

1 AN ACT relating to construction of statutes.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 446.080 is amended to read as follows:

4 ~~(1) All statutes of this state shall be liberally construed with a view to promote their~~
5 ~~objects and carry out the intent of the legislature, and the rule that statutes in~~
6 ~~derogation of the common law are to be strictly construed shall not apply to the~~
7 ~~statutes of this state.~~

8 ~~(2)~~ There shall be no difference in the construction of civil, penal, and criminal statutes.

9 ~~(2)~~~~(3)~~ No statute shall be construed to be retroactive, unless expressly so declared.

10 ~~(3)~~~~(4)~~ All words and phrases shall be construed according to the common and
11 approved usage of language, but technical words and phrases, and such others as
12 may have acquired a peculiar and appropriate meaning in the law, shall be
13 construed according to such meaning.