

1 AN ACT relating to sessions of the General Assembly.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 6 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

- 5 *(1) Regular sessions of the General Assembly in odd-numbered years shall consist of*
6 *thirty (30) legislative days, and the use of these thirty (30) days shall not extend*
7 *beyond March 31.*
- 8 *(2) Regular sessions of the General Assembly in even-numbered years shall consist*
9 *of sixty (60) legislative days, and the use of these sixty (60) days shall not extend*
10 *beyond April 15.*
- 11 *(3) Should the General Assembly reconvene upon Joint Proclamation of the*
12 *President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the*
13 *General Assembly shall meet for no more than twelve (12) legislative days, during*
14 *which time no less than four (4) legislative days shall be used in any calendar*
15 *week. This subsection shall not apply during any unpaid veto recess period which*
16 *shall be for no more than twelve (12) calendar days, followed by a single*
17 *legislative day. As used in this subsection, "calendar week" shall begin on*
18 *Monday and end on Saturday.*
- 19 *(4) All periods of time when the General Assembly is not in session after March 31 in*
20 *odd-numbered years, April 15 in even-numbered years, or upon Joint*
21 *Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of*
22 *Representatives shall be interim periods for purposes of compensation,*
23 *authorized expenses, legislative ethics, campaign finance, and actions relating to*
24 *regulations, contracts, or other legislative duties related to the executive branch.*
- 25 *(5) Any bill filed prior to March 31 in an odd-numbered year, or April 15 in an even-*
26 *numbered year, shall hold over for purposes of legislative action until December*
27 *31 of the year in which it was filed, or until all available legislative days have*

1 been expended, whichever occurs first.

2 (6) Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to any extraordinary session of
 3 the General Assembly convened under Section 80 of the Constitution of
 4 Kentucky.

5 →Section 2. KRS 6.190 is amended to read as follows:

6 (1) Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section ~~beginning as of January 1,~~
 7 ~~1984],~~ during any regular session of the General Assembly held between the first
 8 Tuesday following the first Monday in January and March 31 in odd-numbered
 9 years, and April 15 in even-numbered years:

10 (a) The members of the General Assembly, other than the Speaker of the House
 11 of Representatives, the President of the Senate, the Speaker Pro Tempore of
 12 the House of Representatives, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the
 13 majority and minority leadership of each house of the General Assembly, shall
 14 each receive as compensation one hundred dollars (\$100) per day;~~[-]~~

15 (b) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives
 16 shall each receive as compensation one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) per
 17 day;~~[-]~~

18 (c) The majority and minority floor leaders of each house of the General
 19 Assembly shall each receive as compensation one hundred twenty dollars
 20 (\$120) per day;~~[-]~~ and

21 (d) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker Pro Tempore, and the
 22 majority and minority caucus chairs~~chairmen~~ and whips of each house of
 23 the General Assembly shall each receive as compensation one hundred fifteen
 24 dollars (\$115) per day~~[-, during the session of the General Assembly].~~

25 (2) During any session of the General Assembly convened upon Joint Proclamation
 26 of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives,
 27 and except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, the members of the

1 General Assembly shall receive as compensation the amounts specified under
2 subsection (1) of this section for each calendar day on which the General
3 Assembly meets.

4 (3) In addition to his or her compensation as a member of the General Assembly, each
5 chair~~chairman~~ of a standing committee of the House of Representatives or the
6 Senate shall receive compensation of ten dollars (\$10) for each regularly scheduled
7 meeting of the standing committee which the member~~he~~ chairs during sessions of
8 the General Assembly.

9 (4) Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section~~[beginning as of July 1, 1980]~~,
10 each member of the General Assembly shall receive mileage and reimbursement of
11 road tolls for one (1) round trip for each week of the session actually traveled
12 between the member's~~his~~ home and the State Capitol during regular sessions, for
13 any session convened upon Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and
14 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and extraordinary sessions of the
15 General Assembly and the necessary travel in going to and returning from the
16 sessions of their respective houses. The mileage allowance under this section shall
17 be equal to the maximum mileage allowance permitted by the federal government,
18 to be increased as federal mileage allowance is increased.

19 (5) In the event of an extraordinary session called under Section 80 of the
20 Constitution of Kentucky, or any session convened upon Joint Proclamation of
21 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, no
22 compensation or expense reimbursement authorized under this section shall be
23 paid to any member during those days declared as veto days by the General
24 Assembly. This provision shall not prohibit the payment of the expense allowance
25 provided under KRS 6.213.

26 (6) As used in this section, "veto day" means any day in which neither chamber
27 meets while awaiting gubernatorial action on legislation enacted during that

1 session.

2 ➔Section 3. KRS 6.211 is amended to read as follows:

3 **(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section**~~[effective January 1, 1994]~~, in
4 addition to any and all sums, compensation, or expenses now paid the members of
5 the General Assembly, each shall receive an expense allowance of one hundred ten
6 percent (110%) of the expense allowance paid federal employees traveling in the
7 Frankfort, Kentucky area for each calendar day. This sum shall be paid whether the
8 General Assembly is in regular or extraordinary session and shall be in full
9 recompense of any additional expenses incurred in excess of that now received by
10 them.

11 **(2) For any extraordinary session called under Section 80 of the Constitution of**
12 **Kentucky, or any session convened upon Joint Proclamation of the President of**
13 **the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, no additional**
14 **expense allowance authorized under this section shall be paid to any member**
15 **during those days declared as veto days by the General Assembly. This provision**
16 **shall not prohibit the payment of the expense allowance under KRS 6.213.**

17 **(3) As used in this section, "veto day" means any day in which neither chamber**
18 **meets while awaiting gubernatorial action on legislation enacted during that**
19 **session.**

20 ➔Section 4. This Act shall take effect only upon the ratification, in the regular
21 election of November 8, 2022, of a constitutional amendment relating to sessions of the
22 General Assembly, including sessions convened upon Joint Proclamation of the President
23 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. If such an amendment is
24 not ratified, this Act shall be void.