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An act to establish requirements needed to be filled while holding a tenure position in grades K-12.

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

- Section 1: Tenure is to give permanent office or position to someone, especially as a teacher or professor.
- Section 2: Tenure will be enacted after a teacher completes four years of teaching under a limited contract.
- Section 3: Offences/Requirements that are needed to be filled or monitored to revoke tenure status to teachers are as follows–(see attached handout)
- Section 4: Tenure was originally in acted to abolish personal biases and professional changes, within the education system. It is difficult to fire a teacher unless misconduct or inappropriate behavior arises from the teacher. Currently, before tenure is in effect, teachers are contracted with a limited number of years. If superintendent chooses not to renew this contract, teachers are let off before tenure is installed. This creates problems with a copious amount of teachers already in tenure, and new applicant teachers.
- Section 5: One goal of this bill is to influence consistent teaching from teachers throughout all of their career. With these additional requirements, tenure will not only focus on the jobs of teachers, but now put emphasis on the education provided to students.
- Section 6: If a teacher is to be declared not reaching at least 3 minor requirements within a 2 school year span, the principal needs to send in factual evidence of this to superintendent, who will then send it to Kentucky Department of Education. This teacher will then be acknowledged and let go.
- Section 7: If a teacher is proven to defy one of the major offences, they will be acknowledged immediately and let go. Once let go due to tenure policy, a teacher is unable to get rehired within Kentucky.
- Section 8: Tenure will only be taken away if a teacher misses one or two minor requirements or commits one or two offences. They will then have a meeting with administration to figure out what steps they need to take in order to succeed. Teachers will then have two school years to correct their mistakes. Administration can then decide if they want to keep them or not for upcoming years.
- Section 9: This bill will not eliminate tenure, but institute standards that need to be accomplished by teachers in order to maintain the tenure contract.
- Section 10: If passed, this bill will be put into effect in the 2015-2016 school year.