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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill | Red Bill # 46 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 1 | | | | | | |
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1 An act to increase or re-establish funding in arts and humanities programs in grades K-12.
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: Arts and Humanities funding is vital to the development of children. The purpose of this bill is to
6 ensure that students all over Kentucky have access to fine arts education. This bill would guarantee that
7 Kentucky schools have the resources to provide their students with these programs in the mandatory years
8 K-8, and the optional 9-12. The following Arts and Humanities programs will be provided: Chorus/ Choir,
9 Drama/ Public Speaking and Visual Art. These courses can either be full year or only for a quarter,
10 depending on the schools need and grade level of the students. One teacher for every 30 students of each
11 discipline will be provided by the state. In case of a large district, that district can apply for more teachers, or
12 fund them out of their own budget if able. School with these programs already instituted will not receive
13 funding, the rest will go to other schools.
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15 Section 2: Finances for these programs will be provided by various organizations and by the Kentucky
16 Department of Education. Such organizations are the National Endowment for the Humanities, VSA
17 Kentucky, and the Kentucky Arts Council. Certified artists in the community can receive a stipend for a
18 workshop. Teachers of other disciplines (i.e. Language arts,) that are certified can double up as art teachers.
19 This will save money.
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21 Section 3: The bill will be enforced through performance testing and curriculum maps. Every school will be
22 required to send a full and in depth curriculum map detailing the topics to be covered during the course and
23 how they relate to Kentucky standards. At the end of the course, the teacher will submit a record of the
24 performance testing the students undertook.
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26 Section 4: Failure to deliver these reports will result in the measures below. If a school does not send in the
27 necessary documents and records, the following course of action will be taken. An official from the Kentucky
28 Department of Education will go to the school and help the district institute these programs. Additional
29 funds or resources will be provided at the discretion of the Kentucky Department of Education.
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31 Section 5: This bill will be enacted in the 2016-2017 school year.