

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Blue Bill # SB 42						
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1 An act to establish a committee to oversee the improvement of Internet speeds 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: In this day and age, a fast, reliable Internet service is becoming increasingly necessary for the
6 well-being of the common man. The Internet is used for weather alerts, the jobsite, academics, shopping,
7 financial management, and access to the outside world. The United States, one of the largest economic
8 powers in the world, ranked 9th in broadband Internet speeds. Kentucky is 49th out of the 50 states and
9 the District of Columbia, with an average of 4.2 Mb/s. Only Alabama and Arkansas rank lower.

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11 Section 2: The committee will be under the Commonwealth of Office of Technology and shall oversee the
12 increase to and regulation of the prospect of speed. The initial proposed speed will be 5.5 Mb/s. This will
13 raise over time, reflecting advancements in technology and need in the area.

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15 Section 3: Companies providing Internet services which do not meet this requirement will be required to pay
16 a fine, determined by the severity of and number of infractions, purely at the discretion of the Committee to
17 be established.

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19 Section 4: This act will require little to no funding, only enough to provide the jobs for the committee.
20 However, many potential committee members may already hold a job within the Commonwealth Office of
21 Technology.

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23 Section 5: Going into effect January 1st, 2015, the Commonwealth of Kentucky will begin to enforce the
24 standard Internet speed for the area under its jurisdiction.