

 <b>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill</b>	<b>Blue   Bill # HB 14</b>						
	<b>Referred to Committee: House 1</b>						
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<b>School:</b> Casey County High School							
<b>City:</b> Liberty							

1                   An act to require foreign language immersion in all public elementary schools.

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

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5   SECTION I: This bill would require all public elementary schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to  
6                   provide their students with foreign language instruction on the immersion level. The  
7                   immersion level goes beyond the routine of listening, reading, speaking and writing the new  
8                   language as it allows students the opportunity to attain high levels of proficiency.

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10   SECTION II: In today’s society, we need more bilingual speakers to stay competitive in the global  
11                   economy. Educators say that the youngest brains have the greatest aptitude for absorbing  
12                   language and it increases a student’s level of language proficiency compared to waiting until  
13                   middle or high school.

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15   SECTION III: All elementary schools will be required to teach a minimum of 2 foreign languages during  
16                   the two years and the addition of a third language will come during the third year of the  
17                   program. Languages offered will primarily based on the regional needs of the schools.

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19   SECTION IV: Funding for this bill will be provided by the Kentucky Department of Education and the  
20                   allocations provided to them by the U.S. Department of Education.

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22   SECTION V: The Kentucky Department of Education and local Board of Educations will be responsible  
23                   for enforcing the new policies set forth with this bill.

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25   SECTION VI: This bill will go into effect for the new school year.