KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION **KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY** **Legislative Bill**	**Blue | Bill # 13** **Referred to Committee: Senate 1**
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School: Frankfort HS	House: ____ ☐ Passed ____ ☐ Defeated Senate: ____ ☐ Passed ____ ☐ Defeated
City: Frankfort	

An act to deny parental rights to convicted rapists.

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

Section 1: A new section of Kentucky legislation regarding custodial issues will be added to read as follows:
(1) The Commonwealth recognizes that certain victims of sexual assault may conceive a child as a result of the sexual assault and may choose to bear and raise the child. It is also recognized that the victims, as well as their child, may suffer serious emotional and/or physical trauma if the perpetrator of the assault is granted parental or visitation rights to the child.
(2) Any person who has been convicted of rape in which the victim has conceived a child shall not have parental or visitation rights with respect to that child.
(3) Despite not having parental or visitation rights, the perpetrator shall be required to financially support the upbringing of the child as per current Kentucky statutes.
(4) As used herein, the term "child" shall include both a single child or multiple children born from a single pregnancy.

Section 2: There is no new cost to the Commonwealth of Kentucky as this bill utilizes current departments and regulations.

Section 3: This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.