

1 AN ACT making appropriations for the operations, maintenance, and support of the
2 Legislative Branch of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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

4 ➔Section 1. The Legislative Branch Budget is as follows:

5 **PART I**

6 **OPERATING BUDGET**

7 **Funds Appropriations:** Funds are appropriated to the Legislative Research
8 Commission for the Legislative Branch of government out of the General Fund and
9 Restricted Funds accounts for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30,
10 2021, and for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in the
11 following discrete sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary. Each appropriation is
12 made by the source of respective fund or funds accounts to be used for the purposes of the
13 Legislative Branch of government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

| | 2020-21 | 2021-22 |
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| 15 1. General Assembly | | |
| 16 General Fund | 20,439,400 | 21,270,500 |
| 17 Restricted Funds | 75,000 | 175,000 |
| 18 TOTAL | 20,514,400 | 21,445,500 |

19 **(1) Legislators Compensation:** Notwithstanding KRS 6.190 and 6.213, the daily
20 compensation provided by KRS 6.190 and the interim expense allowance provided by
21 KRS 6.213 for members of the General Assembly shall remain at the January 1, 2020,
22 level.

23 **(2) Kentucky Legislative Ethics Commission:** Included in the above General
24 Fund appropriation is \$567,700 in fiscal year 2020-2021 and \$569,800 in fiscal year
25 2021-2022 for the Kentucky Legislative Ethics Commission. Included in the above
26 Restricted Funds appropriation is \$75,000 in fiscal year 2020-2021 and \$175,000 in fiscal
27 year 2021-2022 for the Kentucky Legislative Ethics Commission.

1 **(3) Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center:** Notwithstanding KRS
 2 7B.010 to 7B.090, operation of the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center and its
 3 governing board shall continue to be suspended effective July 1, 2020, and shall remain
 4 suspended for the 2020-2022 fiscal biennium or until funding is restored. No funds are
 5 appropriated for the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center for fiscal year 2020-
 6 2021 and fiscal year 2021-2022.

7 **(4) Pension Benefit Increase:** Notwithstanding KRS 6.521(3), no pension
 8 benefit increase shall be granted to recipients of a retirement allowance under KRS 6.500
 9 to 6.577 on July 1, 2020, or July 1, 2021.

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| 10 | | 2020-21 | 2021-22 |
| 11 | 2. Legislative Research Commission | | |
| 12 | General Fund | 56,156,500 | 57,672,100 |

13 **(1) Permanent Full-time Employees:** The total number of permanent full-time
 14 employees hired by the Legislative Research Commission with the above appropriation,
 15 and not assigned specifically to the House and Senate members of the Legislative
 16 Research Commission, shall not exceed 232 in fiscal year 2020-2021 and 232 in fiscal
 17 year 2021-2022. In addition to this number, the total number of permanent full-time
 18 employees assigned specifically to the House members of the Legislative Research
 19 Commission shall not exceed 19 and the permanent full-time employees assigned
 20 specifically to the Senate members of the Legislative Research Commission shall not
 21 exceed 10.

22 **(2) Legislative Record:** Notwithstanding KRS 7.105, distribution of the final
 23 issue of the Legislative Record and the interim Legislative Record shall be suspended
 24 effective July 1, 2020.

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| 25 | TOTAL - OPERATING BUDGET | | |
| 26 | | 2020-21 | 2021-22 |
| 27 | General Fund | 76,595,900 | 78,942,600 |

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| 1 | Restricted Funds | 75,000 | 175,000 |
| 2 | TOTAL | 76,670,900 | 79,117,600 |

3 **Unexpended Balance:** Notwithstanding KRS 45.229, any unexpended balance
4 remaining at the close of fiscal year 2019-2020 shall not lapse but shall continue into
5 fiscal year 2020-2021, and any unexpended balance in any succeeding fiscal year shall
6 not lapse but shall continue into the following fiscal year.

7 **TOTAL - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH BUDGET**

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| 8 | | 2020-21 | 2021-22 |
| 9 | General Fund | 76,595,900 | 78,942,600 |
| 10 | Restricted Funds | 75,000 | 175,000 |
| 11 | TOTAL | 76,670,900 | 79,117,600 |

12 **PART II**

13 **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

14 **1. Expenditure Authority:** The Director of the Legislative Research
15 Commission, under the supervision of the Legislative Research Commission, may expend
16 any of the funds appropriated for legislative operation and administration in any lawful
17 manner and for any legal purpose consistent with the policies and practices of the
18 Commission. No executive agency or statute governing the executive agencies of state
19 government shall have the power to restrict or limit the actions of, or the expenditure of
20 funds appropriated to, the Legislative Research Commission for the Legislative Branch of
21 government.

22 **2. Capitol and Capitol Annex Capital Construction Expenditures:** Any
23 expenditure authorized by the Director of the Legislative Research Commission, under
24 the supervision of the Legislative Research Commission, relating to implementation of
25 KRS 56.463(4)(b), or relating to the Capitol Building, and funded by previous or current
26 appropriations to the Legislative Research Commission for the Legislative Branch of
27 government shall not be governed by KRS 7A.010, 7A.120, 45.750 to 45.810,

1 48.010(16), 48.020, and 48.110.

2 **3. Severability of Budget Provisions:** Appropriation items and sums in this Act
3 conform to KRS 48.311. If any section, any subsection, or any provision thereof shall be
4 invalid or unconstitutional, the decision of the courts shall not affect or impair any of the
5 remaining sections, subsections, or provisions.

6 **4. Duplicate Appropriation:** Any appropriation item and sum in this Act and in
7 an appropriation provision in another Act of the 2020 Regular Session of the General
8 Assembly which constitutes a duplicate appropriation shall be governed by KRS 48.312.

9 **5. Priority of Individual Appropriations:** KRS 48.313 shall control when a
10 total or subtotal figure in this Act conflicts with the sum of the appropriations of which it
11 consists.

12 **6. Appropriations Revisions:** Notwithstanding KRS 48.630(10), no revisions
13 for unbudgeted Restricted Funds appropriations for expenditure shall be allotted or
14 expended that have not been appropriated in any enacted branch budget bill or without
15 the express authority of the General Assembly.

16 **7. Allowance in Lieu of Stationery:** Notwithstanding KRS 6.220, in lieu of
17 stationery, there shall be allowed to each member of the House of Representatives the
18 sum of \$250 and to each member of the Senate the sum of \$500. This allowance shall be
19 paid out of the State Treasury at the beginning of each legislative session.

20 **8. Issuance of Employee Paychecks:** Notwithstanding 101 KAR 2:095, Section
21 10, the state payroll that would normally be scheduled to be paid on June 30, 2020, June
22 30, 2021, and June 30, 2022, shall not be issued prior to July 1, 2020, July 1, 2021, and
23 July 1, 2022, respectively.

24 **9. Salary Adjustments:** In each fiscal year, employees of the Legislative
25 Research Commission shall receive a salary adjustment in accordance with the salary
26 adjustment provided to state employees in the state/executive branch budget.

27 **10. Administrative Expenses:** Pursuant to KRS 21.540, administrative expenses

1 shall be paid out of an administrative account which shall be funded by transfers of the
2 necessary moneys, in appropriate ratio, from the funds provided for in KRS 21.550 and
3 21.560.

4 **11. Kentucky State Capitol Campus Restoration and Security Working Group:**

5 Having determined that there is a need to create a two-phase master plan for the restoration
6 and renovation of the New State Capitol Building, Annex, and Campus, the Secretary of the
7 Finance and Administration Cabinet is hereby directed to establish a working group
8 composed of the following:

- 9 (a) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or his representative;
- 10 (b) The Secretary of State or his representative;
- 11 (c) The Attorney General or his representative;
- 12 (d) The Director of the Legislative Research Commission or his representative;
- 13 (e) The Director of the Division of Historic Properties or her representative;
- 14 (f) The Commissioner of the Kentucky State Police or his representative; and
- 15 (g) The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or her representative.

16 The working group shall assess current safety and security risks on the Capitol Campus
17 and address developments that might affect those risks in the future. The working group shall
18 provide advice and recommendations to the Governor and Legislature regarding security
19 priorities and strategies for addressing those priorities.

20 Phase I of the master plan shall be funded from the Capitol Campus Upgrade capital
21 project authorized in Part II, Capital Projects Budget, of this Act. Phase II of the master plan
22 shall be included in the 2022-2028 Statewide Capital Improvement Plan by the Secretary of
23 the Finance and Administration Cabinet.

24 The working group shall be attached to the Finance and Administration Cabinet for
25 administrative support. The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet may
26 authorize projects consistent with Phase I of the master plan for the Capitol Campus Upgrade
27 capital project.

12. Kentucky Employees Retirement Systems Employer Contributions:

(1) Pursuant to KRS 61.565 and 61.702, from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2022, the Legislative Branch shall contribute to the Kentucky Employees Retirement Systems a sufficient sum to satisfy its total share of the actuarially accrued liability contributions and normal cost contributions for nonhazardous duty employees as determined by the Kentucky Retirement Systems' actuary.

(2) Pursuant to KRS 61.565 and 61.702, beginning with the payroll scheduled to be issued on July 1, 2020, and each pay period thereafter, the Legislative Branch shall contribute normal cost contributions in subsection (1) of this section to the Kentucky Employees Retirement Systems nonhazardous duty plan on the last business day of each month in fiscal year 2020-2021 and fiscal year 2021-2022.

(3) Notwithstanding KRS 61.565 and 61.702, the actuarially accrued liability contributions in subsection (1) of this section shall be transferred in twelve monthly installments to the Kentucky Employees Retirement Systems nonhazardous duty plan on the last business day of each month in fiscal year 2020-2021 and fiscal year 2021-2022.

(4) Pursuant to KRS 61.565 and 61.702, when the Director of the Legislative Research Commission has been notified that the actuarially accrued liability contribution has been met for the Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous duty plan each fiscal year, only the normal cost employer contributions shall continue to be transferred to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous duty plan, and the Legislative Branch shall cease to make actuarially accrued liability contributions for the remainder of the fiscal year.

PART III**BUDGET REDUCTION OR SURPLUS EXPENDITURE PLAN**

The Legislative Branch shall participate in any Budget Reduction Plan or Surplus Expenditure Plan in accordance with KRS Chapter 48, except that obligations essential to the constitutional duties of the Legislative Branch shall be exempt from any Budget

- 1 Reduction Plan. The level of participation in a Budget Reduction Plan shall be at the
- 2 discretion of the Director and shall not exceed the actual percentage of revenue shortfall.