

1           A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Kentucky Office of the Attorney General to  
2 create the Threat Response and Accountability Task Force to determine the chain of  
3 command and accountability matrix for a critical incident and declaring an emergency.

4           WHEREAS, while global tensions are high and terror attacks have impacted our  
5 nation in recent months, we have seen a breakdown in command and accountability  
6 within our law enforcement and public protection community; and

7           WHEREAS, the command structure and accountability matrix are vital in  
8 protecting against and responding to terror threats and attacks; and

9           WHEREAS, the caliber of talent and resources within our Commonwealth are vast,  
10 but without a clear chain of command or accountability, the citizens are less protected  
11 and vital lessons cannot be learned for future events; and

12           WHEREAS, a threat exists with the influx of illegal immigrants across our borders,  
13 several of whom are on the terror watchlist and whose ideology is antithetical to our  
14 nation's foundational principals; and

15           WHEREAS, the safety of the Commonwealth and its citizens is of the utmost  
16 importance;

17           NOW, THEREFORE,

18 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

19           ➔Section 1. (1)     The Office of the Attorney General is directed to create the  
20 Threat Response and Accountability Task Force to:

21           (a) Determine the chain of command, a structure of response, and an  
22 accountability matrix before, during, and after a critical incident or terror attack;

23           (b) Identify indicators that are useful and necessary in conducting an assessment  
24 of the risks of communication, technical, and structural failure during a critical incident  
25 or terror attack;

26           (c) Identify potential intervention methods to respond to failures in a  
27 collaborative manner between state and local entities;

1 (d) Identify process, procedural, and legislative changes that may mitigate failure  
2 or improve the threat response to a critical incident or terror attack or to otherwise  
3 provide for a continuity of protection of the Commonwealth; and

4 (e) Prepare a report that outlines potential measures to ensure the safety of the  
5 Commonwealth during a critical incident or terror attack, including a chain of command  
6 and accountability matrix for each type of attack, key areas of risk, and recommended  
7 policy or legislative solutions.

8 (2) The Threat Response and Accountability Task Force shall accomplish the  
9 directives set forth in subsection (1) of this section and be composed of:

10 (a) A representative of each of the following entities, appointed by the Attorney  
11 General:

- 12 1. The Department of Military Affairs;
- 13 2. The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security's Intelligence Fusion Center;
- 14 3. The Department of Kentucky State Police;
- 15 4. The Division of Emergency Management;
- 16 5. The Transportation Cabinet;
- 17 6. The Kentucky State Fair Board;
- 18 7. The Kentucky Derby Festival;
- 19 8. The Kentucky League of Cities; and
- 20 9. The Kentucky Association of Counties;

21 (b) Two members of the Kentucky Senate appointed by the President of the  
22 Senate;

23 (c) Two members of the Kentucky House of Representatives appointed by the  
24 Speaker of the House; and

25 (d) Any other entity or individual whose involvement is deemed necessary by the  
26 office to accomplish the goals of the task force, appointed by the Attorney General.

27 (3) The Threat Response and Accountability Task Force shall meet no less than

1 twice every three months.

2 (4) The Office of the Attorney General shall no later than January 1, 2026, submit  
3 a report to the Legislative Research Commission, which shall refer the report to the  
4 Interim Joint Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection. That report  
5 shall include a summary of the Threat Response and Accountability Task Force's  
6 conclusions relative to the purposes outlined in subsection (1) of this section and may  
7 include any other information that the task force deems useful or otherwise informative to  
8 the committee.

9 ➔Section 2. Whereas, the safety of the Commonwealth and its citizens is of the  
10 utmost importance and the Office of the Attorney General will require time to assemble  
11 the Threat Response and Accountability Task Force prior to the report deadlines, an  
12 emergency is declared to exist, and this Resolution takes effect upon its passage and  
13 approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.