

1 AN ACT relating to operations of the property valuation administrators and making
2 an appropriation therefor.

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

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 132 IS CREATED TO
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *(1) Beginning January 1, 2023, taxpayers shall list their tangible personal property*
7 *on an electronic form prescribed by the department and submit electronically to*
8 *the property valuation administrator by the dates established in KRS 132.220,*
9 *132.825, and 136.1803.*

10 *(2) (a) A taxpayer may apply for a waiver from the electronic form by submitting a*
11 *request to the property valuation administrator.*

12 *(b) The request shall be on a form prescribed by the department and shall*
13 *indicate the lack of one (1) or more of the following:*

14 *1. Compatible computer hardware;*

15 *2. Internet access; or*

16 *3. Other technological capabilities determined relevant by the*
17 *department.*

18 *(c) If the waiver is granted, the taxpayer shall list his or her tangible personal*
19 *property on a paper form prescribed by the department and submit to the*
20 *property valuation administrator by the dates established in KRS 132.220,*
21 *132.825, and 136.1803.*

22 *(3) The department shall:*

23 *(a) Establish the processes associated with the electronic listing of tangible*
24 *personal property;*

25 *(b) Develop and provide taxpayers with forms and instructions associated with*
26 *listing tangible personal property; and*

27 *(c) Provide education and awareness to the public about the electronic process*

1 for listing tangible personal property, including providing information on
2 the department's Web site.

3 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 134 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 (1) Each taxpayer shall register with the property valuation administrator of the
6 county in which the taxpayer's property is located to receive electronic
7 notifications.

8 (2) Each taxpayer is responsible for maintaining an active e-mail address and
9 providing that e-mail address to the property valuation administrator of the
10 county in which the taxpayer's property is located for electronic communication
11 unless the taxpayer is granted a waiver under subsection (3) of this section.

12 (3) (a) A taxpayer may apply for a waiver from the registration required by
13 subsection (1) of this section by submitting a request to the property
14 valuation administrator of the county in which the taxpayer's property is
15 located.

16 (b) The request shall be on a form prescribed by the department and shall
17 indicate the reason for the waiver request.

18 (c) If the waiver is granted, the property valuation administrator shall send
19 notifications to the taxpayer through the mail.

20 (4) (a) Any taxpayer that fails to register or provide an active e-mail address as
21 required by subsections (1) and (2) of this section or is granted a waiver
22 under subsection (3) of this section shall pay a two dollar (\$2) annual
23 processing fee.

24 (b) The property valuation administrator shall maintain a list of taxpayers who
25 are required to pay the two dollar (\$2) annual processing fee and provide
26 that list to the county clerk for use in preparing the property tax bills.

27 (c) For taxpayers required to pay the two dollar (\$2) annual processing fee, the

1 fee shall be added to the property tax bill for each parcel of real estate that
 2 the taxpayer owns. The fee shall be collected and distributed by the sheriff,
 3 or other designated local official or department, to the property valuation
 4 administrator of the county in the same manner as the other taxes and fees
 5 on the bill, and any unpaid fees shall bear the same penalty as general state
 6 and local ad valorem taxes. This shall be a lien on the property against
 7 which it is levied from the time of the levy.

8 (5) The department shall:

9 (a) Establish the processes associated with the taxpayer registration process;

10 (b) Develop and provide taxpayers with forms and instructions associated with
 11 the registration process; and

12 (c) Provide education and awareness to the public about the registration
 13 process, including providing information on the department's Web site.

14 (6) The property valuation administrator shall:

15 (a) Maintain a database of the e-mail addresses provided by taxpayers;

16 (b) Ensure that the e-mail addresses remain confidential and are only released
 17 from the confidential status by the taxpayer's written authorization; and

18 (c) Only use the e-mail addresses to communicate with the taxpayer in regards
 19 to the assessment of his or her property.

20 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 133 IS CREATED TO
 21 READ AS FOLLOWS:

22 Notwithstanding KRS 171.420 and 171.450, physical storage of paper documents
 23 retained by the property valuation administrator's office shall not be required to be
 24 stored for a period longer than two (2) years when the same documents are also stored
 25 by digital means. The digital storage of these documents shall be retained in
 26 accordance with the records retention and destruction schedule established by the
 27 Department for Libraries and Archives and approved by the State Libraries, Archives,

1 *and Records Commission.*