	•
the	, mc

KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill

Referred	to Co	mmit	tee:

Senate 2

Red | Bill # SBP 21

Authors: Callie Copass, Leigha Guffey, Landri Walden	Action on the Bill	
School: Monroe County Middle School	House	Senate
	□ Passed	Passed
City: Tompkinsville	Defeated	Defeated

An act to require motorcyclists to wear helmets while riding on roads or highways.

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

Section 1: The current law in Kentucky concerning this issue states, "It is unlawful for motorcyclists to wear helmets while riding a motorcycle." This means that motorcyclists do not have to wear helmets while riding a motorcycle.

Section 2: Motorcycle related deaths have grown significantly by 55% since 2010. Statistics show that without wearing a helmet while riding a motorcycle, 40 percent of motorcyclists are more likely to die of a head injury than those who wear a helmet. Head injury is the leading cause of death in motorcycle crashes. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has determined that at least 1,800 lives were saved in 2008 due to riders wearing a helmet. This means that over 800 victims would have lived if thy had been wearing a helmet.

Section 3: Motorcyclists who do not follow the helmet law, will be required to attend a motorcycle safety class and fined \$100 for the first offense. A second offense will result in a \$300 fine and a 2 week loss of one's motorcycle license. A third offense will result in a \$500 fine and a 6 month loss of license. Any further offense will require jail time and a larger fee.

Section 4: This bill will require no additional funding.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect the first of the 2014 fiscal year.