

1 AN ACT relating to the judiciary.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 27A.100 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) There is hereby created a Judicial Council composed of the following persons:

5 **(a)** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or his **or her** designee from among
6 the members of **the Supreme Court**~~[that court]~~;

7 **(b)** The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals or his **or her** designee from among
8 the members of **the Court of Appeals**~~[that court]~~;

9 **(c)** Four (4) Circuit Judges, and four (4) District Judges, all of whom shall be
10 appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;

11 **(d)** The president of the Kentucky Association of Circuit Court Clerks;

12 **(e)** Three (3) members of the State Bar of Kentucky who shall be appointed by its
13 board of governors; and

14 **(f)** The **chairs**~~[chairmen]~~ of the Judiciary Committees of the House of
15 Representatives and of the Senate, or the vice **chair**~~[chairman]~~ of **either**~~[any]~~
16 of these committees if the **chair**~~[chairman]~~ declines to serve.

17 (2) **(a)** The appointed members shall serve for a term of four (4) years **or**~~[and]~~ until
18 their successors are appointed and qualify.

19 **(b)** Vacancies in the office of appointed members shall be filled by the original
20 appointing authority.

21 (3) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall be the **chair**~~[chairman]~~ of the council,
22 or if **the Chief Justice**~~[he]~~ is not a member or declines to serve as **chair**~~[chairman]~~,
23 a member of the council shall be appointed by **the Chief Justice**~~[him]~~ to serve as
24 **chair**~~[chairman]~~.

25 **(4)** The ~~[administrative]~~ director of the **Administrative Office of the Courts**~~[courts]~~
26 shall serve as secretary.