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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill

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Referred to Committee: House 4

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School: Monroe County Middle School	House	Senate

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An act to make test results on K-PREP a factor in student graduation.

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

Section 1:The current testing system used in the state of Kentucky places all accountability for student testing results on teachers, administrators, and other entities throughout the school, but not on the actual taker of the assessment – the student themselves. This bill is designed to make students accountable for their test results, by adding incentives and consequences to the student's curriculum as a result of test scores.

Section 2: As of the passing of this bill, students who do not score a composite of Proficient or greater on their annual K-PREP assessment will be recommended for a repetition of the grade they took their failing test grade in. The recommendation will be given to the student's school district, and then given to the student's school, which will then inform the parents of this possibility. The student's parents may then agree to this recommendation OR the student's parent may decide to send the student to a remediation class in the failed subjects. The guidelines for this remediation class must be outlined by the Kentucky Department of Education within one year of this bill's passage.

Section 3: The K-PREP test will herein be issued between the last 4 1/2 months of the school year and the last 5 months of the school year. This will enable the state to offer accurate test results to all state schools taking K-PREP before the end of the school year, so that those results may be used in deciding whether a repetition of a grade level might be needed. This bill will reschedule the testing date from within the last 2 weeks of the school year to a testing window between the last 4 1/2 and 5 months of the school year.

Section 4: The Kentucky Department of Education shall be required to return the results from the K-PREP test to the schools themselves before the end of the given school year. This does not include the return of test scores to the district, where an embargo is placed on the scores before being returned to the schools. The test result must be in the hands of school administrators so they can make the needed adjustments to the student's curriculum.

Section 5: Any other state mandate, law, or other requirement which conflicts with this statement shall be repealed.

Section 6: This bill will go into effect two years after its passage.