

 <b>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill</b>	<b>Red   Bill # HB 39</b>						
	<b>Referred to Committee: House 2</b>						
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<b>School:</b> Conkwright Middle School							
<b>City:</b> Winchester							

1 An act to ensure that every public school in the state of Kentucky has a full-time nurse.

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

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5 Section 1: Studies have shown that having a full-time nurse at school makes a difference. This is true not  
6 just for students' physical and emotional health, but also for their achievement in class. Students can focus  
7 more on academics when they know that their individual health concerns such as diabetes are monitored by  
8 a licensed medical professional. Even minor issues such as a skinned knee in P.E. or random nose bleed can  
9 be addressed if a full-time nurse is a part of the school staff. Some believe that having trained teachers is  
10 enough, but teachers have other duties and responsibilities to focus on and are not licensed nurses.

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12 Section 2: More and more kids are becoming diagnosed with illnesses that require attention during the  
13 school day. These illnesses include asthma, epilepsy, diabetes, and life threatening allergies. School nurses  
14 are especially important in situations such as these.

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16 Section 3: The School Board of Education could help pay for our bill. This bill would add about \$49,000 to  
17 the budget for a school nurse. Most of this money can come from grants from local hospitals.

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19 Section 4: The consequence for not having a school nurse would be freezing the school's funds until a nurse  
20 was hired. This bill will go into effect 90 days following the passed date.