

1 AN ACT relating to actions of the General Assembly and declaring an emergency.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 6 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) The President of the Senate on behalf of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of*
6 *Representatives on behalf of the House of Representatives, or the President of the*
7 *Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives jointly on behalf of the*
8 *General Assembly, may intervene as a matter of right in any action or proceeding*
9 *challenging the constitutionality or validity of any legislative act or any*
10 *Kentucky:*

11 *(a) Statute;*

12 *(b) Executive order;*

13 *(c) Administrative regulation; or*

14 *(d) Order of any cabinet, program cabinet, department, or administrative body.*

15 *(2) Nothing in this section is intended to waive, nor shall it be construed, interpreted,*
16 *or applied to waive or abrogate in any way, any legislative or other immunity or*
17 *legislative or other privilege of the General Assembly or the Legislative Research*
18 *Commission, or any member or staff of the General Assembly or the Legislative*
19 *Research Commission, as provided by the Constitution or laws of the United*
20 *States or the Constitution or laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.*

21 *(3) In all matters relating to the General Assembly or its members and staff,*
22 *legislative immunity and legislative privilege shall be applied and interpreted as*
23 *broadly as constitutionally permissible and shall remain inviolate unless*
24 *specifically and explicitly waived by the member of the General Assembly*
25 *invoking the privilege.*

26 ➔Section 2. Because there are existing court cases relating to legislative action of
27 the General Assembly that are ongoing, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act

- 1 takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise
- 2 becoming a law.