

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Red Bill # SB 24						
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1 An act to require all hospital employees to sanitize their hands before returning to work

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

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5 Section 1: Health care-associated infections (HAIs) are defined as infections contracted by patients while
6 receiving treatment in a healthcare environment. Much of this is due to the failure of healthcare providers to
7 observe proper hand sanitation procedures. According to the Department of Health and Human Services,
8 HAIs are contracted by 1 in 20 hospital inpatients and are responsible for the loss of tens of thousands of
9 lives as well as billions of dollars to the U.S. government every year. In order to help alleviate this problem,
10 upon passage of this bill, all hospital employees will be required by law to properly sanitize their hands upon
11 contamination before returning to work.

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13 Section 2: This law will be enforced by the implementation of GE's AgileTrac™ machines, which are able to
14 more efficiently monitor hand sanitation than other traditional methods.

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16 Section 3: Hospitals will be required to maintain a rate of at least 90% of all employees, whose hands
17 became contaminated, to sanitize their hands before returning to work.

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19 Section 4: Hospitals that do not maintain the rate of at least 90% compliance will pay a \$1,000,000 fine and
20 will be fined an additionally compounded \$100,000 with each subsequent year of non-compliance unless
21 otherwise stated by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

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23 Section 5: These systems will be successively implemented in hospitals one at a time; priority will be put on
24 large urban hospitals first.

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26 Section 6: Funding for the bill will be derived from the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services and
27 expenses will be dependent on the sizes of each individual facility.

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29 Section 7: The state government will fund these machines for private hospitals and they will also be required
30 to maintain the 90% compliance rate and will be subject to fines when applicable.

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32 Section 8: Each hospital will have a mandatory training session headed by each hospital's Infection Control
33 Officer for all employees biannually. This training will be conducted using the CDC approved teaching kits,
34 which are free for all hospitals to use.

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36 Section 9: Upon passage, this bill will go into effect January 1 of the following year.