KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION **KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY** **Legislative Bill**	**Red | Bill # 48** **Referred to Committee: House 5**
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School: South Oldham HS	House: ____ ☐ Passed ____ ☐ Defeated Senate: ____ ☐ Passed ____ ☐ Defeated
City: Crestwood	

An act to remove parental custody over a child of rape.

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

Section 1: In several cases when a women is raped and becomes pregnant; the mother and father of the child will both obtain custody over the child. In result the father will be allowed to have visitation rights over the child. The rape victim, the mother, will often not want to have any types of relations involving the child and the rapist.

Section 2: This bill will remove any types of custody rights the rapist has over the child. This action will have to be requested by the mother of the child.

Section 3: If the mother approves the rapist to have custody rights, an agreement over the rights of this child will have to be agreed upon over court. A lawyer defending the mother and the father of this child must be present to represent in front of the judge.

Section 4: This bill includes all types of rape. (Diminished capacity, statutory, incest, martial rape, etc.)

Section 5: This bill will cost no money provided that the state already furnishes victims with lawyers.

Section 6: The rapist will not be legally listed as the parent of this child and will have no rights over this child.

Section 7: If the father decides to take the child and not follow court orders, it will be treated as a kidnapping and will have presses charged against them accordingly.

Section 8: The custody arrangement can occur while the mother is pregnant or after the child is born.

Section 9: If something is to happen to the mother during child birth, the baby will be passed on to the closest family member of the mother. If no family is able to take care of the child then the baby will be put into the foster system until a home can be found for the child.