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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY
Legislative Bill

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Referred to Committee:
Senate 1

Action on the Bill

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School: Noe Middle School

City: Louisville

1 An act to require safer schools in Kentucky through clear communication, training and reporting about
2 bullying
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4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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6 Kentucky's anti-bullying law, KRS 156.095, would be amended to include the following six sections.
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8 Section 1: A definition of bullying is added that is consistent with state law (given in Section 5).
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10 Section 2: School district employees are trained on the recognition and prevention of bullying.
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12 Section 3: Strict reporting requirements for any employee who witnesses or has knowledge of bullying.
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14 Section 4: The law shall apply to each student while on school premises, on school-sponsored
15 transportation, or at a school-sponsored event.
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17 Section 5: The code shall prohibit harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyberbullying as defined in this
18 paragraph:
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20 1. Means any written, verbal, or physical act or any electronic communication that is intended to:
21 a. Threaten or physically harm a student or damage the student's property;
22 b. Be so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it substantially interferes with a student's educational
23 opportunities, or creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment; or
24 c. Substantially disrupt the orderly operation of the school; and
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26 2. Includes any written, verbal, or physical act or electronic communication shown to be:
27 a. Motivated by a student's actual or perceived race; color; religion; national origin; ancestry or ethnicity;
28 sexual orientation; physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability; gender; gender identity and expression;
29 or other distinguishing personal characteristic; or
30 b. Based on association with any person identified by a distinguishing characteristic described in subdivision
31 a. of this subparagraph.
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33 Section 6: A copy of each district's annual report on bullying statistics shall be posted prominently on the
34 front page of the district's Website for a minimum of thirty (30) days.