

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing the Teacher Red Tape Reduction
2 Task Force.

3 WHEREAS, unfilled teacher positions in Kentucky have increased by 260%
4 percent since 2019 according to the staff of the Legislative Research Commission's
5 Office of Education Accountability, which means it is more important than ever that
6 Kentucky take competitive steps to protect the teaching profession; and

7 WHEREAS, excessive mandates impose an undue burden on Kentucky teachers
8 that harms the dignity of the teaching profession and the ability of this Commonwealth to
9 attract and maintain high quality teachers; and

10 WHEREAS, reducing the amount of time Kentucky teachers spend on compliance
11 and administrative tasks will grant teachers the freedom to focus on the activities that
12 have the greatest impact on student growth and achievement; and

13 WHEREAS, the General Assembly seeks to reprioritize teaching, learning, and
14 student outcomes over compliance and administrative tasks; and

15 WHEREAS, the General Assembly is committed to collecting, analyzing, and
16 leveraging data to inform deliberate and effective legislation to identify and eradicate
17 outdated, redundant, or unnecessary mandates imposed upon teachers;

18 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

21 ➔Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission shall establish the Teacher
22 Red Tape Reduction Task Force. The task force shall study and make recommendations
23 to identify outdated, redundant, or unnecessary mandates imposed upon teachers.

24 ➔Section 2. The Teacher Red Tape Reduction Task Force. shall be composed of
25 the following members, with final membership being subject to the consideration and
26 approval of the Legislative Research Commission:

27 (1) Four members of the House of Representatives, including three members to

1 be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one member appointed
2 by the Minority Floor Leader of the House of Representatives. One of the four members
3 of the House of Representatives shall be designated by the Speaker of the House to serve
4 as co-chair; and

5 (2) Four members of the Senate, including three members to be appointed by the
6 President of the Senate and one member to be appointed by the Minority Floor Leader of
7 the Senate. One of the four members of the Senate shall be designated by the President of
8 the Senate to serve as co-chair.

9 ➔Section 3. The task force shall meet as necessary during the 2024 Interim of the
10 General Assembly. The task force shall submit findings and recommendations to the
11 Legislative Research Commission for referral to the appropriate committee or committees
12 by December 1, 2024.

13 ➔Section 4. Provisions of this Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding, the
14 Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the
15 issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and to
16 designate a study completion date.