

1 AN ACT relating to the Joint Funding Administration Program.

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

3 ➔Section 1. As provided in 2016 Ky. Acts ch. 149, Part I, A., 11., (1), the  
4 \$2,116,300 provided for the Joint Funding Administration Program for fiscal year 2017-  
5 2018 shall be allocated and disbursed among the Area Development Districts in the same  
6 manner and in the same amounts as the allocation and disbursement for the fiscal year  
7 2015-2016, except that the amounts shall be reduced by the nine percent (9%) budget  
8 reduction for the fiscal year 2017-2018. The Department for Local Government may use  
9 the following formula as a guide:

10 (1) Seventy percent (70%) of the total amount shall be allocated equally among  
11 the districts;

12 (2) Twenty percent (20%) of the total amount shall be allocated based on each  
13 districts' pro rata share of population among the districts; and

14 (3) Ten percent (10%) of the total amount shall be allocated to the districts  
15 demonstrating the most need, based on a consensus agreement among all districts.

16 ➔Section 2. The Legislative Research Commission is hereby directed to create the  
17 Joint Funding Administration Task Force that shall study and develop consensus  
18 recommendations concerning:

19 (1) The funding allocation and revenue sources of the Area Development  
20 Districts;

21 (2) The purpose and scope of the Area Development Districts;

22 (3) Any realignment and cost savings to be implemented by the Area  
23 Development Districts or the Department for Local Government related to the Area  
24 Development Districts; and

25 (4) Any current staffing needs of the Area Development Districts or the  
26 Department for Local Government related to the Area Development Districts.

27 ➔Section 3. The task force shall be composed of the following members, with

1 final membership of the task force being subject to the consideration and approval of the  
2 Legislative Research Commission:

3 (1) Three (3) members of the Senate, geographically located across the  
4 Commonwealth, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, with two members being  
5 of the majority party in the Senate, one of whom will serve as co-chair, and one member  
6 being of the minority party in the Senate;

7 (2) Three (3) members of the House of Representatives, geographically located  
8 across the Commonwealth, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, with two  
9 members being of the majority party in the House, one of whom will serve as co-chair,  
10 and one member being of the minority party in the House;

11 (3) The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet; and

12 (4) Four (4) representatives of the Area Development Districts, geographically  
13 located across the Commonwealth, to be recommended by the Governor;

14 ➔Section 4. The task force shall meet monthly during the 2017 Interim of the  
15 General Assembly and shall submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission for  
16 referral to the appropriate committee or committees by December 1, 2017. The report  
17 shall include a detailed analysis of the topics outlined in Section 2 of this Act and any  
18 recommendations for legislation to be introduced during the 2018 Regular Session of the  
19 General Assembly.

20 ➔Section 5. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Act to the contrary, the  
21 Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the  
22 issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof and to  
23 designate a study completion date.

24 ➔Section 6. Sections 2 to 5 of this Act shall have the same legal status as a Senate  
25 Concurrent Resolution.