

1 AN ACT relating to health and welfare.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 199.900 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) The secretary for health and family services in coordination with the Personnel
5 Cabinet is authorized to establish formal training programs within the Cabinet for
6 Health and Family Services or within any of the divisions or sections of the cabinet
7 for the training of necessary personnel for the administration of the programs of the
8 cabinet. When courses of study, applicable to the program processes of the cabinet,
9 are not available through cabinet instruction, arrangements may be made for the
10 training of employees in any public or private school or institution having available
11 facilities for that purpose, and such training shall be deemed to be a part of the
12 cabinet training program. Training of employees in public or private schools or
13 institutions for this purpose shall be deemed a part of research assignments to be
14 completed during the period of study, and these assignments are to relate directly to
15 the work assignment of the employee. After consulting with the Personnel Cabinet,
16 position classifications in the research series shall be established for employees on
17 such work study assignments, and funds of the cabinet may be used to pay salaries
18 commensurate with the appropriate classification while the employee is receiving
19 training.

20 (2) Any employee who is paid a salary while receiving such training shall be required to
21 enter into a contract, prior to receiving the training, that he or she will complete a
22 specified work assignment, and that unless he or she continues in the employ of the
23 cabinet for at least a period equivalent to the training period, immediately following
24 the completion of training, the state will hold a claim against him or her for the
25 amount of salary paid during the training period, and he or she will repay to the
26 cabinet the sum paid to him or her by the cabinet during the period of his training.