

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Legislative Research Commission and state
2 agencies to collaborate to create a statewide fiscal map of substance use disorder
3 programs and funding sources.

4 WHEREAS, Kentucky invests hundreds of millions of dollars annually in programs
5 related to substance use disorder (SUD), including treatment, prevention, recovery
6 housing, workforce reentry, education, criminal justice diversion, opioid abatement, and
7 recovery support services and efforts; and

8 WHEREAS, SUD program funding stems from numerous sources at the federal,
9 state, and local levels, but there is not a centralized mechanism to map, coordinate, or
10 evaluate how the funding streams work together; and

11 WHEREAS, the fragmentation of the SUD funding streams makes it difficult for
12 legislators to understand the full landscape of investments and how to strategically direct
13 new resources; and

14 WHEREAS, opportunities provided by Kentucky's historic opioid abatement
15 settlement funds increase the urgency for clear, coordinated planning to address SUDs;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, SUD agencies often track their own funding but are rarely able to
18 visualize how their work fits in the statewide picture of funding streams and programs;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, a SUD fiscal map would help support better policy design, budgeting,
21 investment, accountability, and outcome measurement of SUD programs; and

22 WHEREAS, a SUD fiscal map could facilitate the creation of a data collection
23 system that would help shift statewide SUD treatment toward a sustainable, whole-person
24 payment model with coordinated SUD services and shared outcomes for program
25 improvements;

26 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

1 ➔Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission and state agencies are
2 directed to collaborate to create a statewide fiscal map of substance use disorder (SUD)
3 programs and funding sources, as follows:

4 (1) The Legislative Research Commission shall organize and conduct necessary
5 actions to complete the statewide fiscal map. The following state agencies shall
6 collaborate with LRC to create the statewide fiscal map:

7 (a) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services;

8 (b) The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet;

9 (c) The Department of Education;

10 (d) The Education and Labor Cabinet;

11 (e) The Office of the Attorney General;

12 (f) The Administrative Office of the Courts; and

13 (g) Any other state agencies identified as participating in or receiving funding for
14 SUD programs;

15 (2) For the purpose of the statewide SUD fiscal map, SUD programs shall include
16 but not be limited to treatment, prevention, recovery housing, workforce reentry,
17 education, criminal justice diversion, opioid abatement, and recovery support services
18 and efforts;

19 (3) The statewide fiscal map shall:

20 (a) Detail all current SUD program-related funding sources, amounts, and uses;

21 (b) Provide an inventory of all SUD programs that includes for each program its
22 funding sources, services provided, eligibility rules, and service capacities; and

23 (c) Identify SUD service duplications, fragmentation, unmet needs, and gaps;

24 (4) The statewide SUD fiscal map shall be posted on the Legislative Research
25 Commission's website by October 30, 2026; and

26 (5) In consultation with the collaborating state agencies, the Legislative Research
27 Commission shall submit a report to the General Assembly by October 30, 2026, that

1 includes:

2 (a) A detailed summary of the SUD fiscal map; and

3 (b) Options to consider for establishing a statewide plan to optimize future
4 decisions for SUD programs and funding.

5 ➔Section 2. Provisions of this Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding, the
6 Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the
7 issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and to
8 designate a study completion date.