

1 AN ACT relating to the right to refuse medical treatment.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 311 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) The General Assembly recognizes that:*

6 *(a) Citizens of the Commonwealth are guaranteed autonomy over their own*
7 *bodies and medical choices, and they possess the right to receive or not to*
8 *receive medications or treatment; and*

9 *(b) The right to refuse any medical procedure, treatment, injection, vaccine,*
10 *prophylactic, pharmaceutical, or medical device is the inherent and absolute*
11 *right of all competent adults to direct their own healthcare decisions.*

12 *(2) Nothing in the Kentucky Revised Statutes or administrative regulations*
13 *promulgated thereunder shall be construed to require, mandate, or coerce any*
14 *competent adult to receive or use a medical procedure, treatment, injection,*
15 *vaccine, prophylactic, pharmaceutical, or medical device.*

16 *(3) No person, employer, entity, or health care provider shall require, mandate, or*
17 *coerce a competent adult to receive or use a medical procedure, treatment,*
18 *injection, vaccine, prophylactic, pharmaceutical, or medical device.*