

1 AN ACT relating to respirator masks in health facilities.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 216 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a health facility, as*
6 *defined in KRS 216B.015, shall require employees, visitors, and patients to wear*
7 *respirator masks approved by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and*
8 *Health while inside the facility.*

9 *(2) Exemptions from wearing a mask in a health facility shall include but not be*
10 *limited to when an employee, visitor, or patient is:*

11 *(a) Eating in the cafeteria;*

12 *(b) Alone in a hospital room;*

13 *(c) Being treated with a ventilator or other breathing apparatus; or*

14 *(d) In a courtyard or other outdoor space within or around the health facility.*