

1 AN ACT relating to public health, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring  
2 an emergency.

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

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO  
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *As used in Sections 1 to 3 of this Act:*

7 *(1) "Agency" means a local health department established in any county in the*  
8 *Commonwealth pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 212, including a*  
9 *health department in a county containing a city of the first class, a health*  
10 *department in a county with a consolidated local government, an urban-county*  
11 *health department, an independent district health department, or a district health*  
12 *department;*

13 *(2) "Cabinet" means the Cabinet for Health and Family Services;*

14 *(3) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Department for Public Health*  
15 *within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services;*

16 *(4) "Core public health programs" means all foundational public health programs*  
17 *as defined in this section and services that may include but are not limited to the*  
18 *Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children*  
19 *(WIC) provided by the federal Food and Nutrition Service, the Health Access*  
20 *Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) program established in KRS 211.690,*  
21 *and substance use disorder harm reduction services;*

22 *(5) "Department" means the Department for Public Health within the Cabinet for*  
23 *Health and Family Services;*

24 *(6) "Foundational public health programs" means those services required by the*  
25 *Kentucky Revised Statutes, including but not limited to activities and service*  
26 *programs that prevent and mitigate disease, protect people from injury, promote*  
27 *healthy lifestyles across all environments, promote population health services,*

1 enforce Kentucky administrative regulations, ensure emergency preparedness  
2 and response, monitor and mitigate communicable disease, and provide the  
3 administrative and organizational infrastructure to deliver services;

4 (7) "Foundational public health service provider" means an individual who is  
5 employed by an agency that provides a foundational public health program  
6 service;

7 (8) "Harm reduction services" means a comprehensive set of public health strategies  
8 intended to reduce the negative impact of substance use disorders;

9 (9) "Local public health priorities" means services not included in core public health  
10 programs as defined in this section that are identified through a needs  
11 assessment as priorities of an agency through a process established in  
12 administrative regulations; and

13 (10) "Population health services" means the development and support of policies and  
14 practices to address, change, and improve health outcomes through community  
15 education and partnership development.

16 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO  
17 READ AS FOLLOWS:

18 (1) In determining the total amount of funds to be allocated for the delivery of  
19 foundational public health programs, the statewide base funding level shall be  
20 calculated to ensure that:

21 (a) Each county in the Commonwealth that has fifteen thousand (15,000) or  
22 fewer residents shall have a minimum of three (3) full-time equivalent  
23 foundational public health service providers for foundational public health  
24 programs; and

25 (b) Each agency has sufficient funds to employ one (1) additional full-time  
26 equivalent foundational public health service provider for each time that  
27 one (1) additional person, in ranges of five thousand (5,000) persons, is

1 residing in the county beyond the first fifteen thousand (15,000) persons  
2 residing in the county that the agency serves.

3 (2) The funding level for each full-time equivalent foundational public health service  
4 provider shall be computed by dividing the total amount appropriated for this  
5 purpose by the number of full-time equivalent foundational public health service  
6 providers mandated by this section.

7 (3) Each agency shall be eligible to share in the distribution of funds appropriated  
8 for foundational public health programs that meet the following requirements:

9 (a) Employs, or pledges to employ on receipt of funds, a minimum of one (1)  
10 full-time equivalent foundational public health service provider pursuant to  
11 the requirements of subsection (1) of this section;

12 (b) Provides or ensures the delivery of foundational public health programs  
13 within the agency's jurisdiction; and

14 (c) Dedicates funding for full-time equivalent foundational public health  
15 service providers in one (1) of the following ways:

16 1. By the implementation of the ad valorem public health tax authorized  
17 by Sections 10 and 11 of this Act at a rate of at least one and eight-  
18 tenths cents (\$0.018), per one hundred dollars (\$100) of full value  
19 assessed valuation; or

20 2. By the receiving direct funding from the county or counties in which  
21 the agency operates in amount that equals what the agency would  
22 receive if the ad valorem public health tax had been levied in the  
23 county or counties the agency serves at a rate of at least one and eight-  
24 tenths cents (\$0.018), or any higher rate established by the  
25 commissioner, per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed property  
26 valuation.

27 (4) An agency that meets the requirements established in subsection (3) of this

1 section shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the base funding level for  
2 each full-time equivalent foundational public health service provider, as  
3 evaluated by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The base funding level  
4 shall be evaluated using the following minimum factors:

5 (a) The amount of funds received by the agency under subsection (3)(c) of this  
6 section;

7 (b) The statewide average costs of salary for each full-time equivalent  
8 foundational public health service provider in the agency;

9 (c) The statewide average costs of benefits for each full-time equivalent  
10 foundational public health service provider in each agency;

11 (d) The actual costs of the retirement liability contributions for each full-time  
12 equivalent foundational public health service provider in each agency as  
13 compared to other agencies throughout the state and whether the agency's  
14 equivalents participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or  
15 County Employees Retirement System; and

16 (e) The statewide average costs of operating expenses to the agency associated  
17 with each full-time equivalent foundational public health service provider.

18 (5) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall determine, on or before May 1  
19 of each year preceding a biennial budget session of the General Assembly, the  
20 estimated amount necessary to fund the salary, benefits, unfunded retirement  
21 liability contribution, and operating expenses to the agency associated with each  
22 full-time equivalent foundational public health service provider for all agencies  
23 as calculated from the previous nine (9) month period.

24 (6) The department shall establish procedures to ensure that core public health  
25 programs will be provided or ensured by one (1) or more agencies. The core  
26 public health programs, excluding all foundational public health programs, may  
27 be provided by another entity; however, the agency shall agree, as funding is

1 available, that it will remain responsible for ensuring that these programs are  
2 provided in the event the other entity no longer provides the service.

3 (7) The department shall, within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Act,  
4 promulgate administrative regulations to establish the process and procedures to  
5 ensure that core public health programs, foundational public health programs,  
6 and local public health priorities are identified and facilitated by one (1) or more  
7 agencies in the Commonwealth.

8 (8) The department shall not require agencies to enter additional agreements beyond  
9 the provisions of core public health programs. Agencies may enter into  
10 contractual agreements with the department outside of programs and services  
11 defined in Section 1 of this Act.

12 (9) An agency shall maintain records and submit information as required by the  
13 department to administer this section.

14 (10) Notwithstanding KRS 211.170 and 212.120, any moneys allocated pursuant to  
15 this section for foundational public health programs is allowable.

16 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO  
17 READ AS FOLLOWS:

18 (1) As long as core public health programs are funded and implemented, local public  
19 health priorities, as defined in Section 1 of this Act, may be provided by the  
20 agency and shall meet the following criteria:

21 (a) Demonstrate data-driven needs;

22 (b) Use evidence-based or promising practices;

23 (c) Identify adequate funding;

24 (d) Demonstrate performance and quality management plans; and

25 (e) Define a strategy to determine when the service or program is no longer  
26 needed.

27 (2) The department shall, within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Act,

1 *promulgate administrative regulations establishing the process to demonstrate*  
 2 *that the local health priorities meet the criteria established in this section.*

3 *(3) An agency shall maintain records and submit information as required by the*  
 4 *department to administer this section.*

5 ➔Section 4. KRS 194A.050 is amended to read as follows:

6 (1) The secretary shall formulate, promote, establish, and execute policies, plans, and  
 7 comprehensive programs and shall adopt, administer, and enforce throughout the  
 8 Commonwealth all applicable state laws and all administrative regulations  
 9 necessary under applicable state laws to protect, develop, and maintain the health,  
 10 personal dignity, integrity, and sufficiency of the individual citizens of the  
 11 Commonwealth and necessary to operate the programs and fulfill the  
 12 responsibilities vested in the cabinet. The secretary shall promulgate, administer,  
 13 and enforce those administrative regulations necessary to implement programs  
 14 mandated by federal law, or to qualify for the receipt of federal funds and necessary  
 15 to cooperate with other state and federal agencies for the proper administration of  
 16 the cabinet and its programs.

17 (2) The secretary may utilize the Public Health Services Advisory Council to review  
 18 and make recommendations on contemplated administrative regulations relating to  
 19 initiatives of the Department for Public Health. No administrative regulations issued  
 20 under the authority of the cabinet shall be filed with the Legislative Research  
 21 Commission unless they are issued under the authority of the secretary, and the  
 22 secretary shall not delegate that authority.

23 (3) *(a)* Except as otherwise provided by law, the secretary shall have authority to  
 24 establish by administrative regulation a schedule of reasonable fees, ~~but in~~  
 25 ~~no event shall~~ The total fees for permitting and inspection;

26 *1. Shall be the total of the operational and administrative costs of the*  
 27 *programs to the cabinet and to agencies as defined in Section 1 of this*

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27

Act;

2. Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020, shall not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee amount on the effective date of this Act; and
3. Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than five percent (5%) for each year thereafter.

(b) The fees shall~~increase more than five percent (5%) per year, to~~ cover the costs of annual inspections of efforts regarding compliance with program standards administered by the cabinet.

(c) All fees collected for inspections shall be deposited in the State Treasury and credited to a revolving fund account to be used for administration of those programs of the cabinet. The balance of the account shall lapse to the general fund at the end of each biennium. Fees shall not be charged for investigation of complaints.

➔Section 5. KRS 211.180 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The cabinet shall enforce the administrative regulations promulgated by the secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services for the regulation and control of the matters set out below and shall formulate, promote, establish, and execute policies, plans, and comprehensive programs relating to all matters of public health, including but not limited to the following matters:
- (a) Detection, prevention, and control of communicable diseases, chronic and degenerative diseases, dental diseases and abnormalities, occupational diseases and health hazards peculiar to industry, home accidents and health hazards, animal diseases which are transmissible to man, and other diseases and health hazards that may be controlled;
- (b) The adoption of regulations specifying the information required in and a minimum time period for reporting a sexually transmitted disease. In adopting

1 the regulations the cabinet shall consider the need for information, protection  
2 for the privacy and confidentiality of the patient, and the practical ability of  
3 persons and laboratories to report in a reasonable fashion. The cabinet shall  
4 require reporting of physician-diagnosed cases of acquired immunodeficiency  
5 syndrome based upon diagnostic criteria from the Centers for Disease Control  
6 and Prevention of the United States Public Health Service. No later than  
7 October 1, 2004, the cabinet shall require reporting of cases of human  
8 immunodeficiency virus infection by reporting of the name and other relevant  
9 data as requested by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and as  
10 further specified in KRS 214.645. Nothing in this section shall be construed to  
11 prohibit the cabinet from identifying infected patients when and if an effective  
12 cure for human immunodeficiency virus infection or any immunosuppression  
13 caused by human immunodeficiency virus is found or a treatment which  
14 would render a person noninfectious is found, for the purposes of offering or  
15 making the cure or treatment known to the patient;

16 (c) The control of insects, rodents, and other vectors of disease; the safe handling  
17 of food and food products; the safety of cosmetics; the control of narcotics,  
18 barbiturates, and other drugs as provided by law; the sanitation of schools,  
19 industrial establishments, and other public and semipublic buildings; the  
20 sanitation of state and county fairs and other similar public gatherings; the  
21 sanitation of public and semipublic recreational areas; the sanitation of public  
22 rest rooms, trailer courts, hotels, tourist courts, and other establishments  
23 furnishing public sleeping accommodations; the review, approval, or  
24 disapproval of plans for construction, modification, or extension of equipment  
25 related to food-handling in food-handling establishments; the licensure of  
26 hospitals; and the control of ~~such~~ other factors, not assigned by law to  
27 another agency, as may be necessary to insure a safe and sanitary



1 environment;

2 (d) The construction, installation, and alteration of any on-site sewage disposal  
3 system, except for a system with a surface discharge;

4 (e) Protection and improvement of the health of expectant mothers, infants,  
5 preschool, and school-age children; and

6 (f) Protection and improvement of the health of the people through better  
7 nutrition.

8 (2) (a) The secretary shall have authority to establish by regulation a schedule of  
9 reasonable fees, ~~[, not to exceed costs of the program to the cabinet to cover~~  
10 ~~inspector hours, but in no event shall]~~ The total fees for permitting and  
11 inspection:

12 1. Shall be the total of the operational and administrative costs of the  
13 programs to the cabinet and to agencies as defined in Section 1 of this  
14 Act;

15 2. Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020,  
16 shall not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee  
17 amount on the effective date of this Act; and

18 3. Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than  
19 five percent (5%) for each year thereafter.

20 (b) The fees shall include ~~[increase more than five percent (5%) per year,]~~ travel  
21 pursuant to state regulations for travel reimbursement, to cover the costs of  
22 inspections of manufacturers, retailers, and distributors of consumer products  
23 as defined in the Federal Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. secs. 2051  
24 et seq.; 86 Stat. 1207 et seq. or amendments thereto, and of youth camps for  
25 the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of this section and  
26 the regulations adopted by the secretary pursuant thereto.

27 (c) Fees collected by the secretary shall be deposited in the State Treasury and

1 credited to a revolving fund account for the purpose of carrying out the  
2 provisions of this section. The balance of the account shall lapse to the general  
3 fund at the end of each biennium.

4 (3) Any administrative hearing conducted under authority of this section shall be  
5 conducted in accordance with KRS Chapter 13B.

6 ➔Section 6. KRS 211.357 is amended to read as follows:

7 (1) The cabinet shall establish a program to certify persons as installers of on-site  
8 sewage disposal systems. A master plumber licensed pursuant to KRS Chapter 318  
9 or a person who provides written verification from the local health department in  
10 the county in which the work was completed that he installed five (5) lateral fields  
11 and septic tank systems prior to July 13, 1984, and that these installations had been  
12 inspected by a certified inspector and passed inspection, shall be certified  
13 automatically.

14 (2) The cabinet shall establish as a part of the certification program referenced in  
15 subsection (1) of this section a means of issuing a probationary certification for  
16 installers of on-site sewage disposal systems. This probationary certification shall  
17 automatically be converted to a full certification at the time that the holder of the  
18 probationary certificate has installed five (5) lateral fields and septic tank systems  
19 and has provided written verification from the local health department in the county  
20 in which the work was completed that these installations have been inspected by a  
21 certified inspector and passed the inspection. The cabinet shall issue a full  
22 certificate to the holder of the probationary certificate no later than sixty (60) days  
23 after receipt of verification. In order to be issued a probationary certification,  
24 eligible persons shall certify in writing that they will make installations in  
25 accordance with requirements set forth by the Cabinet for Health and Family  
26 Services.

27 (3) The cabinet may promulgate administrative regulations to establish a fee that:

- 1        (a) Shall ~~not exceed~~ **be the total of the operational and** administrative costs **of**  
 2        **the programs** to the cabinet **and to agencies as defined in Section 1 of this**  
 3        **Act;**
- 4        (b) **Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020, shall**  
 5        **not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee amount on the**  
 6        **effective date of this Act; and**
- 7        (c) **Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than five**  
 8        **percent (5%) for each year thereafter; and**, but in no event shall the total  
 9        fees for permitting and inspection increase more than five percent (5%) per  
 10       year, that
- 11       (d) Shall be paid by persons certified as installers, except master plumbers  
 12       licensed pursuant to KRS Chapter 318.
- 13       (4) The cabinet may revoke or suspend any certification issued pursuant to this section  
 14       upon proof that the certified person has:
- 15       (a) Knowingly violated the provisions of this chapter or the regulations of the  
 16       cabinet;
- 17       (b) Practiced fraud or deception in applying for or obtaining a certificate;
- 18       (c) Is incompetent to install on-site sewage disposal systems;
- 19       (d) Permitted the certification to be used directly or indirectly by another to install  
 20       on-site sewage disposal systems; or
- 21       (e) Is guilty of other unprofessional or dishonorable conduct of a character likely  
 22       to deceive or defraud the public.
- 23       (5) Upon appeal of any decision to revoke or suspend a certification, an administrative  
 24       hearing shall be conducted in accordance with KRS Chapter 13B.
- 25       (6) Nothing in this section shall be construed to condone the installation of on-site  
 26       sewage disposal systems contrary to specifications for these systems established by  
 27       the cabinet.

1           ➔Section 7. KRS 211.976 is amended to read as follows:

2       (1) (a) All persons proposing to engage in business for the purposes of this chapter  
3           shall file an application for licensing on forms provided by the cabinet with  
4           information specifying that waste hauling is restricted to household sewage or  
5           sludge only; commercial or industrial sanitary sewage or sludge only; grease  
6           trap sewage or sludge only; or combinations of the above. Other information  
7           deemed necessary, as well as the required fee, shall accompany the  
8           application.

9       (b) The secretary may promulgate administrative regulations to establish a fee  
10          schedule that:

11          1. Shall ~~not exceed the~~ **be the total of the operational and administrative**  
12           costs **of the programs** to the cabinet **and to agencies as defined in**  
13           **Section 1 of this Act;**

14          2. **Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020,**  
15           **shall not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee**  
16           **amount on the effective date of this Act; and**

17          3. **Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than**  
18           **five percent (5%) for each year thereafter**, ~~but in no event shall the~~  
19           ~~total fees for permitting and inspection increase more than five percent~~  
20           ~~(5%) per year~~.

21       (2) If the cabinet, after any investigation it deems necessary, finds that the applicant has  
22           the qualifications, experience, reputation, and approved site for disposal necessary  
23           to perform the service in an acceptable manner and not detrimental to the  
24           environment or to public health, it shall issue or cause to be issued a license for the  
25           said business. This license is not transferable. The application for license shall be  
26           made to the cabinet prior to March 1 of each year, and shall be accompanied by a  
27           surety bond tendered by a company registered in the Commonwealth of Kentucky,

1 to indemnify persons for whom service and maintenance work is performed, if  
2 faulty, and to guarantee disposal of sewage sludge in an approved manner; or with  
3 sureties, form and sufficiency acceptable to the cabinet. The amount of the bond  
4 shall be established by administrative regulation promulgated by the cabinet. The  
5 cabinet shall be the obligee, and the bond shall be for the benefit and purpose to  
6 protect all persons and the environment damaged by faulty workmanship in the  
7 servicing or maintaining of sewage pretreatment units, grease traps, or holding  
8 tanks, or in the disposal of sewage sludge, and shall guarantee the appearance of the  
9 licensee to answer any summons within thirty (30) days of notice to the bonding  
10 company of the issuance of summons. Bonds shall be conditioned upon the  
11 performance of the services in a workmanlike manner, and in a manner which will  
12 not create a public health hazard nor damage the environment.

13 ➔Section 8. KRS 217.125 is amended to read as follows:

14 (1) The authority to promulgate regulations for the efficient administration and  
15 enforcement of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 is hereby vested in the secretary. The  
16 secretary may make the regulations promulgated under KRS 217.005 to 217.215  
17 consistent with those promulgated under the federal act and the Fair Packaging and  
18 Labeling Act. Regulations promulgated may require permits to operate and include  
19 provisions for regulating the issuance, suspension, and reinstatement of permits.  
20 The authority to promulgate regulations pursuant to KRS 217.005 to 217.205 is  
21 restricted to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

22 (2) No person shall operate a food processing establishment, food storage warehouse,  
23 salvage distributor, or salvage processing plant without having obtained an annual  
24 permit to operate from the cabinet. An application for the permit to operate shall be  
25 made to the cabinet upon forms provided by it and shall be accompanied by the  
26 required fee as shall be provided by regulation. The secretary shall promulgate  
27 administrative regulations to establish a fee schedule not to exceed costs of the

1 program to the cabinet. Fees collected by the cabinet shall be deposited in the State  
2 Treasury and credited to a revolving fund account for use by the cabinet in carrying  
3 out the provisions of KRS 217.025 to 217.390 and the regulations adopted by the  
4 secretary pursuant thereto. The balance of the account shall lapse to the general fund  
5 at the end of each biennium.

6 (3) No person shall operate a retail food establishment without having obtained a  
7 permit to operate from the cabinet. An application for a permit to operate any retail  
8 food establishment shall be made to the cabinet upon forms provided by it and shall  
9 contain the information the cabinet may reasonably require.

10 (4) (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (11) of this section, each  
11 application for a temporary food service establishment or for an annual permit  
12 to operate a retail food establishment shall be accompanied by the required  
13 fee. The secretary shall promulgate administrative regulations to establish a  
14 fee schedule not to exceed costs to the cabinet, ~~[, but in no event shall]~~

15 (b) The total fees for permitting and inspection:

16 1. Shall be the total of the operational and administrative costs of the  
17 programs to the cabinet and to agencies as defined in Section 1 of this  
18 Act;

19 2. Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020,  
20 shall not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee  
21 amount on the effective date of this Act; and

22 3. Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than  
23 five percent (5%) for each year thereafter ~~[increase more than five~~  
24 ~~percent (5%) per year].~~

25 (5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (11) of this section, each application for  
26 a farmers market temporary food service establishment shall be accompanied by the  
27 required fee of at least fifty dollars (\$50). The secretary shall establish a fee

1 schedule by promulgation of administrative regulation. Fees collected by the cabinet  
2 shall be used to carry out duties related to farmers market temporary food service  
3 establishments, including but not limited to inspections and the issuance of permits.

4 (6) An applicant for a permit to operate a farmers market temporary food service  
5 establishment must provide documentation of successful completion of a food  
6 safety training program offered by either the state, a local health department, or  
7 other entity approved by the cabinet to conduct food safety training. Each  
8 certification of food safety training shall expire after a period of twenty-four (24)  
9 months from the date of issuance. Permits issued shall be posted in a conspicuous  
10 place in the establishment, and a person who has completed the food safety training  
11 for farmers market temporary food service establishments shall be present at all  
12 times during the operation of the establishment.

13 (7) Upon expiration of a temporary food service establishment permit, any subsequent  
14 permits shall not be issued to the same operator to operate at the same location until  
15 a period of thirty (30) days has elapsed.

16 (8) Upon receipt of an application for a permit to operate a food processing  
17 establishment, food storage warehouse, salvage distributor, or salvage processing  
18 plant or a retail food establishment accompanied by the required fee, the cabinet  
19 shall issue a permit if the establishment meets the requirements of KRS 217.005 to  
20 217.215 and regulations adopted by the cabinet. Retail food establishments holding  
21 a valid and effective permit on January 1, 1973, even though not fully meeting the  
22 construction requirements of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 and the regulations adopted  
23 pursuant thereto, may continue to be eligible for permit renewal if in good repair  
24 and capable of being maintained in a safe and sanitary manner.

25 (9) Permits shall not be issued to operate a temporary food service establishment and a  
26 farmers market temporary food service establishment simultaneously at the same  
27 location and by the same operator.

- 1 (10) In all instances of permit issuance for either a temporary food service establishment  
 2 permit or a farmers market temporary food service establishment permit, any  
 3 subsequent permits shall not be issued until a period of thirty (30) days has elapsed.
- 4 (11) Private, parochial, and public school cafeterias or lunchroom facilities through the  
 5 twelfth grade, charitable food kitchens, and all facilities operated by the Cabinet for  
 6 Health and Family Services or Department of Corrections shall be exempt from the  
 7 payment of fees, but shall comply with all other provisions of KRS 217.005 to  
 8 217.215 and the state retail food establishment code. For this subsection, the term  
 9 "charitable food kitchens" means a not-for-profit, benevolent food service  
 10 establishment where more than one-half (1/2) of the employees are volunteers.
- 11 (12) Each annual permit to operate a food processing establishment, food storage  
 12 warehouse, salvage distributor, or salvage processing plant or a retail food  
 13 establishment, unless previously suspended or revoked, shall expire on December  
 14 31 following its date of issuance, and be renewable annually upon application  
 15 accompanied by the required fee, except as otherwise provided in subsection (11) of  
 16 this section, and if the establishment is in compliance with KRS 217.005 to 217.215  
 17 and regulations of the cabinet.
- 18 (13) Each permit to operate a food processing establishment, food storage warehouse,  
 19 salvage distributor, salvage processing plant, or a retail food establishment shall be  
 20 issued only for the premises and person named in the application and shall not be  
 21 transferable. Permits issued shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the  
 22 establishment.
- 23 ➔Section 9. KRS 217.811 is amended to read as follows:
- 24 **(1)** The cabinet shall promulgate administrative regulations to establish a fee ~~not to~~  
 25 ~~exceed the~~ **that:**
- 26 **(a) Shall be the total of the operational and administrative costs of the**  
 27 **programs to the cabinet and to agencies as defined in Section 1 of this Act;**



1 (b) Beginning on the effective date of this Act until December 31, 2020, shall  
 2 not increase more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the fee amount on the  
 3 effective date of this Act; and

4 (c) Beginning on or after January 1, 2021, shall not increase more than five  
 5 percent (5%) for each year thereafter. ~~[of the program, but in no event shall~~  
 6 ~~an increase be more than five percent (5%) per year.]~~

7 (2) The fee ~~[that]~~ shall be paid with each application for permit to operate a vending  
 8 machine company for each vending machine commissary plus a fee for the total  
 9 number of vending machines operated by the applicant.

10 (3) Vending machines dispensing only bottled or canned soft drinks; prepackaged  
 11 nonpotentially hazardous food; chewing gum, nuts, and/or candies shall be exempt  
 12 from the permit and fee requirements of KRS 217.808 to 217.812.

13 ➔Section 10. KRS 212.725 is amended to read as follows:

14 (1) If, after the establishment of the public health taxing district, as provided in KRS  
 15 212.720, the tax-levying authorities of the district, in the opinion of the county or  
 16 city-county board of health, do not appropriate an amount sufficient to meet the  
 17 public health needs of the county or the city-county health department or do not  
 18 appropriate an amount sufficient to meet the standards prescribed by the Cabinet for  
 19 Health and Family Services for health departments, the county or city-county board  
 20 of health, acting as the governing body of the taxing district, shall with the approval  
 21 of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, impose by resolution a special ad  
 22 valorem public health tax in an ~~[such]~~ amount that it deems sufficient.

23 (2) The special ad valorem public health tax shall ~~[, but]~~ not be:

24 (a) Subject to the provisions of KRS 132.023; or

25 (b) Levied in an amount that is in excess of:

26 1. The maximum amount approved by the electorate as provided for in  
 27 KRS 212.720; or

1                   **2. Ten cents (\$0.10) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of full value assessed**  
2                   **valuation.**

3     **(3)** The fiscal court shall upon receipt of a duly certified copy of said resolution,  
4           include in the next county ad valorem tax levy said special public health tax  
5           imposed by the county or city-county board of health which shall be in addition to  
6           all other county ad valorem taxes.

7     **(4)** ~~The~~<sup>Said</sup> special public health tax shall be collected in the same manner as are  
8           other county ad valorem taxes and turned over to the county or city-county board of  
9           health.

10    **(5) Moneys derived from the special ad valorem public health tax:**

11           **(a)** ~~Shall~~<sup>to</sup> be used~~solely~~ for the maintenance and operation of the county or  
12           city-county health department;

13           **(b)** **May be expended for the construction, alteration, or modification of a**  
14           **public health center or other suitable housing facility for the county or city-**  
15           **county health department; and**

16           **(c)** **May be expended for funding for full-time equivalent foundational public**  
17           **health service providers as permitted by subsection (3) of Section 2 of this**  
18           **Act.**

19           ➔Section 11. KRS 212.755 is amended to read as follows:

20    (1) If, after the establishment of the public health taxing district as provided for in this  
21           section and KRS 212.750, the tax-levying authorities of the district, in the opinion  
22           of the county or city-county board of health or urban-county department of health,  
23           do not appropriate an amount sufficient to meet the public health needs of the  
24           county or the city-county health department or urban-county department of health or  
25           do not appropriate an amount sufficient to meet the standards prescribed by the  
26           Cabinet for Health and Family Services for local health departments, the county or  
27           city-county board of health or urban-county department of health, acting as the

1 governing body of the taxing district shall, with the approval of the Cabinet for  
2 Health and Family Services, request the fiscal court or urban-county government to  
3 impose by resolution a special ad valorem public health tax in an amount that it  
4 deems sufficient.

5 **(2) The special ad valorem public health tax shall~~[-, but]~~ not be:**

6 **(a) Subject to the provisions of KRS 132.023; or**

7 **(b) Levied in an amount that is** in excess of ten cents (\$0.10) per one hundred  
8 dollars (\$100) of full value assessed valuation.

9 **(3)** The fiscal court or urban-county government may, upon receipt of a duly certified  
10 copy of the resolution, include in the next county ad valorem tax levy the special  
11 public health tax imposed by the county or city-county board of health or urban-  
12 county department of health, which shall be in addition to all other county ad  
13 valorem taxes.

14 **(4)** If levied by the fiscal court or urban-county government, the special public health  
15 tax shall be collected in the same manner as are other county ad valorem taxes and  
16 turned over to the county or city-county board of health or urban-county department  
17 of health.

18 **(5) Moneys derived from the special ad valorem public health tax:**

19 **(a) Shall~~[- to]~~ be used~~[- solely]~~ for the maintenance and operation of the county,**  
20 **city-county, or district health department or urban-county department of**  
21 **health;**

22 **(b) May be expended for the construction, alteration, or modification of a**  
23 **public health center or other suitable housing facility for the county or city-**  
24 **county health department or urban-county department of health; and**

25 **(c) May be expended for funding for full-time equivalent foundational public**  
26 **health service providers as permitted by subsection (3) of Section 2 of this**  
27 **Act~~[- and as provided in KRS 212.740].~~**

1 ~~(2) Public health taxing districts organized pursuant to the provisions of KRS 212.720~~  
2 ~~to 212.740 or organized pursuant to this section and KRS 212.750 shall not be~~  
3 ~~subject to the provisions of the compensating tax rate as defined by KRS 132.010~~  
4 ~~nor to Chapter 2, 1965 First Extraordinary Session of the General Assembly;~~  
5 ~~provided, however, that no public health taxing district shall impose a rate higher~~  
6 ~~than ten cents (\$0.10) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of full value assessed~~  
7 ~~valuation].~~

8 ➔Section 12. KRS 212.750 is amended to read as follows:

9 (1) It is the intent of this section and KRS 212.755, inter alia, to create a public health  
10 taxing district via operation of law in every county of the Commonwealth that has  
11 not heretofore created same except in counties containing cities of the first class or a  
12 consolidated local government.

13 (2) In all counties where a county or city-county health department or urban-county  
14 department of health has been established, except in counties containing a city of  
15 the first class or a consolidated local government, and a public health taxing district  
16 has not been established pursuant to the provisions of KRS 212.720, **212.722, and**  
17 **Section 10 of this Act**~~[to 212.740], a public health taxing district is hereby declared~~  
18 ~~to be created upon June 13, 1968, or upon the creation of an urban-county~~  
19 ~~department of health. The members of the county or city-county board of health or~~  
20 ~~urban-county department of health shall, by virtue of their office, constitute and be~~  
21 ~~the governing body of the public health taxing district and shall perform the duties~~  
22 ~~attendant thereto in addition to their duties as members of the county or city-county~~  
23 ~~board of health or urban-county department of health. The officers of the county or~~  
24 ~~city-county board of health or urban-county department of health shall be the~~  
25 ~~officers of the public health taxing district.~~

26 (3) Nothing in this section and KRS 212.755 shall in any way abridge the rights of two  
27 (2) or more counties from establishing a district health department.

1           ➔Section 13. KRS 65.060 is amended to read as follows:

2       As used in KRS 65.008, 65.009, 65.065 and 65.070, the term "district" shall mean and the  
3       provisions of KRS 65.008, 65.009, 65.065 and 65.070 shall apply to any board,  
4       commission, or special district created pursuant to the following statutes: KRS 39F.020,  
5       39F.160; KRS 65.160, 65.162, 65.210 to 65.300, 65.510 to 65.650; KRS 74.010 to  
6       74.415; KRS 75.010 to 75.260; KRS 76.005 to 76.210, 76.241 to 76.273, 76.274 to  
7       76.279, 76.295 to 76.420, 76.600 to 76.640; KRS 77.005 to 77.305; KRS 80.262 to  
8       80.610; KRS 91A.350 to 91A.390; KRS 96A.010 to 96A.230; KRS 104.450 to 104.680;  
9       KRS 107.310 to 107.500; KRS 108.010 to 108.070, 108.080 to 108.180; KRS 109.056,  
10      109.059, 109.115 to 109.190; KRS 147.610 to 147.705; KRS 147A.050 to 147A.120;  
11      KRS 154.50-301 to 154.50-346; KRS 164.605 to 164.675; KRS 173.450 to 173.650,  
12      173.710 to 173.800; KRS 179.700 to 179.735; KRS 183.132 to 183.160; KRS 184.010 to  
13      184.300; KRS 210.460 to 210.480; KRS 212.720 to Section 11 of this Act~~[212.760]~~;  
14      KRS 216.310 to 216.360; KRS 220.010 to 220.613; KRS 262.100 to 262.660, 262.700 to  
15      262.990; KRS 266.010 to 266.990; KRS 267.010 to 267.990; KRS 268.010 to 268.990;  
16      or KRS 273.405 to 273.453.

17           ➔Section 14. KRS 65.180 is amended to read as follows:

18      As used in KRS 65.182 to 65.190, unless the context otherwise requires, the word "taxing  
19      district" shall mean, and the provisions of KRS 65.182 to 65.190 shall apply to, any  
20      special district authorized by statute to levy ad valorem taxes within the meaning of  
21      Section 157 of the Constitution of Kentucky or to levy ad valorem taxes under the  
22      provisions of KRS 68.602 and governed by the following statutes: KRS 65.182, 75.010 to  
23      75.260, 107.310 to 107.500, 108.080 to 108.180, 109.115 to 109.190, 173.450 to  
24      173.650, 173.710 to 173.800, 179.700 to 179.990, 212.720 to Section 11 of this Act  
25      ~~[212.760]~~, 216.310 to 216.360, 266.010 to 266.990, and 268.010 to 268.990.

26           ➔Section 15. KRS 65.900 is amended to read as follows:

27      As used in KRS 65.905 to 65.925, unless the context requires otherwise:

- 1 (1) "City" means every city organized and governed under the mayor-alderman form of  
2 government pursuant to KRS Chapter 83, every city organized and governed under  
3 the mayor-council form of government pursuant to KRS Chapter 83A, every city  
4 organized and governed under the commission form of government pursuant to  
5 KRS Chapter 83A, every city organized and governed under the city manager form  
6 of government pursuant to KRS Chapter 83A, every consolidated local government  
7 organized and governed under the consolidated local government form of  
8 government pursuant to KRS Chapter 67C, and every urban-county government  
9 organized and governed under the urban-county form of government pursuant to  
10 KRS Chapter 67A.
- 11 (2) "County" means any of Kentucky's one hundred twenty (120) counties.
- 12 (3) "Special district" means any district with ad valorem taxing powers including, but  
13 not limited to, those specified in the following KRS statutes: KRS 75.010 to 75.260,  
14 KRS 76.274 to 76.279, KRS 104.450 to 104.680, KRS 107.310 to 107.500, KRS  
15 108.080 to 108.180, KRS 109.115 to 109.190, KRS 147.610 to 147.710, KRS  
16 164.605 to 164.675, KRS 173.450 to 173.650, KRS 173.710 to 173.800, KRS  
17 179.700 to 179.990, KRS 210.370 to 210.480, KRS 212.720 to Section 11 of this  
18 Act ~~[212.760]~~, KRS 216.310 to 216.360, KRS 220.010 to 220.613, KRS 262.010 to  
19 262.660, KRS 262.700 to 262.990, KRS 266.010 to 266.990, KRS 268.010 to  
20 268.990, and KRS 269.100 to 269.270.
- 21 (4) "Local government" includes:
- 22 (a) For fiscal periods ending prior to July 1, 2014, cities, counties, consolidated  
23 local governments, urban-county governments, and special districts; and
- 24 (b) For fiscal periods beginning on and after July 1, 2014, cities, counties,  
25 consolidated local governments, and urban-county governments.
- 26 (5) "Lease-purchase agreement" means an agreement to lease or to lease and purchase  
27 major items of property, equipment, or services estimated to cost fifty thousand

1           dollars (\$50,000) or more, and two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) or more  
2           for the construction or installation of a building or a utility.

3           ➔Section 16. The following KRS sections are repealed:

4   212.740 Expenditures of special health tax moneys.

5   212.760 Public health taxing districts exempt from compensating tax rate.

6           ➔Section 17. Whereas the continuing increase in health care costs is a burden on  
7   Kentucky agencies and consumers, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes  
8   effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon otherwise becoming law.