

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Red Bill # 51						
	Referred to Committee: House 5						
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School: St. Francis HS							
City: Louisville							
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1 An act to require education about gender identity and sexual orientation in high school health classes
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: All Kentucky high schoolers are required to take a health class in order to graduate. We propose
6 adding a topic to this health class as a part of sexual education that requires teachers to provide education
7 about and discuss the various sexual orientations, such as bisexuality and homosexuality, and gender
8 identities, such as agender and transgender, in class. The goal of this is to create a safe environment for
9 students to feel unjudged and comfortable enough to talk about their personal orientation and identity, and
10 to increase awareness and education within the future generations.
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12 Section 2: The health teacher can choose to instruct this portion of the course however they see fit, but they
13 must include descriptions of all the different gender identities and sexual orientations. They must also talk
14 about the current issues involving this topic, such as the importance of legal recognition of a same-sex
15 marriage. The teacher must not take a biased opinion in favor or against any of these issues, but instead
16 present the facts to allow students to form opinions of their own.
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18 Section 3: The health teachers, during the summer of 2015, must complete a week-long, online course
19 which will cover all the information they will be required to teach, ways to present the information without
20 being biased, and how to maintain a judgement free environment for the students. This course is to be
21 provided by the school, and it will be a tax cut for the school. During this week, the teachers will receive their
22 normal, school-week income for this week-long course.
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24 Section 4: This will just be an addition to the health class curriculum, not an additional class.
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26 Section 5: The requirements for the addition will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education. If a
27 school fails to comply with these requirements, they will first receive a warning; if the school's failure to
28 comply continues, it will be fined \$500, which will be added to the school's education budget.
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30 Section 6: This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the fall 2015-2016 school year.