

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to school safety.

2 WHEREAS, the first right recognized under Section 1 of the Kentucky Constitution
3 is the right of enjoying and defending lives and liberties; and

4 WHEREAS, an essential duty of the Commonwealth is protecting the lives of our
5 children; and

6 WHEREAS, providing security of our public schools will help ensure the safety of
7 our children; and

8 WHEREAS, more information is needed in order to better guide the General
9 Assembly's efforts to provide security to our public schools;

10 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

12 ➔Section 1. The General Assembly does hereby direct the Commissioner of
13 Education, with the assistance of the Kentucky Center for School Safety, to conduct a
14 statewide survey to gather data on steps each school has taken to ensure students' safety,
15 including but not limited to utilization of surveillance systems, secure entry systems,
16 trainings, and school resource officers.

17 ➔Section 2. The Commissioner of Education shall submit a report to the Interim
18 Joint Committee on Education by no later than November 1, 2018, that details the results
19 of the survey.

20 ➔Section 3. Copies of this Joint Resolution shall be sent by the Clerk of the
21 House of Representatives to Mr. Stephen Pruitt, Commissioner of Education, 300 Sower
22 Boulevard, 5th Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601 and to Mr. Jon Akers, Executive Director of
23 the Kentucky Center for School Safety, 111 Stratton Building, Eastern Kentucky
24 University, 521 Lancaster Avenue, Richmond, KY 40475.