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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill | Red Bill # HB 34 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 3 | | | | | | |
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| School: Todd Street School | | | | | | | |
| City: Frankfort | | | | | | | |

1 An act to improve the water quality of ponds, streams, rivers and small lakes

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

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5 Section 1: A major problem in Kentucky is algae building up in ponds because it kills fish, cattle, makes a
6 terrible odor and reduces water quality. This happens because an extreme level of nutrients mixed with
7 nitrogen and phosphorus makes the plants grow at an increased rate creating a green soup-like algae that
8 grows on the tops of ponds. Overgrowth of plant life and bacteria in the water deplete oxygen and cause
9 the death of the pond – eutrophication.

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11 Section 2: Property owners of all ponds of less than three acres are eligible for up to 20% off of their
12 property tax if they use an outdoor water aeration system. This often consists of a windmill that pumps air
13 below the pond and moves the water around to filter the water, but other proven technology can be used.

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15 Section 3: To receive their property tax reduction, a property owner must have the receipts showing the
16 person did buy the outdoor water aeration system and is using it.

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18 Section 4: Property owners do not have to install an aeration system. But they would use the 20% tax
19 reduction to pay for the aeration system.

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21 Section 5: The property tax reduction can be only for the actual cost of the system.