



**KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY
Legislative Bill**

Red | Bill # 30

**Referred to Committee:
House 3**

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Action on the Bill

House

Senate

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1 An act to require all Kentucky citizens receiving disability benefits to complete a physical and/or mental
2 health screening annually.

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

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6 Section 1: Adult recipients of disability are granted benefits if they are unable to work due to a physical or
7 mental health impairment that has or is expected to last for at least 12 months. There are over 180,000
8 Kentucky residents who receive disability benefits; the state spends over \$1 billion on disability benefits
9 annually.

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11 Section 2: In order to reduce the amount of money spent on disability benefits, there should be annual
12 mental and/or physical evaluations for all recipients. This policy will ensure that all disability recipients are
13 genuine and in need of the support from the state.

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15 Section 3: All disability recipients will receive adequate notice of the date of their health screening. Any
16 disability recipient who does not complete their screening by the designated date will pay the following fines:
17 • 5% of benefits will be deducted after 30 days
18 • 10% of benefits will be deducted after 60 days
19 • All benefits will be revoked after 90 days

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21 Section 4: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services will be in charge of enforcing this law, as funding
22 for disability comes from the Social Security tax and is finalized through this department.

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24 Section 5: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2016.