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## KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill

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An act to require those citizens with potentially dangerous mental illnesses to obtain a doctor's permit before purchasing a firearm in the state of Kentucky

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

Section 1: This bill will require those citizens who have been previously diagnosed with potentially dangerous mental illnesses to obtain a permit, issued from their doctor, before being allowed to purchase firearms within the state.

Section 2: A "potentially dangerous mental illness" shall be defined as any mental disease or defect that has the reasonable possibility to cause the person afflicted with the stated disease or defect to cause harm to themselves or others.

Section 3: Any and all persons who wish to purchase a firearm will submit to background check that includes a screening for any diagnosed mental illnesses. If a person is shown to have a potentially dangerous mental illness, he/she must either present a permit from their doctor or they shall be denied the purchase.

Section 4: To obtain a permit to purchase a firearm, a person with any mental illness must visit his/her primary care physician. The physician must then perform a full psychiatric evaluation and within his/her profession opinion determine whether or not the diagnosed person's illness can be defined as a potentially dangerous mental illness.