

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill	Red Bill # P20						
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1 An act to prevent corruption in juvenile courts by opening violent juvenile court cases to the public.
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: To prevent future corruption, this bill will be activated in juvenile courts under the parameters of
6 Kentucky's Open Records Act. The public will have access and insight into the cases in hopes to protect not
7 only the victim but also the perpetrator involved in the potentially unjust verdicts.
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9 Section 2: This bill adds violent crimes committed by minors such as murder, forcible rape, robbery, and
10 aggravated assault to the list of cases controlled by the Open Records Act; therefore, courts are required to
11 publish records and proceedings from the juvenile's trial like in a legal adult's case.
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13 Section 3: Court officials who do not follow the requirements of this bill will be guilty of a Class A
14 misdemeanor or contempt. These charges will be filed in accordance with the Open Records Act
15 requirements for adult courts listed in KRS 61.991 and KRS 61.882.
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17 Section 4: The only financial cost of this bill would be an increase in caseload and possibly an increase of
18 hours on the job for the court clerk. An additional clerk or an increase of pay for the existing clerk could be
19 required to handle demand, but this would be left up to the judgement of individual courthouses in the
20 Commonwealth of Kentucky. As the Open Records Act states, the public agency may require a fee to
21 produce a copy of the nonexempt public records. This fee may not exceed the actual cost of reproduction.