

 <b>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill</b>	<b>Red   Bill # HB 27</b>						
	<b>Referred to Committee: House 4</b>						
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<b>City:</b> Louisville							

1 An act to require a Government and Politics course for all Kentucky high school students.

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

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5 Section 1: When enrolled in the Government/Politics class, the following units will be covered:

- 6 • Unit 1 - Foundations of American Government
- 7 • Unit 2 - Civil Liberties and Civil Rights
- 8 • Unit 3 - Political Parties and Public Opinion
- 9 • Unit 4 - Campaigning and Elections
- 10 • Unit 5 - Institutions of National Government: Congress
- 11 • Unit 6 - Institutions of National Government: Presidency, Bureaucracy and the Federal Budget
- 12 • Unit 7 - Institutions of National Government: Judiciary
- 13 • Unit 8 - Economic Policy, Social Welfare Policy, Health Care Policy, Environmental Policy, Foreign and
- 14 Defense Policy

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16 There will also be a volunteer component. Each student will volunteer a minimum of 4 hours for a

17 local/state/national political campaign.

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19 Section 2: The Kentucky Department of Education shall write the curriculum for the course.

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21 Section 3: This state mandated Government/Politics class shall fulfill a Social Studies credit. Students will be

22 required to take the course in the 12th grade. There will not be an option to test out of the class.

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24 Section 4: There will not be new hires required to implement this course. Currently certified social studies

25 teachers are able to teach the Government/Politics course. Curriculum will be written to include the use of

26 electronic books, websites, etc. to replace physical textbooks, which become outdated very quickly. A

27 portion of the education budget will be awarded to school districts in need of help purchasing classroom

28 sets of textbooks if the district does not use technology in teh classroom that would allow for the ebook

29 usage.

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31 Section 5: This act will go into effect for the 2015-2016 school year.