

1 A RESOLUTION urging the Public Service Commission to consider all costs
2 related to the importation of coal for electricity generation.

3 WHEREAS, the amount of coal produced in Kentucky has decreased from
4 109,018,240 tons in 2011 to 39,587,320 tons in 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, revenue from the sale of Kentucky coal is reinvested by the Kentucky
6 coal industry in local economies creating multiplier effects of other direct and indirect
7 benefits; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2017, the largest contributor to real gross domestic product growth
9 in Kentucky was mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction, which accounted for 0.65
10 percent of the total growth in real gross domestic product; and

11 WHEREAS, in 2018, annual coal employment declined to 6,409; and

12 WHEREAS, differences in severance tax policies of other states have impacted the
13 competitiveness of Kentucky coal; and

14 WHEREAS, approximately 54 percent of coal consumed in Kentucky by electric-
15 generating units was imported from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia,
16 and Wyoming;

17 NOW, THEREFORE,

18 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
19 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

20 ➔Section 1. The Kentucky House of Representatives urges the Public Service
21 Commission to amend its administrative regulations to consider all costs, including fossil
22 fuel-related economic impacts within Kentucky, when analyzing coal purchases under the
23 fuel adjustment clause.

24 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall send a copy of this
25 Resolution and notification of its adoption to Public Service Commission Chairman
26 Michael Schmitt, Vice Chairman Robert Cicero, and Commissioner Talina Mathews.