

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Red Bill # HB 37						
	Referred to Committee: House						
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School: Shelby East/West Middle School and Martha Layne Collins High School							
City: Shelbyville							

1 An act to decrease the number of pill mills and people illegally selling prescription drugs in Kentucky.

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

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5 Section 1: We want to limit the number of people using prescription drugs for non-medical purposes and
6 stop the creation of pill mills in Kentucky. We will make sure there are no pill mills in Kentucky by hiring and
7 training investigators to recognize pill mills. If an investigator sees signs of a pill mill, they will investigate it
8 further and question customers to insure the medical center is actually a pill mill, before steps are taken by
9 local police to eliminate the problem.

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11 Section 2: Each investigator will be in charge of monitoring two counties in Kentucky, meaning there will be a
12 total of 60 investigators for the 120 counties in Kentucky. If an investigator is concerned about a specific
13 medical center and sees signs of a pill mill, they will investigate further. If the medical center is proved to be
14 a pill mill then the local police will be responsible for enforcing the new law and dealing with the situation.

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16 Section 3: Because we are using the local police for enforcement, the only funding needed will be to hire the
17 investigators. To lessen the payment needed by state taxes each pill mill operator caught will pay a fine of
18 \$2,000. This money will be added to the tax money provied by each city an investigator is in charge of. This
19 will not raise taxes significantly because the majority of the money needed will be supplied by the pill mill
20 operators and all other funding needed will be split between the average of 6-8 cities that each investigator
21 is in charge of.

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23 Section 4: If a person is caught operating a pill mill and illegally selling prescription drugs, they will serve a
24 minimum of ten years in prison and pay a fine for illegal drug possession and distribution. They will also be
25 fined an additional \$2,000 to help pay for the investigative services needed. If the drugs are sold to a minor,
26 then additional years will be served with the possibility of life imprisonment. The enforcement of this law will
27 be the local police's responsibility so that no other funding is needed.

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29 Section 5: This bill will go into effect upon passage.