

1 AN ACT relating to home studies.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 199.474 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) As used in this section unless the context requires otherwise:

5 (a) "Cabinet" means the Cabinet for Health and Family Services; and

6 (b) "Home study" has the same meaning as in KRS 615.030, Article II, subsection

7 (6).

8 (2) ***The home study shall use a standardized methodology that uses a structured***  
9 ***evaluation that includes at a minimum the following components:***

10 ***(a) Information gathering tools;***

11 ***(b) Structured analysis tools; and***

12 ***(c) Preformatted home study report.***

13 **(3)** The cabinet shall promulgate by administrative regulations the process, procedures,  
14 and requirements to ensure that a uniform establishment and understanding of the  
15 definition of, and the required documentation within, any home study required  
16 pursuant to this chapter is the same for both public and private agencies.