

1       AN ACT relating to a performing arts career pathway.

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

3           ➔Section 1. KRS 158.814 is amended to read as follows:

4       (1) In order to ensure that high-quality, relevant secondary career and technical  
5       programs are available to students in all school districts that enable them to gain the  
6       academic and technical skills to meet high school graduation requirements and for  
7       successful transition to postsecondary education, work, or the military and to  
8       support present-day and future needs of Kentucky employers, the Department of  
9       Education shall:

10      (a) Review and revise as needed the equipment and facilities standards for each  
11       career and technical education program identified and described in the career  
12       and technical education supplement to the Kentucky program of studies and  
13       published by the Department of Education; and

14      (b) Determine the statewide unmet needs for career and technical education  
15       capital projects, including renovations and expansions of existing facilities  
16       and the construction of new technology centers, through a needs assessment  
17       process. This process shall be tied to specific criteria in determining if the  
18       current programs or career pathways offered in locally and state-operated  
19       facilities are appropriate for the students in the school districts served as well  
20       as for determining if new programs are needed. The statewide assessment of  
21       capital needs for career and technical education shall be incorporated into the  
22       local school district facility plan as required by KRS 157.420. The Kentucky  
23       Board of Education shall incorporate criteria within the administrative  
24       regulations relating to school facility plan requirements to prioritize need for  
25       career and technical education programming, regardless of whether the  
26       programs are locally or state-operated.

27      (2) **The Kentucky Department of Education shall develop a career pathway or a**

1        *program within a career pathway focused on education in performing arts to be*  
2        *offered in locally and state-operated career and technical education programs.*

3        (3) The Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee established in KRS  
4        156.806 shall be consulted in carrying out the requirements of this section.