

**15.280 Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center -- Reports -- Purposes.**

- (1) A Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center is hereby created as part of the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet.
- (2) The Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center shall provide its reports and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly through the Kentucky Criminal Justice Council.
- (3) The Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center shall:
  - (a) Improve the quality and usefulness of criminal justice statistics and research results that are disseminated to citizens, public agencies, and private agencies in Kentucky;
  - (b) Publish research results and statistical data that are requested by criminal justice agencies;
  - (c) Improve the relationship between citizens and criminal justice agencies of Kentucky by conducting citizen surveys of the needs, attitudes, and behavior relating to crime and justice; and
  - (d) Strengthen the relationship between Kentucky criminal justice agencies and the Bureau of Justice Statistics, United States Department of Justice, by:
    1. Providing justice statistics to the Bureau of Justice Statistics as required; and
    2. Serving as a clearinghouse for Bureau of Justice Statistics materials.
- (4) The Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet may expend any federal grants or federal funds provided for carrying out the functions and authority as assigned in this section. Further, the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet may employ such employees as may be necessary to fulfill the duties, responsibilities, and functions assigned by this section.

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