

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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School, City _____ Betsy Layne High School, Betsy Layne, KY _____

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BILL# 1

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ACTION ON BILL _____ *Blue*

A BILL

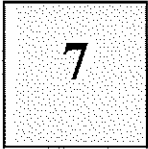
Title: An act to require schools across the state to use conservation programs for students who are interested in saving energy, which in return will reduce up to 25% of the cost of utility bills for the school.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: This bill is to require schools across the state to use conservation programs for students interested in saving energy such as turning off lights, uncovering or not blocking air conditioning vents, etc.

Section 2: The money saved on the bills for the school could be used to go towards new textbooks, new materials, or new projects for the students.



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BILL# 2

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ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to establish free, mandatory health screenings and drug testing for all coal miners in Kentucky.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: This bill will require coalmine employers to mandate free health screenings and drug testing for all coal miners in Kentucky.

Section 2: As of now coal miners are randomly drug tested and it's mainly when they are being hired on or after being hurt on the job. When this bill is passed, coal miners will be drug tested at least one time every two months (six times a year).

Section 3: Coal miners now have to pay for their health screenings due to symptoms of many different problems that could lead to more serious problems like emphysema. These diseases could be found early and maybe even cured if it's not too serious yet, because of these mandatory health screenings. When this bill is passed, coal miners will have mandatory health screenings every six months (two times a year).

Section 4: Coal miners pay different amounts for Drug tests and Health screenings now, due to their different insurance policies, since the tests and screens will be free, the state should pay the rest of the bill. Some coal mines have an 80/20 insurance policy where the miner pays 20% of the bill, though this is not bad, they are state workers and risking their lives every time they go underground, to provide energy for your electricity. The state should give something back and pay the other 20%. Keep in mind every Coalmine has different Insurance Policy and the state should pay what the insurance doesn't.

Section 5: In 2006, 72 coal miners lost their lives in coalmine accidents 49 of these deaths were drug related. Between 1992 and 2002, 12,000 coal miners died from black lung disease also known as Emphysema alone! If we can pass this bill then we could possibly save many men and women's lives! Another thing to think about is every time you turn on your lights in your house, turn your television on to watch your favorite show, or even to go to your refrigerator to get your children food, that our coalminers are the ones risking their lives digging and breaking their backs to supply the energy needed to power these appliances you use!

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Bill Authors Mary Allen, Chasity Clem, Katie Cody, Hannah Smith
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BILL# 3 ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H3 ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An Act to Protect the Children of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

Section 1: Currently Kentucky Law Enforcement officials can place a child into protective custody without a court order if the law enforcement officer determines that the child is in imminent danger. However, Social Workers in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services can only place a child in protective custody with a court order.

Section 2: Protective Custody is the emergency removal of a child from his/her home when the child would be in imminent danger if allowed to remain with the parent(s) or custodian(s).

Section 3: Increase the responsibilities and duties of a Social Worker in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to allow the Social Worker to place a child in protective custody for no more than 18 hours in order to obtain the necessary court order for long term protective custody.

Section 4: This provision would allow the Social Worker to immediately remove a child from a dangerous situation.

Section 5: The cost would be minimal. No additional social workers would be needed to enact this bill.

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BILL# 4

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ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to require all caffeinated energy drinks sold in Kentucky to carry warning labels that indicate caffeine dosage, and warn of potential consumer health risks and place sale restrictions on such drinks.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 1: All companies manufacturing caffeinated energy drinks who wish to sell their product in the state of Kentucky must include a warning containing FDA maximum recommended caffeine dosage and any associated potential health risks.

Section 2: No one under the age of 13 will be able to purchase caffeinated energy drink.

Section 3: Anyone ages 13-17 can only purchase one caffeinated energy drink during a single transaction.

Section 4: Any violations of the warning label will result in the following penalties for the manufacturer:

1st Offense: \$5,000 fine

2nd Offense: \$10,000 fine

3rd Offense: \$20,000 fine

If a fourth offense of regulations occurs, the manufacturer will be prohibited from selling said product to retailers in the state of Kentucky.

Section 5: Any violations of sales restrictions will result in the following penalties for the retailer:

1st Offense: \$100 fine

2nd Offense: \$200 fine

3rd Offense: \$500 fine

4th Offense or any offense occurring thereafter: \$1,000 fine

Section 6: All penalties outlined above will be under the jurisdiction the Kentucky Department of Health and Human Services.

Section 7: This bill will go into effect six months after passage.

Section 8: Any and all parts of laws in conflict with this bill will be repealed upon passage.

Bill# 5

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Western Hills HS

A BILL

TITLE: An act to provide an option for any/all public and private schools (who elect) to have any non-school sponsored extra curricular activities participated in by a high-school student to count as an elective credit.

ENACTING CLAUSE: BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

BODY OF THE BILL:

Section 1: Our proposal is to provide elective credits toward graduation for high school students who participate in sanctioned activities and training outside of the school environment. Students are not commonly rewarded for the activities they participate in outside of the school environment. We want to change this.

Section 2: Since the student would be receiving a credit for graduation, he or she would bear the burden of proof that they are learning a specified curriculum of material. After every 9 weeks the student who opts to take advantage of this program would be given an exam over the subject matter that they are participating in (ex: a student participating in martial arts would be tested on the principals and history of it). If the student does not pass the exam two out of four times he or she would not receive the credit. As elective courses only count for ½ a credit, these would be the same, falling under the category of electives. The facilitator of the activity should be authorized and have credentials. This can be determined at the time of registration for this program. The criteria for the credit must vary with some leniency determined by the school system.

Section 3: If a school agrees to comply with this but does not follow the set rules and regulations (i.e. not giving a student their deserved credit), then actions will be taken. On the first offense the student will be given their credit, and the person responsible will be given a warning. On the second offense the student will be given their credit and the school board of education will be fined \$50. On the third offense the student will receive his/her credit and has the right to sue the board for tampering with graduation credits.

Section 4: This law will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect 6 months after passage and private schools will then be given the option to participate or not (the private schools who opt out will not be penalized.)

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School, City: Henry Clay High School, Lexington

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BILL# 6

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S1

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

1. **TITLE:** An act to create uniform regulations for the duration of time in which coaches can require their
2. students to be physically active

3. **ENACTING CLAUSE:** Be in hereby enacted by the annual youth legislature of the commonwealth of
4. Kentucky

Body of the Bill

5. **Section I:** Coaches of school regulated sports teams (being defined as any team that involves physical
6. activity) can only require their students to be physically active for three hours at a time. During these three
7. hours, at least fifteen minutes must be offered cumulatively to allow students to rest and cool down.

8. **Section II:** A single practice session cannot exceed three hours at one time. This does not include the required
9. fifteen minute break (meaning that technically the practice may be three hours and fifteen minutes). There
10. must be an eight hour break between two consecutive practice sessions if a coach chooses to do more than
11. one in one day. Two practice sessions is the maximum allowed for one twenty-four hour period.

12. **Section III:** Coaches can not require physical activity outside on days when the temperature exceeds ninety
13. degrees Fahrenheit or when it falls below thirty five degrees Fahrenheit.

14. **Section IV:** If the child's condition is due to a preconceived problem that has been reported in a physical,
15. and is not due to the mismanagement of the coach, the coach is not liable for the student's injuries. These
16. restrictions would not apply in such cases.

17. **Section V:** The severity of the condition is defined as the point at which the player requires hospitalization,
18. even if hospitalization is not provided.

19. **Section VI:** If a coach is caught violating these regulations and it results in any significant physical injury
20. that requires hospitalization or death, they will be vulnerable to any lawsuits that the child's family may
21. charge them with. They will also be required to pay a fine of five hundred dollars for the first offense.

22. Section VII: If a second offense occurs the coach will be forced out of their coaching position at the school
23. and will be barred from all coaching positions until two years have elapsed.
24. Section VIII: If once they return to their coaching position and such behavior is repeated, then after a first
25. offense they will be barred from all coaching positions in the future.
26. Section IX: This bill requires no funding.
27. Section X: This bill will become law on the date of July 1, 2010.

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BILL# 7

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S2

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

A Bill to Require Drug Testing for Kentucky Teachers

1. Enactment Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the annual Youth Legislature of Kentucky.
2. Section I: In 2006 Kentucky was ranked number three in the top producers of marijuana in the
3. United States. 1.44% of our population (ranking fourth nationwide) meaning that 61,477
4. people use marijuana alone in Kentucky. There have been 56,376 total arrests due to drugs in
5. Kentucky. The most important position for the future of a state or a nation are teachers, there
6. happen to be 43,788 teachers teaching 671,466 students. The potential of the teachers using
7. illicit drugs, although uncommon could pose a problem to the development of the nation, since
8. teachers are responsible for the uprising of students intellect.

9. Section II: Upon application, new teachers are required to complete a drug test to ensure that
10. they have not used any illicit drug recently.
11. Also a school will randomly select a group of teachers about 30-50 (pending on amount of
12. teachers working in the school) once per year to also complete a drug test in order to continuously ensure that
13. illicit drugs will not be used.

14. Section III: The only exceptions to this law shall be prescribed medicines from a doctor
15. or other health care affiliate. If prescription is present then the prescription must
16. be presented to the district officials along with the physician's name so that they
17. may be contacted and the prescription confirmed.

18. Section IV: Funding for the \$25 a piece drug test shall be acquired through federal funding,
19. such as taxes.

20. Section V: Should a teacher fail to accept a drug test they shall be dismissed from the
21. application. Also, should they fail the drug test, they shall be suspended indefinitely from
22. their position. Also charges may be pressed to a teacher who has used illicit drugs with the

23. penalty not exceeding 5 years in prison, and a \$10,000 fine.

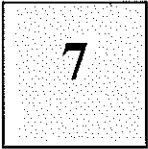
24. Section VI : The provisions of this bill shall take effect 90 days after passage.

25. Section VII : Kentucky School Boards Association shall be responsible for enforcing the

26. provisions of this bill. Violations of the provisions of this bill shall be punishable

27. by suspension from position.

28. Section VII : All laws in conflict with this bill shall be declared null and void.



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BILL# 8

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ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

1. TITLE: An act to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases, more specifically Carbon Dioxide (CO₂),
2. through a policy of capping and trading emissions.

3. ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of
4. Kentucky.

BODY OF THE BILL:

5. SECTION 1: A cap on Carbon Dioxide emissions will be set equal to the total number of tons released
6. nationally in 2009.

7. SECTION 2: The cap will be steadily tightened until emission levels in 2050 are 20% of the levels of
8. 1990.

9. SECTION 3: In order for a company to release CO₂ they will need emission credits. Emission credits
10. will be distributed to large scale emitters through auctions.

11. SECTION 4: Companies that emit more than their allotted credit amount will be assessed a penalty at
12. one and a half (1½) times the market rate of the credit.

13. SECTION 5: The companies that have excess credits can trade these credits to over polluting
14. companies for monetary gain.

15. SECTION 6: This bill will go into effect one (1) year after its passage. This will allow companies to
16. retool to comply with the new standards.

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BILL# <u>9</u>	ACTION ON BILL _____
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A BILL

TITLE: A bill to allow prosecution of mother's of babies born addicted to controlled substances.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

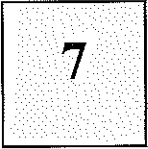
Section 1: Babies born with addictions to controlled substances often suffer complications during birth which include death.

Section 2: We propose charging mothers of babies who are stillborn or die shortly after birth from drug related complications with fetal homicide. Fetal homicide in Kentucky covers an unborn child which the law defines as a member of the species homo sapiens in the uterus from conception onward, without regard to age, health, or condition of dependency.

Section 3: No funding is necessary for this bill as court cost will be the responsibility of the defendant as usual.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect January of 2010.

Section 5: *Note-* This bill is not to challenge the Roe v. Wade decision. Abortion laws are irrelevant to this bill. This bill is only applicable to controlled substances (illegal drugs). Drug testing of pregnant women is not necessary. If the cause of death is drug related, prosecution will be sought.



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School, City Owen County High School

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BILL# 10

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H2

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

An act to implement recycling facilities in Kentucky counties.

1. In accordance with the Division of Waste Management, recycling facilities shall be constructed and operational in all Kentucky counties by 2015.
2. Funding for facilities shall be covered by the budget of the Division of Waster Management as well as support from country governments and local support.
3. Contributions by county governments shall be reimbursed over time by the Division of Waste Management.
4. This act shall go into effect immediately following passage and signature from the governor.

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School, City Pikeville High School, Pikeville, KY

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BILL# 11

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H3

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

TITLE: An Act to Regulate the Inflation of College Costs

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

BODY OF THE BILL:

SECTION 1: This bill will regulate all college cost increases to reflect the national inflation rate, for all Kentucky public technical and vocational schools, community colleges, 4-year colleges and universities who receive state funding in the form of financial aid funding, grants, and state budgetary appropriations.

SECTION 2: The Council on Post Secondary Education will set tuition increase maximums in accordance with the national inflation rate as of December 31 of the previous year.

SECTION 3: Tuition increase maximums will apply to all students attending all Kentucky public technical and vocational schools, community colleges, four-year colleges and universities.

SECTION 4: All post-secondary institutions that do not follow these regulations of the Commonwealth of Kentucky will have state funding withheld until they are in compliance.

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Bill Authors: Tim Kirby, Ethan Miller

School, City: Rockcastle County High School, Mount Vernon, Kentucky

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BILL# 12

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H4

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: AN ACT TO REQUIRE an amendment to the Kentucky Constitution to change the Primary voting date from the first Tuesday in May to the first Tuesday in February.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby resolved by the Annual Youth Assembly of Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 1: Kentucky's primary date was set in the late 1700's. The basis for the selection of May as a date in which to hold the primary is not clearly set out in any document. However, our research has determined that a number of factors including the agricultural basis of Kentucky's economy may have contributed to the date selection.

Section 2: Many states currently hold their primary election before the end of February. Holding the primary election in the month of May effectively eliminates or at least extremely reduces the affect that Kentucky voters can have on the selection of a presidential candidate for their party. Moving the primary date to February will encourage Kentucky citizens to exercise their right to vote in a primary election and will give Kentuckians a voice in the primary election.

Section 4: There will be no cost to the State of Kentucky for the implementation of this bill beyond the normal amount spent to inform voters of upcoming election dates and polling locations.

Section 5: This amendment will be effective immediately.

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BILL# 13

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE HS

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An act to rescind all smoking bans that effect private businesses within the state of Kentucky.

ENACTING CLAUSE: BE IT HERBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

Section 1: The rights of private citizens are violated when local governments are allowed to ban the use of a legal product, thus affecting the business owner's right to run their own personal business in the manner that they see fit within the law.

Section 2: Our state government is prohibited from banning smoking in public businesses, but our county and city governments are not. County and City governments, if ruled in favor, are able to tell any and every private business within its limits that smoking is not allowed.

Section 3: Lexington already has a smoking ban in effect for all public access buildings including restaurants and bars.

Section 4: There will be no cost to this bill. (But, without the passage of this bill there *will* be a cost- a greater loss of our liberties.)

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BILL# 14

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE SI

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An act to require media outlets to obtain permission or have moral cause before publishing any private citizens' personal information.

ENACTING CLAUSE: BE IT HERBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

Section 1: We believe that the United States Constitution supports a private citizen's right to privacy.

Section 2: Many citizens of our Commonwealth have experienced an invasion of their right to privacy through irresponsible journalism and media coverage.

Section 3: We believe that it is possible to reconcile our right to freedom of speech and press with a private citizen's right to privacy.

Section 4: This bill will prohibit the harassment and exposure of private citizens by any form of media outlets without permission or probable cause. (This bill will apply to all broadcast and print media outlets, including tabloids.) Trespassing on private property and broadcasting personal records and information without consent or probable cause is defined as harassment and is prohibited by this bill.

Section 5: Persons holding or seeking public office are exempt from this bill. Neither would this bill be applicable to anyone being investigated or tried in a criminal case or to persons who have been involved or arrested due to criminal activities. Celebrities or anyone purposefully seeking public attention shall also be exempt as far as the publishing of personal records is concerned. However, it should be noted that public officials, celebrities, suspected criminals or other persons purposely placing themselves in the public setting shall be entitled to protection under the normal laws of the State of Kentucky involving harassment.

Section 6: Penalties will be as follows:

1st Offense: The accused party will face fines of up to \$2,500.00, and will be banned from the accuser's property, with a matched fine to the media source in question.

2nd Offense: The accused party will face fines of up to \$3,000.00, and will be banned from the accuser's property, with a matched fine to the media source in question, plus a 60 day jail sentence for the offender.

3rd Offense: The accused party will face fines of up to \$5,000.00, and will be banned from the accuser's property, with a matched fine to the media source in question, plus a 120 day jail sentence.

This bill shall be effective immediately after passage.

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BILL# <u>15</u>	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE <u>S2</u>	ACTION ON BILL <u>Blue</u>
A BILL		
Title: An act to prevent car insurance companies from raising premiums of clients who are not responsible for the accident being claimed.		
Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky		
Section I: The purpose of this bill is to prevent car insurance companies from taking advantage of their clients.		
Section II: No funding will be required for this bill.		
Section III: This bill will be enforced by the state's Attorney General.		
Section IV: This bill will go into effect in June of 2010.		

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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Bill Authors: Jonathan Dunn, Kyle Hunter, and Caleb Flanagan

School, City: Russell County High School, Russell Springs

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BILL# 16

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S3

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An act to reform the state educational system.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF THE BILL:

SECTION 1: The state curriculum will be improved in order to raise the expectations put on students. These higher standards will influence the already established standardized test so as to progressively challenge students more each year, in accordance to the curriculum.

SECTION 2: A standard for teacher tenure will be created. This standard will not be based on the number of years one has been teaching; instead, it will be based on the results that are demonstrated through their student's grades and standardized test scores, random state/district evaluations, and individual school requirements.

SECTION 3: If the teacher in question does not meet the standards stated in section two, a three-strike plan will be implemented.

Strike One: The teacher must meet with school administration to discuss why he did not receive tenure. Verbal guidance and a warning will be given.

Strike Two: The teacher will choose a comprehensive improvement plan that he believes will help him teach efficiently.

Strike Three: He will be fired.

SECTION 4: Officials will visit each school in the Commonwealth. They will rank schools in accordance to their structural needs. Those that have a higher rank will receive priority in applying for government aid for school building projects. Those that have a lower rank will have a minimal chance to receive aid above those with a higher rank.

SECTION 5: This bill will go into effect at the start of the 2010-11 school year.

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School, City Taylor County High, Campbellsville

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BILL# 17

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ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An act to revise Sections 2 and 3 of KRS 149.090 (Dealing With Forest Fire Prevention and Control: Arrests—No Trespass Actions—Summoning Help and Equipment) to clarify circumstances, avoid undue hardship to citizens and ensure forest warden accountability.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF BILL:

1. SECTION I: Kentucky is a state of forests. Over twelve million acres are covered with trees. Each year
2. approximately 1447 fires endanger these forests, wildlife, property and human lives. In addition to
3. an uncalculated toll of emotional and physical pain, the annual financial cost ranges from millions to
4. billions of dollars in the last decade.

5. SECTION II: To curtail potential dangers inherent in forest fires, KRS 149.090 gives forest
6. wardens the right to summon residents to assist in extinguishing fires and to confiscate equipment to fight
7. fires.

8. SECTION III: This law enhances firefighting capability; however, neither Section 1/"A forest warden
9. may summon any resident of the state over eighteen (18) years of age who is physically able to assist..."
10. or Section 2/"A forest warden may require the use of horses, automobiles, tools, and other equipment
11. needed..." include the phrase "in case of emergency" or any other justification. Private citizens may be
12. subject to a forest warden's whim, and a forest warden has no clear concept of when the state allows
13. him/her to invoke these powers. Furthermore, the state opens itself to liability and legal issues.

14. SECTION IV: Therefore, Sections 1 and 2 should each begin "In case of emergency endangering human
15. life and/or property...." These few words guide a forest warden's decision regarding the enacting of such
16. drastic measures, provide legal justification for the state, and protect citizens from needless government
17. intrusion in private lives.

18. SECTION V: This bill will go into effect immediately upon passage.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM

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School, City: Walton Verona High School, Walton

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BILL# 18

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H2

ACTION ON BILL ___

A BILL

TITLE: An act to amend the current Selective Service Act to include women.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Congressional Program of the annual Kentucky Youth Assembly.

BODY OF BILL:

1. **SECTION ONE:** The Selective Service Act is the process by which the United States government
2. collects the names and addresses of men ages 18 through 25 to use in case a national emergency
3. requires rapid expansion of the Armed Forces. Registering for selective service does not mean you
4. will be drafted. A draft can not take place unless ordered by Congress and the President.

5. **SECTION TWO:** This bill will require that not only men must register at age 18, but
6. women as well.

7. **SECTION THREE:** This bill will go into effect January 1, 2011. All men and women turning 18
8. after this date must register.

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School, City: West Carter High School—Olive Hill, KY

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A BILL

Title: An act to require all students that score in the proficient or higher category on a state exam cannot be retained.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the annual youth legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 1: This bill would be mandatory for all students attending public schools who score at least a proficient on state test and a maintained GPA of at least 2.8 should not be allowed to be retained for extra-curricular activities.

Section 2: This bill will allow academics to take precedent over extra curricular activities. Retention of students costs the Commonwealth up to \$1,200 a day at 175 days per year. Elective retention by parents and/or students for the purpose of extra-curricular activities is a considerable expense to individual school districts.

Section 3: This bill would ensure an extensive look at the student's past and present academic performance (state test scores, GPA, extracurricular activities, and behavioral/psychological performance) by the person in charge of retention at district level.

Section 4: This bill would make extracurricular activities on a more equal level to participants and eliminate unfair advantages.

Section 5: This bill would ultimately place the final decision for retention of the student to be made by each district's board of education.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Tyler Conley, Jordan Williams

School, City Bourbon County High School Paris, KY

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BILL# 20

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H4

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

Title: An act to require all schools to have a recycling program.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the annual youth legislator of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of Bill:

Section 1: In order for a school to establish a recycling program all that is needed is to contact a local recycling center. Recycling centers are willing to donate bins for the programs and in most cases pick them up as well.

Section 2: Funding would be unneeded in most circumstances. The recycling centers are willing to donate bins and in most situations pick them back up from the schools. The minimal funds would be the cost of transportation between the school and the recycling center, which will more than likely not be needed.

Section 3: The bill will come into effect starting at the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.

Section 4: The fine for not following this law at the beginning will be a loss of funding for extra curricular activities. The schools will then have until the following month to start a program. If one is still not in action then there will be \$100 fine per month plus a loss of funding until the program is enacted.

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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School, City ___ Bourbon County High School, Paris

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BILL# 21

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE HS

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to require high schools in Kentucky to have a standardized, statewide grading scale.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF THE BILL

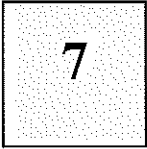
Section I: This bill will establish a uniform, statewide grading scale for all public high schools in Kentucky.

Section II: The private schools can choose to be included in this bill, but however, are not required to. If they wish to do so, they need to contact the Kentucky Board of Education.

Section III: The state's Board of Education will meet and research the three (3) most common and effective grading scales. The scales will then be sent to all of Kentucky's public, and participating private, high schools. These schools will vote on the grading scales. The one that is most popular by vote will be adopted as the new, statewide grading scale across Kentucky.

Section IV: This bill will not cost the state any money.

Section V: This bill will go into effect as of July 10, 2010.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Stephen Parsons, Nate White, Rachel Swanson, Marylynne Anderson-Cooper

School, City Bryan Station High School, Lexington

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BILL# 22

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE SI

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to establish a quarterly statewide physical activity program to promote health awareness, youth involvement, care for the environment, and the importance of community

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the annual youth legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
Body:

- I. On each established date a pre-determined set of roads will be closed to all vehicles and opened to those walking, running, biking, skating, or participating in other physical activities.
- II. The local police will be in charge of closing the roads to all vehicular traffic.
- III. The bill will cover all 120 counties of Kentucky. The event will happen once every season on the same day throughout the state.
- IV. The program is optional and will not mandate county participation.
- V. The Health Department of each county will be in charge of the event, per statewide standards.
- VI. The counties that can afford paying for the health event will do so through donations from local businesses. Counties which are financially limited may apply for need-based grants which will be funded through national and statewide health initiatives.
- VII. Each season will have a different theme which will be uniform throughout the state.
- VIII. County participants are encouraged to tailor the event to fit their community. Certain activities that take place in one area may not be included elsewhere.
- IX. The program will go into effect at the next established quarterly date following passage.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors__ Madison Marcum, Kristen Ellis, Rachel Emerson, & Olivia Shugars_____

School, City _Casey County High, Liberty_____

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BILL# 23

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S2

ACTION ON BILL _____

Red

A BILL

TITLE: An Act To Modify The Current School Day To Begin at 9 am And End At 4 pm.

ENACTING CLAUSE: BE IT HEREBY INACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH
LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

BODY OF THE BILL:

SECTION I: This bill would require schools to begin their day at 9 am instead of 8 am and end their official day at 4 pm instead of 3 pm.

SECTION II: This bill will allow students to get more sleep since they will be starting school one hour later. Parents that work will benefit from not having to pay for child care services from 3pm to 4 pm.

SECTION III: This bill will require no additional funding.

SECTION IV: The Kentucky Department of Education will be required to enforce this bill.

SECTION V: Penalties for non-compliance are as follows:

1st Offense: School System will be fined the amount of \$5,000.00

2nd Offense: School System will be fined the amount of \$15,000.00

3rd Offense: KDE will seize control of the district and enforce the new policy.

SECTION VI: This bill will go into effect for the 2010-2011 school year.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors __Leann King, Whitney Lawhorn & Chris Lee_____

School, City __Casey County High, Liberty_____

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BILL# 24

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S3

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An Act To Prohibit The Creation And Use Of Puppy Mills In The State Of Kentucky.

ENACTING CLAUSE: BE IT HEREBY INACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH
LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

SECTION I: This bill will prevent the creation and operation of puppy mills, large-scale commercial dog breeding operation where profit is given priority over the well-being of the dogs.

SECTION II: This bill will prevent the constant and inhumane abuse of animals that are kept in unsanitary conditions for the sole purpose of massive breeding.

SECTION III: This bill requires no additional funding.

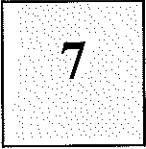
SECTION IV: The Kentucky State Police and local law enforcement agencies will be responsible for enforcing this bill.

SECTION V: Penalties for any business or private citizen found in non-compliance with this bill will be fined according to the following scale:

1st Offense: Pay a fine of \$5,000.00

2nd Offense: Person responsible will be jailed, Mill will be confiscated

SECTION VI: This bill will go into effect 60 days upon passage.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors _____ Caroline Glenn, Chelsea Griffith, Kelsey May

School, City _____ George Rogers Clark High School, Winchester KY

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BILL# 25

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H1

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

TITLE: An act to abolish the Physical Education requirement for high school students, who are an active in physical, school affiliated activities in the state of Kentucky.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF BILL:

SECTION I: All high school students will be able to bypass the Physical Education credit requirement if they participate in a physical, school affiliated activity.

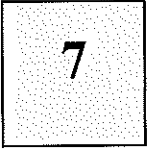
SECTION II: Students that participate in physical, school affiliated activities are more than capable of passing the requirement for P.E. By allowing them to bypass the requirement, their schedule will be open to classes that will better prepare them for college or for careers.

SECTION III: The definition of a physical, school affiliated activity is any extracurricular activity that is recognized by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association to be a sport. This would also include marching band, including color guard, cheerleading, and JROTC.

SECTION IV: Kentucky's Department of Education will enforce this bill.

SECTION V: This bill will not cost any money. Actually, it could save money by allowing schools to have a single P.E. teacher instead of multiple.

SECTION VI: This bill will go into effect at the start of the up coming school year in 2010.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors _____: Brooks Coleman, Wes McCrary, Mary Kelley Tucker, Jodi Chamberlain

School, City _____ George Rogers Clark High School, Winchester KY

BILL# <u>26</u>	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE <u>H2</u>	ACTION ON BILL _____ Red
<h3>A BILL</h3> <p><u>Title:</u> An act to require Kentucky high school dropouts to take the General Education Development examination.</p> <p><u>Enacting Clause:</u> Be it hereby enacted by the annual youth legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:</p> <p><u>Section 1:</u> This bill, if enacted, will require high school dropouts to take the GED.</p> <p><u>Section 2:</u> A high school "dropout" is deemed an individual who has officially withdrawn from public or private high school teaching institution.</p> <p><u>Section 3:</u> An individual deemed a high school "dropout" over the age of 16 must wait 90 days from the time of withdrawal from school to take the examination, as required by GED qualifications.</p> <p><u>Section 4:</u> A dropout will be required to pay the test fee, and will be encouraged to take preparatory courses before time of test.</p> <p><u>Section 5:</u> A dropout will be notified of possible test dates by way of letters sent by the Kentucky government.</p> <p><u>Section 6:</u> Refusal to take the test will result in inability to acquire a job in the state. If an individual already has a job within Kentucky, he or she will be suspended from said job and pay until he or she takes the examination.</p> <p><u>Section 7:</u> This bill, if enacted, will go into effect January 1, 2011.</p>		

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Megan Hardy, Maria Hughes, Mikey Beekham

School, City Lexington Catholic, Lexington, Kentucky

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BILL# 27

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H3

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

Title: An act to allot a percentage of every dollar wagered on Thoroughbred racing in the state of Kentucky to various organizations responsible for the health and welfare of Thoroughbred racehorses (active and retired) as well as those who work with them.

Enacting Cause: Be it hereby enacted by the annual youth assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: .01 percent of every dollar wagered on live racing in the state of Kentucky will be donated to organizations that protect the health and welfare of Thoroughbred racehorses and those who work with them.

Section 2: All monies involved would have to be physically wagered on the grounds of a Kentucky race track and be wagered on live racing taking place that day. All other forms of wagering would not be subjected to this allotment. These forms of wagering include but are not limited to: Simulcast wagering, wagering from out of state, wagering from within the state via phone or internet and wagering on races not taking place that day.

Section 3: All organizations to benefit must be non profit and operate as a charity with the IRS.

Section 4: Initially, all monies collected will be divided evenly between the following organizations:

Bluegrass Farms Chaplaincy, Race For Education, Don Macbeth Foundation,
Racehorse Retraining and Retirement Fund, and the Blue Horse Organizations

Section 5: After the initial year, a board of trustees comprised of 5 individuals will be responsible for determining the organizations that will benefit from this bill. Each individual will be appointed by one of the 5 Thoroughbred racetracks in the state and these tracks will be given sole discretion in their choice. There will be no limit on the number of organizations that may benefit.

Section 6: The board of trustees will be in effect six months after the inception of this bill. Individual tracks may change representatives when and how they see fit.

Section 7: Failure to comply will first result in a \$250 fine to the race track responsible for the failure to comply.

Section 8: This bill will go into effect starting in 2011, if passed.

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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School, City Monticello High School, Monticello

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BILL# 28

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H4

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title of the Bill: Can the CATS! A bill to reform the commonwealth's testing system.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Justification Clause: The purpose of this bill is to revise the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System or CATS. The CATS includes all Kentucky testing including the tests made by the American College Testing company, such as the ACT and PLAN tests. Currently, teachers in Kentucky are teaching to two tests, the Kentucky Core Content Test and the ACT. KCCT tests only overlap the ACT on 1/3 of the subjects tested. This is detrimental to the students of Kentucky because teachers are forced to teach to the KCCT test; therefore, our students are not adequately exposed to the material tested on the far more prominent ACT test. In addition, the KCCT test is regarded by the vast majority of states to be an invalid testing method. The ACT test is the test that most affects a student's future; therefore, we have an obligation as stewards of our states education system to ensure that the students in our care are well prepared for the future.

Body of the Bill

Section 1- This bill will reform the testing model of the state of Kentucky by eliminating a large portion of the Commonwealth Assessment Testing System better known as CATS. The Kentucky Core Content Test including both the multiple choice and open response sections will be terminated for all grade levels K-12. In its place, a testing model focusing on the ACT will be implemented.

Section 2- In the place of CATS testing, grades K-7 will take the CTBS test (Comprehensive Test of Basic Systems). The scores of these students will be assessed individually and compared year by year to determine if longitudinal progress is being made in all subject areas over time. 8th graders will take the ACT Explorer test.

Section 3- High school students will be administered the following tests and assessed based on scores in these tests: freshman will take the reading, science, and mathematics portion of the CTBS test, Sophomores will be assessed based on the ACT PLAN test, Juniors on the ACT, and Seniors will continue to be assessed based on Writing on Demand and the Work KEES assessment. Schools will be scored based on these scores as well. The Education Department will set progress goals for students based on national standards.

Section 4- According to the federal No Child Left Behind education reform bill, all schools must have some way of testing its students in Reading and Science. These portions of the tests in section 3 will be used to meet that requirement.

Section 5- When this bill is enacted, teachers will be teaching toward ACT tests and national standards rather than differentiated state biases. This bill will begin to take effect upon passage, but to allow time for the state and schools to adjust to the new testing model, it will only be fully enforced by the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Emily Lindon and Emily Robbins ("The Emily's")

School, City Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Lexington

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BILL# 29

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE HS

ACTION ON BILL _____

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A BILL

TITLE: An act to require all Department of Public Welfare beneficiaries to consent to drug screenings.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF THE BILL:

SECTION 1: All beneficiaries of the Department of Public Welfare will be required to consent to drug screenings.

SECTION 2: Beneficiaries must be screened upon their application to receive benefits and be subject to random drug screenings throughout their dependency on welfare.

SECTION 3: Drug tests will be administered by the Department of Public Welfare employees in the form of a sweat patch.

SECTION 4: If applicants or beneficiaries refuse drug screening their application will be denied or their status as a welfare recipient will be terminated.

SECTION 5: If applicants or beneficiaries fail to pass their screening they will be given two months to seek treatment/complete rehabilitation program, any time after which they will be eligible to retake the drug screening, provided they have proof of completing a treatment program.

SECTION 6: A community outreach program will be formed within the Department of Public Welfare upon enactment of this bill. This program will offer workshops to welfare beneficiaries on interview skills and work place etiquette as well as provide business attire in coordination with existing community organizations such as the Salvation Army and Goodwill.

SECTION 7: This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

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School, City Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Lexington

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BILL# 30

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE SI

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to require an academic aptitude test to measure a student's intellectual capacity and ability to learn; in order to place these students within the corresponding discipline that will maximize their potential as well as the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a whole.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: This bill will require students after their fifth grade year to take an academic aptitude test that will determine a student's intelligence level and intellectual potential, and this will place the students on an academic track.

Section 2: There will be three academic disciplines that are differentiated after the fifth grade: professional preparatory program (PPP), civil service preparatory program (CSPP), and technical preparatory program (TPP).

Section 3: The professional preparatory program (PPP) is designed to educate its participants at the highest level in order to achieve high intensity jobs that require above average instruction in the linguistic and logical-mathematical intelligences.

Section 4: The civil service preparatory program (CSPP) is designed to immerse students in an educational program that is designed to help students acquire the skills needed to be viable in the mainstream job market.

Section 5: The technical preparatory program (TPP) aims to create an environment that helps students excel using the spatial, bodily-kinesthetic, musical, and societal intelligences.

Section 6: If an educator determines a student is not fit for the discipline they are currently in, then they have the ability to test the student so that their next year of schooling is more suited to their intelligences. This mobility can be used to maximize potential of the students in their best field rather than simply relying on a single test taken after the fifth grade.

Section 7: Dependent on the individual student's discipline, their curriculum will be tailored to challenge them within the areas that they excel while also providing a strong foundation in the other core areas. In other words, these students will not be forced beyond their ability to learn in areas that they have no interest.

Section 8: There will be no changes in the districting or transportation, and the only changes will be primarily curriculum based.

Section 9: The cost involved in this program will originate from having to create the aptitude tests as well as a potential increase in teaching and counseling staff. This increase is due to more specialized class needs.

Section 10: Money for the staff and creation of the aptitude tests will be appropriated from the education tax.

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

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School, City Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Lexington

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BILL# 31

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE S2

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to ban texting while driving.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: This bill will ban all drivers, regardless of age, from texting while driving (TWD). This bill will exclude vehicles pulled off to the side of the road.

Section 2: The penalties for a DWT will increase in severity upon multiple offenses. The penalty will begin with a fine similar to that of speeding and increase to a penalty similar to DWI, as texting and driving is said to be almost as dangerous as driving while intoxicated. The first offense will be a \$150 fine (with the option to attend traffic school, like any moving violation) with 2 points added to your license. The second offense will add an additional 4 points onto the violator's license and a \$300 fine. The third offense will result in a \$500 fine plus court costs and a 6-month license suspension. The fourth offense will result in an immediate loss of driving privileges for one year and a \$1000 fine plus court costs will the possibility of jail time.

Section 3: There will be no costs resulting from the enforcement of this bill.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect 30 days upon passage.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors JESSICA GEDDES, KAITLYN HILL, CHELSEA SWEET

School, City Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Lexington

BILL# <u>32</u>	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE <u>S3</u>	ACTION ON BILL _____ <i>Real</i>
<h3>A BILL</h3> <p>AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE CHILD PROTECTION AGENCY OF KENTUCKY TO RELEASE INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT ITS INVOLVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE IN CASES OF FATAL CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.</p> <p>BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.</p> <p>Body of Bill:</p> <p>Section 1: KENTUCKY IS CURRENTLY RANKED NUMBER 1 IN THE UNITED STATES FOR FATALITIES CAUSED BY CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT. THIS BILL WOULD LEAD TO MORE ACCOUNTABILITY ON THE PART OF THE CHILD PROTECTION AGENCY.</p> <p>Section 2: THE PENALTY THAT WILL BE INCURRED FOR VIOLATING THIS LAW DEPENDS ON THE INDIVIDUAL CASE, BUT MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE CHILD PROTECTION AGENCY.</p> <p>Section 3: NO MONEY IS REQUIRED FOR THE ENACTMENT OF THIS LAW.</p> <p>Section 4: THE BILL WILL GO INTO 90 DAYS FOLLOWING PASSAGE.</p>		

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Kent Jones, Jasmine Strunk, Emily Stout

School, City Pulaski County High School

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BILL# 33

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H1

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to require separate "choice" schools based on gender for elementary (K - 5) aged school children.

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Body of the Bill:

Section 1: Each county shall provide a separate school for elementary aged school students in grades Kindergarten through Fifth grade

Section 2: Students will be selected to attend by lottery with preference given to subpopulations

Section 3: Subpopulation preferences shall be defined as low-income or free-reduced lunch recipients, single parent home, children from homes with a parent in prison.

Section 4: Hiring for positions at school will be the same sex as the students in it, to provide positive role models.

Section 5: Funding for these schools will come from property tax, federal funding, and "re-purposing" of other school buildings.

Section 6: This bill will take effect in the counties as funding and/or buildings become available and no later than the 2014-2015 school year.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Abby Lissanu, Sarah Wilson, Sravya Vilagandla

School, City Somerset High School, Somerset

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BILL# 34

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE H2

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to limit possible abortion candidates to only those who have reached legal adult age (18 years).

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: According to OAG 82-97, abortions take place following a 24-hour waiting period, with written informed consent by the mother or one parent/guardian if the mother is under eighteen and unemancipated. Abortions can occur without parental consent in cases of medical emergency or by judicial proceedings to the court. A doctor must notify spouse if possible prior to abortion, or, if not possible, within 30 days of abortion [notification of spouse has been held unconstitutional by the attorney general]. The physician determines if abortion is necessary in his clinical judgment, with a second opinion of another physician, and the mother supplies informed consent.

Section 2: With this bill, underage abortions will become illegal, even with parental consent. This measure will deter teenagers from engaging in unprotected sex. Pregnant underage mothers will have the options to raise the child or give the child up for adoption.

Section 3: A new system will be implemented with two options for an underage pregnant mother. She can give her child up for adoption to the financially secure family of her choice, who will pay for all doctor's fees and medical bills incurred during and immediately following pregnancy and delivery. The mother will be given priority in deciding the amount of involvement she will have in the child's life, and the family she chooses must be in agreement. No penalties will result if the mother decides to keep the child and not give it up for adoption; the mother will then be held responsible for repaying the family in a specific amount of time, varying per situation, for all medical bills and fees. The mother will also have the option of raising her child alone.

Section 4: Underage abortions will be defined as any performed on a young woman who has reached the age of fifteen or older, and who will be held accountable for her actions. This bill will save the state money, as those under eighteen who have abortions make up approximately 13% of the state's abortion rates. Safe abortions, in regard to the health of the mother, require costly equipment and highly-trained professionals, so abortion clinics would require less staffing. In effect, abortion proceeds could be redirected into child care or adoption.

Section 5: First offense (i.e. an illegal underage abortion) will be punished with a \$1,000 fine. The second offense will carry the previous fine, as well as a state investigation of the abortion clinic. A third offense will result in the abortion clinic being shut down. This bill excludes underage abortion in cases of rape, incest, child abuse, or danger to the mother's health, in which cases parental consent is not required. All underage abortions scheduled after this bill passed will be void.

Section 6: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2010, the beginning of the next fiscal year.

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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Emily Cox, David Sams, Jarred Johnson, Madyson Hutchinson

School, City Somerset Christian School, Somerset

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A BILL

Title: An act to amend criminal restitution statute KRS 533.030 to: "charge a civil penalty on the defendant for failure to make restitution that is ordered to be paid through the circuit clerk or a court-authorized program."

Enactment Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body of Bill:

Definition:

Section One: A civil penalty is a term used to describe when a state entity, government agency, or private party seeks monetary relief against an individual as restitution for wrongdoing by the individual. Our bill deals specifically with theft charges.

The Decided Penalty:

Section Two: In addition to the original restitution, the defendant will be required to pay a civil penalty of 7% on the original total. The funds received from this penalty will be given to the victim in order to further compensate for the original loss. This was decided upon by the basis of KRS 533.030 which affirms, "Payment of restitution to the victim shall have priority over payment of restitution to any government agency."

Section Three: In order to ensure accuracy and fairness in the civil penalization process, we will construct a time window for promptness of payment. This time window will be determined by district judges according to yearly income, as well as current socioeconomic status.

Section Four: In the case that that the criminal is unable to pay the civil penalty, we will follow the statute set by KRS 533.030 which states "courts may, in lieu of monetary restitution, order the defendant to make restitution by working for or on the behalf of the victim."

Section Five: Funding for this bill will be derived from the assessed and above outlined penalty.

Section Six: This bill will go into effect on July 1, 2010.



KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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Bill Authors Sean Freeman, Corey Martin

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BILL# <u>36</u>	ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE <u>H4</u> ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: The Budget Transparency Act of 2009

Enacting Clause: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Justification: From 2000-present, Kentucky's biannual budget increased 56% while the value of the dollar has decreased by 25%. One of the reasons for this is that Kentucky practices incremental budgeting, meaning that budget requests always increase.

Section I: Currently, the incremental budgeting practices require the departments only to justify budget increases, not the entire budget. This means that useless, ineffective programs are allowed to continue, costing Kentucky taxpayers millions of dollars.

Section II: Beginning Fiscal year 2011, every department and agency in Kentucky must submit their budgets with a justification for every expense.

Section III: The compiled budget request, detailing how every dollar is spent, from all departments and agencies will be available online and by mail at least ten days prior to a budgetary approval vote.

Section IV: Any budget that contains sensitive information may receive an exemption from the website post or mail. Agencies must submit a formal request to receive the exemption.

Section V: A new website will be created which will provide easily accessible information for Kentucky Taxpayers so they can see where every dollar of their money is going.

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY

ALTERNATE BILL

Check One: East West

Bill Authors Caleb Williams , Calie Morgan _____
 School, City __Pulaski County High, Somerset _____

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ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE _____

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

Title: An act to annually test home schooled students to ensure all children are getting a proper education.

Enacting Clause: Be it here by enacted by the Annual Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Body if the Bill:

Section 1: The Commonwealth of Kentucky will provide a test that will check each home schooled student's academic level to ensure that proper education is being provided in the home school

Section 2: During CATS testing window for the state where the home schooled student resides each home schooled student will report to the Board of Education where they will be administered the grade appropriate test.

Section 3: The test will be sub divided into core subjects by grade level with each core subject test lasting one hour with fifteen minute breaks between subjects.

Section 4: Each test will consist of grade appropriate questions and responses.

Section 5: Grading will coincide with that counties grading scale. If the student receives a "D" or lower, it will be understood that the student does not know the material. The parents will then be met by the Board of Education official and police officer and discuss consequences.

1st Offense: The parents will be fined 5,000 dollars per child for each child that does not pass the annual test.

2nd Offense: The parents will be forced to enroll their children in private or public schooling.

3rd Offense: The parents will be arrested and charged with failing to provide comply with compulsory attendance laws

KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY ALTERNATE BILL

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BILL# A2

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE _____

ACTION ON BILL _____

A BILL

TITLE: An act requiring the lowering of government funds given to local prisons.

ENACTING CLAUSE: Be it hereby enacted by the Annual Youth Legislature of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

BODY OF THE BILL:

SECTION 1: This bill will allow for a limit to be set on the amount of funds that goes towards prisons in Kentucky.

SECTION 2: Recent estimates show that it takes \$20,000 a year to house an inmate in Kentucky. This is more than double the money it takes to educate a child in public school per year. This bill would lower and even out these costs.

SECTION 3: This bill will also help to allow prison inmates to become more self-sufficient, by working for wages while imprisoned. These wages would assist in offsetting any needed costs, so no additional funding would be necessary.

SECTION 4: State and federal governments would oversee that this law was enforced. Inmates who did not adhere would be transported to and incarcerated in another local prison where the law is enforced more efficiently.

SECTION 5: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2011.