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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill

Blue Bill # HB 17

Referred to Committee: House 3

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School: Highlands Middle School	House	Senate
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An act to require all high school students to attend a mandatory career and financial advice class before high school graduation.

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

Section 1: The purpose of this bill is to further educate the young people of Kentucky on how to be more prepared for adult life. This will be accomplished by creating an online class that all high school students will take before high school graduation. The class will cover money management which would keep more people in KY over the poverty line. It also would cover how to build resumes, allowing more people to get better jobs which would lower the unemployment rate. This would definitely help people who aren't going to college to be more successful. This bill would help Kentucky become more successful and people to become more independent.

Section 2: The consequence for not taking and passing this online class is not graduating high school. This class will have to be on every student's record in Kentucky before they can graduate.

Section 3: Expenses for this website may include money to pay for a part-time website administrator to keep the website running, a domain name, a server, and a teacher to run and post assignments for the class. The part-time website administrator would cost about \$60/hr with 80hrs to set up the website (\$4,800) and 8hrs a month after that for maintenance (\$480/month). A domain name cost on average \$20/year. A server will cost roughly \$100/month. The average salary of a teacher is from \$35,000 to \$84,000 per year. Also if commercial software is use, software expenses may have to be paid. The state and/or individual school districts will pay the expenses listed above.

Section 4: The department of education says that 73% of high school graduates do not graduate from college. These students are among those who apply for food stamps and state welfare assistance. Research shows in 2008 more than 58,000 citizens of Kentucky were on welfare or food stamps. By having this class we can teach people how to manage their money people will not fall below the poverty line and the state will not have as many people on welfare and food stamps. Since not as many people will be on these programs the state can use these funds to fund other state programs. This program can be beneficial to the state and high school students across the state of Kentucky.

Section 5: This bill will go into action on September 1st, 2014.