

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Finance and Administration Cabinet to
2 create an Evidence-Based Policymaking Task Force to study how state agencies collect
3 and share data, and making an appropriation therefor.

4 WHEREAS, in March of 2016, Congress passed a federal law, Public Law 114-140,
5 on a bipartisan basis creating the Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission; and

6 WHEREAS, the commission was a 15-member agency in the federal government
7 charged by Congress and the President with examining how government could better use
8 its existing data to provide evidence for future government decisions; and

9 WHEREAS, the commission engaged in fact-finding and deliberations that
10 involved consideration of evidence from more than 200 federal agencies, testimony from
11 more than 50 individuals, and additional written comments from 350 individuals; and

12 WHEREAS, on September 7, 2017, the commission issued its final report, "The
13 Promise of Evidence-Based Policymaking," and made 22 unanimous recommendations
14 for adoption by Congress and the President; and

15 WHEREAS, on January 14, 2019, the President signed a bipartisan bill entitled
16 "The Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018," Public Law 115-435,
17 adopting many of the recommendations of the commission; and

18 WHEREAS, this law establishes procedures for the federal government to
19 modernize its data management practices and encourage certain uses of data to inform
20 policy decisions; and

21 WHEREAS, the federal process could serve as a model for Kentucky to optimize
22 the use of data for effective delivery of government services in a challenging fiscal
23 environment;

24 NOW, THEREFORE,

25 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

26 ➔Section 1. The Finance and Administration Cabinet is directed to create the
27 Evidence-Based Policymaking Task Force to study the following:

- 1 (1) How state agencies gather and collect data;
- 2 (2) How data is shared between state agencies;
- 3 (3) How state agencies can increase data sharing;
- 4 (4) Whether more efficient, cost-effective data sharing methods exist;
- 5 (5) How state agencies protect the confidential data of individuals and state
- 6 agencies;
- 7 (6) How data could be collected to evaluate program efficacy; and
- 8 (7) Whether cost-benefit analysis could be improved or expanded.

9 ➔Section 2. (1) The Evidence-Based Policymaking Task Force shall contain the
10 following 15 voting members:

- 11 (a) The state budget director or designee;
- 12 (b) Four members appointed by the Governor, of whom:
 - 13 1. Two shall be academic researchers, data experts, or have experience in
 - 14 administering programs, with at least five years of experience in the field; and
 - 15 2. Two shall be experts in protecting personally identifiable information and data
 - 16 minimization with at least five years of experience in the field;
- 17 (c) Five members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of
- 18 whom:
 - 19 1. Three shall be academic researchers, data experts, or have experience in
 - 20 administering programs, with at least five years of experience in the field; and
 - 21 2. Two shall be experts in protecting personally identifiable information and data
 - 22 minimization with at least five years of experience in the field;
- 23 (d) Five members appointed by the President of the Senate, of whom:
 - 24 1. Three shall be an academic researchers, data experts, or have experience in
 - 25 administering programs, with at least five years of experience in the field; and
 - 26 2. Two shall be experts in protecting personally identifiable information and data
 - 27 minimization with at least five years of experience in the field.

1 (2) The Evidence-Based Policymaking Task Force shall contain the following
2 nonvoting members:

- 3 (a) The secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet, or designee;
4 (b) The secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, or designee;
5 (c) The secretary of the Transportation Cabinet, or designee;
6 (d) The secretary of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, or
7 designee;
8 (e) The secretary of the Cabinet for Economic Development, or designee;
9 (f) The secretary of the Labor Cabinet, or designee;
10 (g) The secretary of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, or designee;
11 (h) The secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet, or designee;
12 (i) The commissioner of the Department for Local Government, or designee;
13 (j) The director of the Legislative Research Commission, or designee; and
14 (k) Any other agency as determined by the task force.

15 ➔Section 3. The task force shall be attached to the Finance and Administration
16 Cabinet for administrative staffing purposes.

17 ➔Section 4. The Finance and Administration cabinet shall reimburse non-
18 governmental members of the task force for expenses incurred, including travel, food, and
19 lodging, from its general fund allotment.

20 ➔Section 5. The Governor shall select a task force chair from the voting
21 members.

22 ➔Section 6. The task force shall meet monthly beginning in July 2020. The task
23 force shall submit findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Legislative
24 Research Commission, the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, and
25 the Interim Joint Committee on State Government by July 1, 2021. After July 1, 2021, the
26 task force shall no longer exist.