

1 AN ACT relating to public charter school authorizer training and declaring an  
2 emergency.

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

4 ➔Section 1. KRS 160.180 is amended to read as follows:

- 5 (1) As used in this section, "relative" means father, mother, brother, sister, husband,  
6 wife, son, and daughter.
- 7 (2) No person shall be eligible for membership on a board of education:
- 8 (a) Unless he has attained the age of twenty-four (24) years; and
- 9 (b) Unless he has been a citizen of Kentucky for at least three (3) years preceding  
10 his election and is a voter of the district for which he is elected; and
- 11 (c) Unless he has completed at least the twelfth grade or has been issued a High  
12 School Equivalency Diploma; and
- 13 (d) Unless an affidavit signed under penalty of perjury certifying completion of  
14 the twelfth grade or the equivalent as determined by passage of the twelfth  
15 grade equivalency examination held under regulations adopted by the  
16 Kentucky Board of Education has been filed with the nominating petition  
17 required by KRS 118.315; and
- 18 (e) For a candidate who files a nominating petition as required by KRS 118.315  
19 on or after April 4, 2018, unless a transcript evidencing completion of the  
20 twelfth grade or results of a twelfth grade equivalency examination has been  
21 filed with the nominating petition; or
- 22 (f) Who holds any elective federal, state, county, or city office; or
- 23 (g) Who, at the time of his election, is directly or indirectly interested in the sale  
24 to the board of books, stationery, or any other property, materials, supplies,  
25 equipment, or services for which school funds are expended; or
- 26 (h) Who has been removed from membership on a board of education for cause;  
27 or

- 1 (i) Who has a relative as defined in subsection (1) of this section employed by the  
2 school district and is elected after July 13, 1990. However, this shall not apply  
3 to a board member holding office on July 13, 1990, whose relative was not  
4 initially hired by the district during the tenure of the board member.
- 5 (3) If, after the election of any member of the board, he becomes interested in any  
6 contract with or claims against the board, of the kind mentioned in paragraph (g) of  
7 subsection (2) of this section, or if he moves his residence from the district for  
8 which he was chosen, or if he attempts to influence the hiring of any school  
9 employee, except the superintendent of schools or school board attorney, or if he  
10 does anything that would render him ineligible for reelection, he shall be subject to  
11 removal from office pursuant to KRS 415.050 and 415.060.
- 12 (4) A board member shall be eligible for reelection unless he becomes disqualified.
- 13 (5) The annual in-service training requirements for all school board members in office  
14 as of December 31, 2014, shall be as follows:
- 15 (a) Twelve (12) hours for school board members with zero to three (3) years of  
16 experience;
- 17 (b) Eight (8) hours for school board members with four (4) to seven (7) years of  
18 experience; and
- 19 (c) Four (4) hours for school board members with eight (8) or more years of  
20 experience.
- 21 The Kentucky Board of Education shall identify the criteria for fulfilling this  
22 requirement.
- 23 (6) (a) For all board members who begin their initial service on or after January 1,  
24 2015, the annual in-service training requirements shall be twelve (12) hours  
25 for school board members with zero to eight (8) years of experience and eight  
26 (8) hours for school board members with more than eight (8) years of  
27 experience.

- 1 (b) Training topics for school board members shall include:
- 2 1. Three (3) hours of finance, one (1) hour of ethics, and one (1) hour of
- 3 superintendent evaluation annually for members with zero to three (3)
- 4 years' experience;
- 5 2. Two (2) hours of finance, one (1) hour of ethics, and one (1) hour of
- 6 superintendent evaluation annually for members with four (4) to seven
- 7 (7) years' experience; and
- 8 3. One (1) hour of finance, one (1) hour of ethics, and one (1) hour of
- 9 superintendent evaluation biennially for members with eight (8) or more
- 10 years' experience.

- 11 **(c) 1. Except as provided by subparagraph 2. of this paragraph, no training**
- 12 **relating to being a public charter school authorizer shall be required**
- 13 **of the members of a school board.**
- 14 **2. Unless a member has already received the training required under this**
- 15 **subparagraph within the previous calendar year, when a school board**
- 16 **receives a charter application pursuant to KRS 160.1594 the members**
- 17 **of the school board shall receive six (6) hours of training relating to**
- 18 **public charter school authorizing, application evaluation, and**
- 19 **oversight during the sixty (60) day application review period. The**
- 20 **school board shall select the trainer to provide the required training.**
- 21 **Beginning with the effective date of this Act, trainings conducted to**
- 22 **satisfy this requirement shall be in addition to any other annual**
- 23 **training required for local boards pursuant to this section.**

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25 requirement.

26 ➔Section 2. Whereas local boards of education have limited resources of time and

27 funding and must be allowed to prioritize in-service training to the most important and

1 impactful topics local boards face, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes  
2 effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a  
3 law.