


|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill | Red Bill # SBP 03 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: Senate 1 | | | | | | |
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| School: Elizabethtown High School | | | | | | | |
| City: Elizabethtown | | | | | | | |

1 An act to lower the age limit to 15 for acquiring a driver's permit 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: This bill would allow for students to receive their driver's permit at the age of 15 instead of the
6 current 16 years of age.

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8 Section 2: According to www.freedomkentucky.org, over half of Kentucky is farmland. Many teens living on
9 rural farms need to drive for agriculture and education related purposes. If allowed to obtain a permit at 15
10 students would then be able to get a driver's license at the age of 16. Kentucky is one of only eight states
11 that requires students to be 16 to get a learner's permit for driving. The other seven states are all in New
12 England and have significantly less agricultural bases than Kentucky.

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14 Section 3: Receiving a license by the time you are 16 would also benefit those students who leave their high
15 school campus during the school day for a cooperative education work opportunity or a dual enrollment
16 class at a local college. Students must provide their own transportation to benefit from these experiences.
17 These students would still be required to meet the minimum grade requirements for getting a permit or
18 license.

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20 Section 4: This act would go into effect for students turning 15 in the 2014-2015 school year.