

1 AN ACT establishing the School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers Program.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 157 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) As used in this section:*

6 *(a) "Classroom teacher user" means a certified teacher who a school district*
7 *identifies to the department as being employed primarily to provide*
8 *instruction to students and who is granted a user account on the online*
9 *commerce platform to make purchases from the online school supplies*
10 *vendor;*

11 *(b) "Department" means the Kentucky Department of Education;*

12 *(c) "Online" means conducted electronically through the internet; and*

13 *(d) "Online school supplies vendor" means an online vendor that has been*
14 *selected by the department to provide school supplies to eligible classroom*
15 *teacher users under this section.*

16 *(2) The School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers Program is hereby established to*
17 *provide eligible classroom teacher users with financial and technical support in*
18 *purchasing school supplies for use in Kentucky's public schools and subject to*
19 *availability of funds for that purpose appropriated by the General Assembly.*

20 *(3) To implement the program, the Kentucky Board of Education shall:*

21 *(a) Adopt policies and promulgate administrative regulations necessary to:*

22 *1. Provide for the allocation and management of funds appropriated for*
23 *the program, the operation of the online commerce platform, and the*
24 *use by individual classroom teacher users;*

25 *2. Ensure that purchases made with program funds are restricted to only*
26 *purchases made by classroom teacher users from the program's online*
27 *school supplies vendors; and*

- 1 3. Require each school district to report teachers who are eligible to be
- 2 classroom teacher users to the department for participation in the
- 3 program; and
- 4 (b) Direct the department to enter into one (1) or more contracts in accordance
- 5 with KRS Chapter 45A:
- 6 1. For the development and operation of a user-friendly online
- 7 commerce platform that:
- 8 a. Processes the allocation of funds to individual classroom teacher
- 9 user accounts for the online purchase of school supplies from an
- 10 online school supplies vendor;
- 11 b. Includes appropriate fiscal management and payment systems,
- 12 reporting tools, training tools, and other requirements identified
- 13 by the board;
- 14 c. Reports purchases made by a classroom teacher user to a school
- 15 or district administrator designated by the district; and
- 16 d. Provides technical assistance to public schools and classroom
- 17 teacher users on using the platform and identifying allowable
- 18 purchases from an online school supplies vendor; and
- 19 2. To select one (1) or more online school supplies vendors for the
- 20 program, the products that a vendor shall offer, and to establish a
- 21 price list for the products.

22 ➔Section 2. This Act may be cited as the School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers
 23 Act.