

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing the Election Integrity and Security
2 Task Force.

3 WHEREAS, the right to vote in a free, honest, and fair election is the most basic
4 civil right, one of the most important rights on which the American people depend; and

5 WHEREAS, citizens must have confidence in our electoral process, free from fraud
6 and interference; and

7 WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the state governments to safeguard the electoral
8 process and ensure that every American citizen's right to cast a ballot is protected; and

9 WHEREAS, state governments must adopt policies sufficient to secure their
10 elections against fraud, including efforts by noncitizens to vote, and citizens registered in
11 multiple states; and

12 WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States has noted that known
13 instances of fraud "demonstrate that not only is the risk of voter fraud real but that it
14 could affect the outcome of a close election";

15 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

18 ➔Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission shall establish the Election
19 Integrity and Security Task Force to study current election processes in Kentucky.

20 ➔Section 2. The Election Integrity and Security Task Force shall assess, examine,
21 and evaluate current election processes:

22 (1) Before an election;

23 (2) During an election;

24 (3) After an election; and

25 (4) Any ongoing maintenance activities associated with elections that take place
26 in the Commonwealth.

27 ➔Section 3. (1) The Election Integrity and Security Task Force shall be

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

3 (a) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of
4 the House;

5 (b) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Minority Floor
6 Leader;

7 (c) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;

8 (d) One member of the Senate appointed by the Minority Floor Leader;

9 (e) The Secretary of State, or his or her designee; and

10 (f) A current county clerk recommended by the Kentucky County Clerk's
11 Association.

12 (2) The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate
13 shall each select a co-chair from their respective chambers from the membership of the
14 task force.

15 ➔Section 4. The task force shall meet monthly during the 2021 interim of the
16 General Assembly. The task force shall submit findings and recommendations to the
17 Legislative Research Commission for referral to the appropriate committee or committees
18 by December 1, 2021.

19 ➔Section 5. Provisions of this Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding, the
20 Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the
21 issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and to
22 designate a study completion date.