

1 AN ACT relating to the training of city officials.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 83A IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) In addition to any city officers training program established pursuant to KRS*
6 *64.5278, within one (1) year of assuming office, each mayor and legislative body*
7 *member of a city of the home rule class shall receive three (3) hours of training*
8 *related to his or her powers, duties, and responsibilities as an elected city official.*

9 *The training shall address the following topics:*

10 *(a) Powers and organization of city governments;*

11 *(b) Forms of city government and the roles of city officials therein;*

12 *(c) Open meetings;*

13 *(d) Open records;*

14 *(e) Ethics requirements for city officials; and*

15 *(f) City budgeting and procurement processes.*

16 *(2) An official required to receive training under subsection (1) of this section shall*
17 *obtain a certificate from the training provider evidencing his or her participation*
18 *in the training and shall file a copy of the certification with the office of city clerk*
19 *in the city in which the elected official serves.*

20 *(3) Once an official successfully completes the training required under subsection*
21 *(1) of this section one (1) time, that officer shall not be required to complete the*
22 *training for any subsequent terms of office.*

23 *(4) A public entity as defined in KRS 65.310 that represents cities shall provide the*
24 *training or make the training available at least four (4) times per calendar year at*
25 *no cost to either the city or the city officials required to receive the training.*

26 *(5) An official required to comply with the requirements of this section who fails to*
27 *complete the training shall be subject to removal from office by the legislative*

1 body of the official's city under the provisions of KRS 83A.040(9) for willful
2 neglect in the performance of the duties of his or her office.

3 (6) The requirements of this section shall not apply to officials in a consolidated
4 local government or an urban-county government.

5 (7) In any city that has established a city officers training program pursuant to KRS
6 64.5278 the requirements of subsection (1) of this section may count towards any
7 base training incentive payment amount established by the city.

8 →Section 2. Any elected city official in an elected city office on the effective date
9 of this Act shall meet the requirements of this Act within one year of the effective date of
10 this Act.