

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Blue Bill # HB 41						
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1 An act to ban the Natural Gas Recovery Method known as Hydraulic Fracturing in the state of 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: Hydraulic fracturing (or fracking) is the fracturing of rock by a pressurized liquid. The technique is
6 used to obtain oil. Chemical-laced water and sand are blasted underground to break apart rock and release
7 gas. This method of obtaining oil is becoming increasingly popular.

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9 Section 2: Fracking utilizes an immense amount of water that contains substances and other
10 environmentally damaging materials. Runoff from fracking operations can cause tremendous environmental
11 harm. Current procedures are not strict enough to prevent this harm to the environment. Additionally,
12 fracking brings up a number of land rights issues and affects the air quality.

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14 Section 3: This bill will cost no money to implement.

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16 Section 4: Any company caught using the method of Hydraulic Fracturing will receive no more than three
17 offenses. The offenses are as follows:

18 Offense 1: Any company caught hydraulic fracturing will first have a fine of \$100,000.

19 Offense 2: Any company caught hydraulic fracturing will then have a fine of \$1,000,000.

20 Offense 3: Any company caught hydraulic fracturing a third time will receive a fine of \$5,000,000 and will no
21 longer be allowed to drill for oil in the state of Kentucky.

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23 Section 5: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Natural Resources. This department is in
24 charge of maintaining Kentucky's environment and natural resources and would monitor companies drilling in
25 Kentucky.

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27 Section 6: This bill will go into effect on February 1st, 2015