

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing the Cabinet for Health and Family
2 Services Organizational Structure, Operations, and Administration Task Force.

3 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is the state government
4 agency that administers programs to promote the mental and physical health of
5 Kentuckians and supports Kentucky families; and

6 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is the primary state agency
7 for operating the public health, Medicaid, certificate of need and licensure, and mental
8 health and intellectual disability programs in Kentucky; and

9 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services administers several
10 programs including but not limited to the Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program, the
11 Child Care Assistance Program for Families, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
12 Program, and the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program; and

13 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is the largest and most
14 complex cabinet in state government; and

15 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is composed of the
16 Department for Aging and Independent Living, the Department for Behavioral Health,
17 Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, the Department for Community Based
18 Services, the Department for Family Resource Centers and Volunteer Services, the
19 Department for Income Support, the Department for Medicaid Services, the Department
20 for Public Health, the Office of the Secretary, the Office of Health Data and Analytics,
21 and the Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs; and

22 WHEREAS, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services oversees thousands of
23 employees statewide and administers intricate statewide health and social service
24 programs that impact almost every single Kentuckian;

25 NOW, THEREFORE,

26 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***
27 ***Kentucky, the House of Representatives concurring therein:***

1 ➔Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission shall establish the Cabinet for
2 Health and Family Services Organizational Structure, Operations, and Administration
3 Task Force to study the organizational structure, operations, and administration of
4 programs, polices, and procedures within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

5 ➔Section 2. The duties of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services
6 Organizational Structure, Operations, and Administration Task Force shall include, but
7 are not limited to:

8 (1) Examining the structure, operations, programs, policies, and procedures
9 within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to determine if or how services can be
10 delivered more effectively and efficiently, particularly relating to health outcomes;
11 preventing child abuse and neglect and elder abuse; and mental health services;

12 (2) Assessing the current workforce structure of the Cabinet for Health and
13 Family Services with the goal of determining how its workforce is effectively meeting the
14 needs of its constituency;

15 (3) Evaluating the administrative costs of delivering services and studying
16 alternative ways of reducing administrative costs; and

17 (4) Studying the productivity of different programs and services administered by
18 the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and receiving input from cabinet officials as
19 well as advocates and recipients of its services and programs.

20 ➔Section 3. The Cabinet for Health and Family Services Organizational
21 Structure, Operations, and Administration Task Force shall be composed of the following
22 members with final membership of the task force being subject to the consideration and
23 approval of the Legislative Research Commission:

24 (1) Three members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, one of
25 whom shall be designated by the President of the Senate as a co-chair of the task force;

26 (2) One member of the Senate appointed by the Minority Floor Leader of the
27 Senate;

1 (3) Three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of
2 the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be designated by the Speaker of the
3 House of Representatives as co-chair of the task force; and

4 (4) One member of the House of Representative appointed by the Minority Floor
5 Leader of the House of Representatives.

6 ➔Section 4. The Cabinet for Health and Family Services Organizational
7 Structure, Operations, and Administration Task Force shall meet monthly during the 2022
8 interim of the General Assembly and shall submit findings and recommendations to the
9 Legislative Research Commission for referral to the appropriate committee or committees
10 by December 1, 2022.

11 ➔Section 5. Provisions of this Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding, the
12 Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the
13 issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and to
14 designate a study completion date.