

1 AN ACT relating to training for telecommunicators.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 15.550 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) The basic course offered by the training program shall consist of forty (40) hours of  
5 instruction or training and shall consist of subjects appropriate for the basic training  
6 of law enforcement telecommunicators in the technique of emergency services  
7 communications. The Kentucky Law Enforcement Council shall approve all  
8 training curriculum and instructions.

9 (2) *As a portion of the basic course offered, all telecommunicators who receive or*  
10 *dispatch emergency medical service calls shall be trained in telephone*  
11 *cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR) utilizing nationally recognized*  
12 *emergency cardiovascular care guidelines. At a minimum this training shall*  
13 *incorporate recognition protocols for out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, compression-*  
14 *only CPR instructions for callers, and continuing education as appropriate.*

15 (3) *Online training modules based on nationally recognized guidelines that at a*  
16 *minimum incorporate recognition protocols for out of hospital cardiac arrest and*  
17 *compression-only CPR shall be acceptable for telecommunicators who have not*  
18 *been through the training academies or who are not otherwise certified in these*  
19 *protocols.*

20 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS 15.530 TO 15.590 IS CREATED TO  
21 READ AS FOLLOWS:

22 (1) *A PSAP as defined by KRS 65.750 or an agency receiving or dispatching*  
23 *emergency medical service calls may enter into a reciprocal agreement with*  
24 *another PSAP, dedicated phone line, or call center to provide telephone*  
25 *cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR) utilizing nationally recognized*  
26 *emergency cardiovascular care guidelines, provided that the PSAP or other*  
27 *agency that accepts the call has telecommunicators trained in T-CPR in*

1       accordance with subsection (2) or (3) of Section 1 of this Act.  
2       (2) Any employee of a PSAP that answers calls for emergency medical conditions  
3       shall, in the appropriate circumstances, provide telephonic assistance in  
4       administering CPR directly or transfer calls to a dedicated phone line, call center,  
5       or other PSAP with which the transferring PSAP has a reciprocal agreement.