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School: McKell Middle School	House	Senate
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An act to ban using animals to test human products.

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

Section 1: This bill will make it illegal to test human products on animals. Innocent animals are abused and can be injured and killed in testing human products. Since animals don't have a voice of their own, this bill will be their voice.

Section 2: Companies affected by this bill will still be able to test their products effectively by using insects, fungi, and bacteria to test their products. Insects, fungi, and bacteria work just as well and prevent the need to test animals. This is a more humane method that companies should be happy to embrace.

Section 3: This will not hurt Kentucky business since companies can still use insects, fungi, and bacteria. If companies wish they can even pay human volunteers, providing jobs to Kentuckians. If a company can't be happy using these easy and effective alternatives, they probably aren't the type of upstanding business that is good for Kentucky.

Section 4: The Animal Research Advisory Committee (ARAC) will conduct frequent unannounced checks to make sure companies are not testing human products on animals. If a company still uses animals to test human products, the first offense will result in a warning. The second offense will result in a fine of 5% of their annual profits. Each additional offense will result in a 5% increase in the fine.

Section 5: This bill will take effect January 1st, 2015.