1		AN	ACI	reiatii	ng to state government.
2	Be i	t enac	ted by	y the	General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→ S	ection	1. I	KRS 45.750 is amended to read as follows:
4	(1)	As t	ısed iı	n KRS	S 45.760 to 45.810:
5		(a)	"Co	mmitt	ee" means the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee;
6		(b)	"Ca _]	pital c	construction item" means:
7			1.	The	construction, reconstruction, acquisition, and structural maintenance
8				of b	uildings;
9			2.	The	installation of utility services, including roads and sewers;
10			3.	The	acquisition or improvement of real property;
11			4.	The	purchase and installation initially or during major renovation of
12				equi	pment, facilities, and furnishings of a permanent nature for
13				buil	dings; or
14			5.	The	acquisition of any building to be occupied by any:
15				a.	Subdivision of state government as defined in KRS 12.010 or
16					enumerated in KRS 12.020;
17				b.	Municipal corporation which exercises its authority on a statewide
18					basis including, but not limited to, the Kentucky Employees
19					Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of the State of
20					Kentucky, Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation,
21					Kentucky Lottery Corporation, Kentucky Housing Corporation, or
22					any entity with a governing body whose membership is
23					substantially similar to the membership of the governing body of a
24					municipal corporation which exercises its authority on a statewide
25					basis; and
26				c.	Institution of higher education;

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(c) "Lease" means any lease, lease-purchase, or lease with an option to purchase

1		of any real property space occupied by:
2		1. Any entity listed in paragraph (b)5. of this subsection;
3		2. The legislative branch; or
4		3. The judicial branch when leased from a private sector landlord;
5	(d)	"Equipment" means:
6		1. Any major item of equipment, including aircraft;
7		2. <u>Electronic equipment that incorporates advanced computing,</u>
8		including smart medical, scientific, and research equipment;
9		<u>3.</u> Any movable furnishing, appurtenance, or other equipment, necessary to
10		make a building operable; and
11		4.[3.] Equipment purchased or otherwise acquired, or equipment to be
12		purchased or otherwise to be acquired, under a lease or lease-purchase
13		contract or agreement or an arrangement equivalent to a lease or lease-
14		purchase contract or agreement;
15	(e)	"Information technology system" means any related computer or
16		telecommunications components that provide a functional system for a
17		specific business purpose and contain one (1) or more of the following:
18		1. Hardware;
19		2. Software, including application software, systems management
20		software, utility software, or communications software;
21		3. Professional services for requirements analysis, system integration,
22		installation, implementation, or data conversion services; or
23		4. Digital data products, including acquisition and quality control;
24	(f)	"Capital projects" means, regardless of the source of cash or other
25		consideration:
26		1. Any capital construction item, or any combination of capital
27		construction items necessary to make a building or utility installation

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1			complete, estimated to cost one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more in
2			cash or other consideration;
3		2.	Any lease of real property space with an annual rental cost exceeding
4			five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)[two hundred thousand
5			dollars (\$200,000)];
6		3.	The use allowance paid by the judicial branch for a real property space
7			pursuant to KRS 26A.090(2) and 26A.115 when the use allowance for
8			the space exceeds two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) on an
9			annual basis;
10		4.	Any item of equipment estimated to cost <u>five hundred thousand dollars</u>
11			(\$500,000)[two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000)] or more in cash or
12			other consideration;
13		5.	Any lease of an item of movable equipment if the annual cost of the
14			lease is <i>five hundred thousand dollars</i> (\$500,000)[two hundred
15			thousand dollars (\$200,000)] or more or if the total cost of the lease-
16			purchase or lease with an option to purchase is five hundred thousand
17			dollars (\$500,000)[two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000)] or more;
18			and
19		6.	Any new acquisition, upgrade, or replacement of an information
20			technology system estimated to cost <u>five million dollars</u>
21			(\$5,000,000) [one million dollars (\$1,000,000)] or more in cash or other
22			consideration;
23	(g)	"Em	ergency repair, maintenance, or replacement project" means the
24		main	tenance, repair, or reconstruction of a capital construction project or the
25		main	tenance, repair, or replacement of a major item of equipment that is:
26		1.	Necessitated by injury or damage resulting from a disaster:

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Necessary to maintain government operations or to prevent or minimize

1			injury or damage that could reasonably be expected to result from an
2			impending disaster; or
3			3. Necessitated by an unforeseen mechanical breakdown, electrical
4			breakdown, or structural defect that must be corrected to make a facility
5			or item of equipment usable;
6		(h)	"Disaster" means a fire, flood, tornado, other natural disaster, riot, enemy
7			attack, sabotage, explosion, power failure, energy shortage, transportation
8			emergency, or other man-caused disaster;
9		(i)	"Capital construction funds" means any funds used for capital construction,
10			including, but not limited to, appropriated capital construction funds, agency
11			funds, federal funds, private funds, or funds from any source held by an
12			agency for management or investment purposes; and
13		(j)	"Entity head" means the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the President of
14			the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the secretary of
15			the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the president of any university which
16			complies with KRS 164A.585, 164A.595, and 164A.600, the board of trustees
17			of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the board of trustees of the
18			Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky, the board of directors
19			of the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation, the board of
20			directors of the Kentucky Lottery Corporation, or the board of directors of the
21			Kentucky Housing Corporation.
22	(2)	Exce	ept as provided in subsection (3) of this section, KRS 45.760 to 45.810 shall
23		appl	y to capital projects and bonds for use by:
24		(a)	The state government;
25		(b)	One of its departments or agencies, as defined in KRS 12.010 or enumerated
26			in KRS 12.020;
27		(c)	A municipal corporation which exercises its authority on a statewide basis,

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including but not limited to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System,

Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky, Kentucky Higher

Education Student Loan Corporation, Kentucky Lottery Corporation, and

Kentucky Housing Corporation; and

- (d) Institutions of higher education.
- 6 (3) KRS 45.760 to 45.810 shall not apply to:

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- (a) Capital projects or bonds used directly in or for the construction or maintenance of roads, including but not limited to bulldozers, graders, earth movers, and real estate purchased for rights-of-way; and
 - (b) Political subdivisions, except for those defined in KRS 12.010, enumerated in KRS 12.020, or created as a municipal corporation which exercises its authority on a statewide basis including, but not limited to, the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky, Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation, Kentucky Lottery Corporation, Kentucky Housing Corporation, or any entity with a governing body whose membership is substantially similar to the membership of the governing body of a municipal corporation which exercises its authority on a statewide basis. However, the provisions of KRS 45.750 to 45.810 shall not apply to acquisition or maintenance of any building or land which is purchased as a legal investment by any of the state retirement systems, which is not to be occupied by the retirement system, and which is financed solely with those assets of the retirement system used for investment purposes.
 - → Section 2. KRS 164A.585 is amended to read as follows:
- 24 (1) Subject to authorization by the General Assembly and KRS 164A.580, the 25 governing boards may make plans and specifications, advertise for bids, let 26 contracts or incur any financing commitments, either in the way of a charge against 27 institution funds or in the way of negotiations for issuance of revenue bonds, for

any capital construction projects involving the improvement of lands or the construction, alteration, reconstruction, or major repair of any building or other structure, or sewage disposal, water supply system or other utility system.

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- Review of construction plans for conformance with the uniform state building code shall be conducted by the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction. The board shall not approve any such project requiring its approval in any instance where it finds that the project is not needed, or that the proposed method of financing is not sound, or in cases where the project will exceed the amount of the funds available therefor, or the work contemplated will be insufficient to accomplish the purpose of the project, or that after providing for the ordinary recurring expenses of administration and debt service and for payments under existing allotments for extraordinary expenses and capital outlay, cash will not be available in the Treasury to promptly pay for the work or that the work is to be done by employees of the institution.
- (3) Any capital construction project, except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, shall be contracted for on a competitive bid basis, and the execution of such contracts shall be approved and authorized by the board. When a capital construction project has been approved as provided in this section, in whole or in part, the board shall prepare the plans and specifications, advertise for bids, award the contracts, supervise the construction and handle the financial negotiations.
 - (a) The governing board shall ensure that every invitation for bids or request for proposals shall provide that an item equal to that named or described in the specifications may be furnished.
 - (b) The specifications may identify a sole brand in cases where, in the written opinion of the chief procurement officer, documented unique and valid conditions require compatibility, continuity, or conformity with established standards.

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(c)	An item shall be considered equal to the item named or described if, in the
	opinion of the governing board and the design professional responsible for the
	specifications:

- It is at least equal in quality, durability, strength, design, and other criteria deemed appropriate;
- 2. It will perform at least equally the function imposed by the general design for the public work being contracted for or the material being purchased; and
- 3. It conforms substantially to the detailed requirements for the item in the specifications.
- 12 (4) A capital construction project, the total cost of completion of which will not exceed
 12 five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)[two hundred fifty thousand dollars
 13 (\$250,000)], may be performed by the employees of the institution or by individuals
 14 hired specifically for the project. Necessary materials and supplies shall be procured
 15 in accordance with the standard purchasing procedures and policies of the board as
 16 defined in KRS 164A.575.
 - → Section 3. KRS 45A.695 is amended to read as follows:
- 18 (1) Except as provided in subsection (8) of this section, no one shall begin work on a
 19 personal service contract entered into by any contracting body or incur expenditures
 20 under a tax incentive agreement until notification of the personal service contract or
 21 tax incentive agreement is filed with the committee. Each personal service contract
 22 shall have a cancellation clause not to exceed thirty (30) days notice to the
 23 contractee.
 - (2) Each personal service contract, tax incentive agreement, and memorandum of agreement shall be filed with the committee prior to the effective date and shall be accompanied by a completed proof of necessity form as established by the committee by promulgation of an administrative regulation, or equivalent

information if submitted electronically. The proof of necessity form shall document:

- (a) The need for the service or benefit to the Commonwealth of the tax incentive agreement;
- (b) For personal service contracts and memoranda of agreement, the unavailability of state personnel or the nonfeasibility of utilizing state personnel to perform the service;
- 8 (c) The total projected cost of the contract or agreement and source of funding;
 - (d) The total projected duration of the contract or tax incentive agreement;
- 10 (e) Payment information, in detail;

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- 11 (f) In the case of memoranda of agreement or similar device, the reason for 12 exchanging resources or responsibilities; and
- 13 (g) Such other information as the committee deems appropriate.
- 14 (3) Adequate notice of the need for a personal service contract shall be given by the
 15 contracting body through a request for proposals. The request for proposals shall
 16 describe the services required, list the type of information and data required of each
 17 offeror, state the relative importance of particular qualifications, and include the
 18 reciprocal preference for resident bidders required by KRS 45A.494.
- 19 (4) The head of the contracting body or his or her designee may conduct discussions
 20 with any offeror who has submitted a proposal to determine the offeror's
 21 qualifications for further consideration. Discussions shall not disclose any
 22 information derived from proposals submitted by other offerors.
- 23 (5) Award shall be made to the offeror determined by the head of the contracting body, 24 or his or her designee, to be the best qualified of all offerors based on the evaluation 25 factors set forth in the request for proposals and the negotiation of fair and 26 reasonable compensation. If compensation cannot be agreed upon with the best 27 qualified offeror and if proposals were submitted by one (1) or more other offerors

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determined to be qualified, negotiations may be conducted with the other offeror or offerors in the order of their respective qualification ranking. In this case, the contract may be awarded to the next best ranked offeror for a fair and reasonable compensation. All determinations of the qualification rankings of offerors by the head of the contracting body or a designee of the officer based on evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals shall be made in writing. Written documentation shall be maintained concerning the final results of negotiation with each vendor and reasoning as to why each vendor was chosen.

- (6) The committee shall maintain a record or have readily accessible records of the date on which each personal service contract, tax incentive agreement, and memorandum of agreement was received and shall maintain or have access to electronic or paper files on all personal service contracts, tax incentive agreements, and memoranda of agreement. Except for records exempt from inspection under KRS 61.870 to 61.884, all personal service contracts, tax incentive agreements, and memoranda of agreement shall be made available for public inspection.
 - Payment on personal service contracts, tax incentive agreements, and memoranda of agreement submitted to the committee for approval shall not be made for services rendered or projects undertaken after committee disapproval, unless the decision of the committee is overridden by the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or agency head, if the agency has been granted delegation authority by the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet. All personal service contracts, tax incentive agreements, and memoranda of agreement shall contain a provision that stipulates that payments on personal service contracts and memoranda of agreement shall not be authorized for services rendered after committee disapproval, unless the decision of the committee is overridden by the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or agency head, if the agency has been granted delegation authority.

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(8)	In the event of a governmental emergency as defined under KRS 45A.690, work
	may begin prior to filing notification of the personal service contract with the
	committee, if the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or his or her
	designee determines that the time involved in the normal review process would be
	detrimental to the Commonwealth's ability to act or procure the services and the
	normal process will not accommodate the governmental emergency. Payment shall
	not be made until written notification and explanation of the reasons for this action
	are forwarded to the committee.

- 9 (9) If a governmental emergency exists as defined under KRS 45A.690 and work is authorized to begin on a personal service contact immediately, a copy of a statement, approved by the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or his *or her* designee, setting forth in detail the nature of the emergency shall be filed with the committee, along with a copy of the personal service contract.
- 14 (10) (a) No payment shall be made on any personal service contract unless the
 15 individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service
 16 contract submits <u>an[its]</u> invoice for payment <u>that contains the information</u>
 17 <u>required by paragraph (d) of this subsection[on a form established by the committee].</u>
 - (b) Invoices shall be submitted every ninety (90) days, unless the personal service contract specifies a different submission time period.
- 21 (c) Separate invoices shall be submitted for each distinct matter covered by the 22 personal service contract, and shall be signed by the individual responsible for 23 that matter.
- 24 (d) Each invoice shall contain the following information:
- 25 1. A description of the matter covered by the invoice;
- 26 2. The date each service was performed;
- 27 3. A full description of each service;

1		4. The name and title of each individual who worked on the matter, and the
2		time the individual spent on the matter;
3		5. The subject matter and recipient of any correspondence;
4		6. A full description of any work product produced, designating the way in
5		which the work product is associated with the matter being invoiced;
6		7. The hourly rate for each individual working on the matter, and the total
7		charge for that individual for each matter invoiced;
8		8. An itemized list of all disbursements to be reimbursed by the state for
9		each matter invoiced;
10		9. The total charge for each matter;
11		10. The combined total for services and disbursements for the billing period;
12		11. The tax identification number of the entity awarded the personal service
13		contract; and
14		12. An indication on each invoice of whether or not the invoice is final.
15	(e)	The issuance of an invoice to the Commonwealth constitutes an affirmation
16		by the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal
17		service contract that the invoice truly and accurately represents work actually
18		performed and expenses actually incurred.
19	(f)	The head of the contracting body shall approve the invoice, indicating that the
20		charges in the invoice reflect the value of the work performed, and all
21		recorded costs and disbursements were reasonably and necessarily incurred in
22		connection with the matter invoiced.
23	→ Se	ection 4. KRS 164.330 is amended to read as follows:
24	Each boa	ard of regents shall hold its first meeting within thirty (30) days after each
25	appointme	ent of new members.]At the first meeting of the board of regents following an
26	appointme	ent of a new member, unless the member was appointed to serve the
27	<u>remainder</u>	of an unexpired term, [this meeting] there shall be elected a vice chairperson

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and a secretary for the board. Each board shall appoint a treasurer, and such officers as it
deems necessary, but no member of any of the boards shall be appointed treasurer. No
member of any board shall draw any salary for his <u>or her</u> services, but shall be
reimbursed for necessary expenditures made in going to and from each meeting of the
board and for other legitimate expenses, except a member who resides outside the
Commonwealth shall not be reimbursed for out-of-state travel. The expenses shall be
paid out of the funds of the appropriate institution.

- → Section 5. KRS 61.661 is amended to read as follows:
- 9 (1) (a) Each current, former, or retired member's account shall be administered in a 10 confidential manner, and specific data regarding a current, former, or retired 11 member shall not be released for publication, except that:
 - 1. The member or recipient may authorize the release of his or her account information;
 - 2. The Kentucky Public Pensions Authority <u>shall</u>[may] release account information to the employer or to other state and federal agencies as it deems necessary or in response to a lawful subpoena or order issued by a court of law, except that the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority shall be required to release account information to the employer as required by KRS 61.565(1)(d)1.b.; or
 - 3. a. Upon request by any person, the systems shall release the following information from the accounts of any member or retired member of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the County Employees Retirement System, or the State Police Retirement System, if the member or retired member is a current or former officeholder in the Kentucky General Assembly:
 - i. The first and last name of the member or retired member;
 - ii. The system or systems in which the member has an account

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1					or from which the retired member is receiving a monthly
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3				iii.	The status of the member or retired member, including but
4					not limited to whether he or she is a contributing member, a
5					member who is not currently contributing to the systems but
6					has not retired, a retired member, or a retired member who
7					has returned to work following retirement with an agency
8					participating in the systems;
9				iv.	If the individual is a retired member, the monthly retirement
10					allowance that he or she was receiving at the end of the most
11					recently completed fiscal year;
12				v.	If the individual is a member who has not yet retired, the
13					estimated monthly retirement allowance that he or she is
14					eligible to receive at his or her normal retirement date based
15					upon his or her service credit, final compensation, and
16					accumulated account balance at the end of the most recently
17					completed fiscal year; and
18				vi.	The current employer or last participating employer of the
19					member or retired member, if applicable.
20			b.	No i	nformation shall be disclosed under this subparagraph from an
21				acco	unt that is paying benefits to a beneficiary due to the death of
22				a me	ember or retired member.
23		(b)	A current	, forn	ner, or retired member's account shall be exempt from the
24			provisions	of K	RS 171.410 to 171.990.
25		(c)	The releas	se of i	nformation under paragraph (a)3. of this subsection shall not
26			constitute	a viol	ation of the Open Records Act, KRS 61.870 to 61.884.
27	(2)	(a)	When a su	ıbnoe	na is served upon any employee of the Kentucky Retirement

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Systems, the County Employees Retirement System, or the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority, requiring production of any specific data regarding a current, former, or retired member, it is sufficient if the employee of the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority charged with the responsibility of being custodian of the original delivers within five (5) working days, by certified mail or by personal delivery, legible and durable copies of records, certified by the employee, or an affidavit stating the information required by the subpoena to the person specified in the subpoena. The production of documents or an affidavit shall be in lieu of any personal testimony of any employee of the Kentucky Retirement Systems, the County Employees Retirement System, or the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority, unless, after the production of documents or affidavit, a separate subpoena is served upon the systems or the Authority specifically directing the testimony of an employee of the systems or of the Authority. When a subpoena is served on any employee of the systems or of the Authority requiring the employee to give deposition for any purpose, in the absence of a court order requiring the deposition of a specific employee, the systems or the Authority may designate an employee to be deposed upon the matter referred to in the subpoena.

- (b) The certification required by this subsection shall be signed before a notary public by the employee and shall include the full name of the member or recipient, the member's or recipient's Social Security number, and a legend substantially to the following effect: "The records are true and complete reproductions of the original or microfiched records which are housed in the retirement systems office. This certification is given in lieu of his or her personal appearance."
- (c) When an affidavit or copies of records are personally delivered, a receipt shall be presented to the person receiving the records for his or her signature and

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shall be immediately signed and returned to the person delivering the records.

When an affidavit or copies of records are sent via certified mail, the receipt used by the postal authorities shall be sufficient to prove delivery and receipt of the affidavit or copies of records.

- (d) When the affidavit or copies of records are delivered to a party for use in deposition, they shall, after termination of the deposition, be delivered personally or by certified mail to the clerk of the court or other body before which the action or proceeding is pending. It shall be the responsibility of the party or attorney to transmit the receipt obtained to the employee of the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority charged with responsibility of being custodian of the original. Upon issuance of a final order terminating the case and after the normal retention period for court records expires, the affidavit or copies of records shall be permanently disposed of by the clerk in a manner that protects the confidentiality of the information contained therein.
- (e) Records of the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority that are susceptible to photostatic reproduction may be proved as to foundation, identity, and authenticity without any preliminary testimony, by use of legible and durable copies, certified in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.
- → Section 6. KRS 61.880 is amended to read as follows:

(1) If a person enforces KRS 61.870 to 61.884 pursuant to this section, he or she shall begin enforcement under this subsection before proceeding to enforcement under subsection (2) of this section. Each public agency, upon any request for records made under KRS 61.870 to 61.884, shall determine within five (5) days, excepting Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, after the receipt of any such request whether to comply with the request and shall notify in writing the person making the request, within the five (5) day period, of its decision. An agency response denying, in whole or in part, inspection of any record shall include a statement of

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the specific exception authorizing the withholding of the record and a brief explanation of how the exception applies to the record withheld. The response shall be issued by the official custodian or under his or her authority, and it shall constitute final agency action.

- (a) If a complaining party wishes the Attorney General to review a public agency's denial of a request to inspect a public record, the complaining party shall forward to the Attorney General a copy of the written request and a copy of the written response denying inspection within sixty (60) days from receipt by that party of the written response. If the public agency refuses to provide a written response, a complaining party shall provide a copy of the written request within sixty (60) days from the deadline for the public agency's written response under subsection (1) of this section. The Attorney General shall review the request and denial and issue within twenty (20) days, excepting Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, a written decision stating whether the agency violated provisions of KRS 61.870 to 61.884.
- (b) In unusual circumstances, the Attorney General may extend the twenty (20) day time limit by sending written notice to the complaining party and a copy to the denying agency, setting forth the reasons for the extension, and the day on which a decision is expected to be issued, which shall not exceed an additional thirty (30) work days, excepting Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. As used in this section, "unusual circumstances" means, but only to the extent reasonably necessary to the proper resolution of an appeal:
 - The need to obtain additional documentation from the agency or a copy of the records involved;
 - 2. The need to conduct extensive research on issues of first impression; or
 - 3. An unmanageable increase in the number of appeals received by the Attorney General.

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(c)	On the day that the Attorney General renders his or her decision, he or she
	shall mail a copy to the agency and a copy to the person who requested the
	record in question. The burden of proof in sustaining the action shall rest with
	the agency, and the Attorney General may request additional documentation
	from the agency for substantiation. The Attorney General may also request a
	copy of the records involved, but they shall not be disclosed.

- Each agency shall notify the Attorney General of any actions filed against that (3) agency in Circuit Court regarding the enforcement of KRS 61.870 to 61.884. The Attorney General shall not, however, be named as a party in any Circuit Court actions regarding the enforcement of KRS 61.870 to 61.884, nor shall he or she have any duty to defend his or her decision in Circuit Court or any subsequent proceedings.
- If a person feels the intent of KRS 61.870 to 61.884 is being subverted by an agency short of denial of inspection, including but not limited to the imposition of excessive fees, delay past the five (5) day period described in subsection (1) of this section, excessive extensions of time, or the misdirection of the applicant, the person may complain in writing to the Attorney General, and the complaint shall be subject to the same adjudicatory process as if the record had been denied.
- (5) A party shall have thirty (30) days from the day that the Attorney General (a) 20 renders his or her decision to appeal the decision. An appeal within the thirty (30) day time limit shall be treated as if it were an action brought under KRS 61.882.
 - If an appeal is not filed within the thirty (30) day time limit, the Attorney General's decision shall have the force and effect of law and shall be enforceable in the Circuit Court of the county where the public agency has its principal place of business or the Circuit Court of the county where the public record is maintained.

1		→Se	ection 7. KRS 164.952 is amended to read as follows:
2	(1)	As u	sed in this section:
3		(a)	"Police officer" has the same meaning as "police officer" in KRS 15.420, as
4			"police officer" in KRS 164.950 to 164.980, and as "officer" in KRS 16.010;
5			and
6		(b)	"Postsecondary institution" means any public institution of postsecondary
7			education authorized to establish a police department pursuant to KRS
8			164.950 to 164.980 that participates in the Kentucky Employees Retirement
9			System.
10	(2)	[Sub	ject to the limitations of subsection (7) of this section,]A postsecondary
11		instit	cution may employ individuals as police officers under this section who have
12		retire	ed from the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the County Employees
13		Retir	rement System, or the State Police Retirement System.
14	(3)	To b	e eligible for employment under this section, an individual shall have:
15		(a)	Participated in the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund under KRS
16			15.410 to 15.510, retired as a commissioned officer pursuant to KRS Chapter
17			16, or retired as a police officer from a postsecondary institution;
18		(b)	Retired with at least twenty (20) years of service credit;
19		(c)	Been separated from service for the period required by KRS 61.637 or
20			78.5540 so that the member's retirement is not voided;
21		(d)	Retired with no administrative charges pending; and
22		(e)	Retired with no preexisting agreement between the individual and the
23			postsecondary institution prior to the individual's retirement for the individual
24			to return to work for the postsecondary institution.
25	(4)	Indiv	riduals employed under this section shall:
26		(a)	Serve for a term not to exceed one (1) year. The one (1) year employment

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term may be renewed annually at the discretion of the employing

1			postsecondary institution;
2		(b)	Receive compensation according to the standard procedures applicable to the
3			employing postsecondary institution; and
4		(c)	Be employed based upon need as determined by the employing postsecondary
5			institution.
6	(5)	Not	withstanding any provisions of KRS 16.505 to 16.652, 18A.225 to 18A.2287,
7		61.5	510 to 61.705, or 78.510 to 78.852 to the contrary:
8		(a)	Individuals employed under this section shall continue to receive all
9			retirement and health insurance benefits to which they were entitled upon
10			retiring in the applicable system administered by Kentucky Retirement
11			Systems;
12		(b)	Individuals employed under this section shall not be eligible to receive health
13			insurance coverage through the employing postsecondary institution;
14		(c)	The postsecondary institution shall not pay any employer contributions or
15			retiree health expense reimbursements to the Kentucky Retirement Systems
16			required by KRS 61.637(17) for individuals employed under this section; and
17		(d)	The postsecondary institution shall not pay any insurance contributions to the
18			state health insurance plan, as provided by KRS 18A.225 to 18A.2287, for
19			individuals employed under this section.
20	(6)	Indi	viduals employed under this section shall be subject to any legislative due
21		proc	eess provisions applicable to police officers of the employing postsecondary
22		insti	tution. A decision not to renew a one (1) year appointment term under this
23		secti	ion shall not be considered a disciplinary action or deprivation subject to due
24		proc	eess. [
25	(7)	The	number of retired police officers a postsecondary institution may hire under the
26		prov	visions of this section shall be limited to five (5) retired police officers or a
27		num	aber equal to twenty five percent (25%) of the police officers employed by the

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1 postsecondary institution in calendar year 2018, whichever is greater.]