

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill	Red Bill # P8						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
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City: Hopkinsville							

1 An act to require no smoking tobacco in vehicles with a minor as a passenger.

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

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5 Section 1: Prohibiting smoking in a car in the presence of children under the age of 18 will decrease the
6 likelihood of diseases caused by second-hand smoke. This means no one can smoke tobacco products with a
7 passenger of age 17 or younger in the vehicle. The driver and passengers do not need to be related.
8 Currently, second-hand smoke causes 150,000 to 300,000 lower respiratory tract infections in young
9 people from infancy to 18 months old. Second-hand smoke also increases the risks of lung cancer, stroke,
10 congestive heart failure, asthma, and death.

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12 Section 2: Smoking while driving can also cause distractions; this can put passengers in danger. Cigarette
13 smokers average 12 seconds of distraction (equitable to traveling 525 feet without looking at the road.) In
14 some cases, the accident can cause serious injuries or death to all in the vehicle. Prohibiting smoking in cars
15 for all counties in Kentucky will prevent car accidents caused by smoking in vehicles.

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17 Section 3: No cost is required to enforce this bill.

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19 Section 4: If seen smoking by a law enforcement officer, an individual will be pulled over. If they have a
20 passenger age 17 or younger, the penalty will be:

- 21 a.) first offense will be a fine of \$150
22 b.) second offense will be a fine of \$200
23 c.) third offense will be a fine of \$250 and 30 days of community service
24 d.) any further offense will result both in a suspension of license for six months and an additional 30 days of
25 community service with each further offense

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27 Section 5: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2015.