2 through 10 amend KRS 117.085, 117.0851, 117.086, 117.087, 117.145, 117.165, 117.235, 118.035, and 118.405 to conform to the in-person absentee voting provisions.

**FISCAL EXPLANATION:** The Secretary of State's office projects a minimal impact to the General Fund. A local mandate has been prepared that addresses the fiscal impact on county clerks.

**DATA SOURCE(S):** Secretary of State

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