

1 AN ACT relating to law enforcement.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 16.070 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) The commissioner is the head and chief executive officer of the department. He or
5 she shall provide for himself or herself, each officer of the department, and each
6 individual employed as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class, under the provisions of
7 KRS 45A.045 to 45A.650, such uniforms, equipment, and facilities, including
8 motor vehicles, necessary to the performance of their respective duties, but all
9 uniforms, equipment, and facilities, including motor vehicles, shall remain the
10 property of the Commonwealth. The commissioner may sell through the Finance
11 and Administration Cabinet, under the provisions of KRS 45A.045 to 45A.650,
12 such uniforms, equipment, and facilities, including motor vehicles, as become unfit
13 for use, and all moneys received therefrom shall be paid into the State Treasury and
14 credited to a revolving fund to be used by the department.
- 15 (2) The commissioner shall keep an inventory and shall charge against each officer and
16 each individual employed as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class the value of all
17 property of the department issued to him or her, and if it is determined by the
18 commissioner that any loss or destruction of property was due to the carelessness or
19 neglect of an officer or an individual employed as a Trooper R Class, then the value
20 of the property shall be deducted from the pay of the officer or the individual
21 employed as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class.
- 22 (3) By agreement with the commissioner of highways of the Commonwealth, the
23 commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police may provide for the
24 leasing of motor vehicles and accessories thereto, radio facilities and equipment,
25 office equipment, and other property or facilities, upon such terms and conditions
26 and for such compensation as said agreement may provide. The commissioner of
27 highways and the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police may

1 further provide, by agreement, for the service and repair at any state garage of
2 motor vehicles or accessories thereto which are owned, operated, or rented by the
3 department, upon such terms and conditions and for such compensation as said
4 agreement may provide. Subject to KRS Chapter 42, the department is authorized,
5 by lease or purchase, to acquire, maintain, and operate motor vehicles, and the
6 officers of said department, including the commissioner and individuals employed
7 as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class, are authorized and empowered to operate
8 such motor vehicles in the course of their duties, and in carrying out the purposes,
9 responsibilities, and functions provided for in KRS 16.010 to 16.170.

10 (4) The commissioner shall establish local headquarters so as to best distribute the
11 officers, individuals employed as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class, and
12 employees of the department throughout the various sections of the Commonwealth
13 where they will be most efficient in carrying out the provisions of KRS 16.010 to
14 16.199. *The commissioner shall establish a local headquarters in the most*
15 *populous county in the Commonwealth.*