

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.