

1 AN ACT relating to elections.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 117.0553 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) The executive director of the State Board of Elections or his *or her* designee shall
5 examine each proposed precinct establishment order submitted under KRS
6 117.0552 to determine if the order would establish precincts in compliance with
7 KRS 117.055 to 117.0552.
- 8 (2) If the executive director or his *or her* designee determines that the proposed
9 precinct establishment order would comply with KRS 117.055 to 117.0552, the
10 executive director shall approve the proposed precinct establishment order no later
11 than thirty (30) days after its receipt by the executive director. The order shall
12 become effective upon the executive director's approval unless the order contains a
13 different effective date.
- 14 (3) If the executive director or his *or her* designee determines that the proposed
15 precinct establishment order would not comply with KRS 117.055 to 117.0552, the
16 executive director shall return the proposed precinct establishment order to the
17 county board of elections no later than thirty (30) days after he *or she* receives the
18 proposed order. The order shall be accompanied by a letter from the executive
19 director indicating specifically how the order would not comply with KRS 117.055
20 to 117.0552.
- 21 (4) If a proposed precinct establishment order is returned to a county board of elections
22 under this section, the board may:
- 23 (a) Amend the proposed order so that the precincts may be established in
24 compliance with KRS 117.055 to 117.0552; or
- 25 (b) Request an exemption under KRS 117.0554; or
- 26 (c) Request a hearing under KRS 117.0555.
- 27 (5) The county board of elections shall resubmit the proposed order to the executive

1 director of the State Board of Elections with the amendment, request for an
2 exemption, or request for a hearing. If the proposed order is resubmitted with an
3 amendment, the executive director or his or her designee shall review and act upon
4 the amended proposal in accordance with subsections (1) to (3) of this section.