

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing a working group to examine  
2 Kentucky's existing legislative framework for public charter schools and submit  
3 recommended changes to improve the implementation of public charter schools in the  
4 Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Kentucky enacted a legislative framework  
6 recognizing public charter schools within the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

7 WHEREAS, the General Assembly wishes to examine the existing legislative  
8 framework to determine what changes could be made to improve Kentucky's  
9 implementation of public charter schools within the public school system;

10 NOW, THEREFORE,

11 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*  
12 *Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Senate concurring therein:*

13 ➔Section 1. (1) The Legislative Research Commission is hereby directed to  
14 establish the Public Charter School Legislative Working Group to:

15 (a) Review the existing legislative framework for the authorization, governance,  
16 funding, and operation of public charter schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

17 (b) Compare the current legislative framework to public charter school policies  
18 enacted in other states that have successfully implemented public charter schools within  
19 their public school systems;

20 (c) Identify best legislative practices for implementation of public charter schools  
21 within the public school system; and

22 (d) Develop and submit to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1,  
23 2022, any recommendations and changes the task force may adopt relating to  
24 improvements that could be made to the Commonwealth of Kentucky's existing  
25 legislative framework for public charter schools to improve the implementation of public  
26 charter schools.

27 (2) The Public Charter School Legislative Working Group shall be composed of

1 the following members, with final membership of the task force being subject to the  
2 consideration and approval of the Legislative Research Commission:

3 (a) Three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the  
4 Speaker of the House, one of whom shall be designated to serve as co-chair;

5 (b) Three members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate,  
6 one of whom shall be designated to serve as co-chair;

7 (c) Two members nominated by the Kentucky Superintendents Association, one  
8 of whom manages a district with less than 7,500 students and the other of whom manages  
9 a district with more than 7,500 students;

10 (d) One member nominated by the Kentucky School Boards Association;

11 (e) One member nominated by the Kentucky Association of School  
12 Administrators;

13 (f) One member who is a licensed social worker and serves as a homeless liaison  
14 in a Kentucky public school district nominated by the commissioner of the Department  
15 for Community Based Services;

16 (g) One member who is a certified teacher nominated by the commissioner of  
17 education; and

18 (h) One member with experience with charter school policy located outside of  
19 Commonwealth of Kentucky nominated by the commissioner of education.

20 (3) Provisions of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, the Legislative  
21 Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the issues identified  
22 herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and to designate a study  
23 completion date.