

605.030 Duties of court-designated workers.

- (1) A court-designated worker may:
 - (a) Receive complaints;
 - (b) Review complaints taken by peace officers;
 - (c) Investigate complaints except neglect, abuse, and dependency;
 - (d) Perform an initial screening for human trafficking as defined in KRS 529.010 for referral to the cabinet for investigation as a case of dependency, neglect, or abuse;
 - (e) Dispose of complaints limited to a total of three (3) status or nonfelony complaints per child;
 - (f) Administer oaths;
 - (g) Issue summonses;
 - (h) Issue subpoenas;
 - (i) Make advisory dispositional recommendations and provide, within forty-eight (48) hours, exclusive of weekends and holidays, information concerning a child who has chosen to waive the investigation pursuant to KRS 610.100 for the use of the cabinet in placing the child;
 - (j) Perform such duties as required by KRS Chapter 645; and
 - (k) Perform such other functions related to activities of children as may be authorized or directed by the court.
- (2) Upon the filing of a petition which initiates a formal court action in the interest of the child, the court-designated worker's involvement, with the exception of the activities defined in subsection (1)(i) of this section, shall cease.
- (3) When a child is to be tried as an adult, the court-designated worker need not make dispositional recommendations.

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