

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Blue Bill # HB 07						
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School: Rowan County Middle School							
City: Morehead, KY							

1 An act to require all welfare recipients to be administered a drug test every 90 days.

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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**

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5 Section I: The purpose of this bill is to require all welfare recipients to participate in mandatory drug testing
6 every ninety days in order to keep receiving their government assistance.

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8 Section II: Within the state of Kentucky, over 58,000 residents receive government assistance each month.
9 Studies conclude that over 10% of welfare recipients show signs of substance abuse. The average amount
10 received in a welfare check is around \$1000 per month.

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12 Section III: Within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, both blue-collar and white-collar workers are required to
13 participate in random drug testing to keep their jobs. The purpose of our bill is to reduce the number of
14 welfare recipients that abuse the system. We believe that any person that is dependent on government
15 assistance should be required to a drug test every ninety days.

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17 Section III: This bill will affect all Kentucky residents receiving government assistance. Participants that are
18 found in non-compliance of this bill will have their monthly assistance revoked until they are willing to
19 participate in the mandatory drug test. Offenses for failing to pass the drug screening:

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- 22 • 1st offense: Warning will be given to participant(s) and government assistance will be withheld (up to
23 3 weeks) until participant(s) undergoes substance abuse counseling and drug testing.
 - 24 • 2nd offense: Government assistance will be revoked (6mo-1 yr) and participant(s) will undergo
25 additional substance abuse counseling/drug testing.

26 Section IV: The funding for this bill will come from money allocated within the department of Health and
27 Human services.

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29 Section V: This bill will go into effect January 1 2014.