

AN ACT relating to oaths.

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

➔ Section 1. KRS 6.072 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Witnesses ***testifying before***~~attending~~ the General Assembly,~~either house~~ or a ~~legislative~~ committee, ***subcommittee, or task force thereof*** are entitled to the same privileges and immunities, and the same compensation, as witnesses in other ***civil and criminal proceedings***~~cases~~. When summoned by the Commonwealth, they shall be paid out of the State Treasury.
- (2) ***Any member acting as chair***~~Chairmen~~ of a ~~the~~ ***committee,***~~committees~~ ***subcommittee, or task force*** of the ***General Assembly***~~Senate and House of Representatives~~ ***shall***~~may~~ administer ***an*** ~~all necessary oaths~~ ***oath*** to any person who appears or is called to testify before ***that***~~a~~ committee, ***subcommittee, or task force.*** ~~[of either house.]~~
- (3) ***The oath administered to each witness who testifies before a committee, subcommittee, or task force of the General Assembly shall follow the oath administered to a witness in a court of law and read as follows: "Do you swear or affirm that you will tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?"***
- (4) ***An oath sworn during a previous committee, subcommittee, or task force meeting is not applicable to any future committee meeting.***
- (5) ***Testimony given under oath is subject to the penalties as prescribed in KRS Chapter 523.***
- (6) ***All meetings of a committee, subcommittee, or task force of the General Assembly shall be recorded and transcribed.***