

1 AN ACT relating to minimum staffing requirements for long-term care facilities.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 216 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall implement a system of*
6 *minimum staff-to-resident ratios as a condition of licensure or relicensure for*
7 *long-term care facilities in the Commonwealth. The staffing ratios shall be*
8 *adjusted to meet the care needs of the residents based on acuity of care.*

9 *(2) By January 1, 2025, the cabinet shall promulgate administrative regulations in*
10 *accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to implement the system of staff-to-resident*
11 *ratios and set penalties for violations.*