

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Red BG 18						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
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1 An act to Require Drug Testing for Government Assistance Recipients Convicted of a Drug Charge
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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 individuals that have been convicted of any drug use or drug-related charge must report
6 for a series of drug tests to determine continued eligibility for government assistance.
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8 Section 2: For the purpose of this bill, government assistance includes Supplemental Nutrition
9 Assistance Program (SNAP) and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), known as Kentucky
10 Transitional Assistance Program (K-TAP) in Kentucky.
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12 Section 3: The mandatory test will be in the form of a urine test. All drug tests will be administered at
13 The Department for Community-Based Services, which have local branches throughout Kentucky
14 counties.
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16 Section 4: The hours for these branches will now be extended from 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM to 8:00 AM -
17 6:00 PM Monday through Friday.
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19 Section 5: Failure to pass a drug test will result in immediate loss of K-TAP and SNAP benefits.
20 Individuals that fail the drug test will be referred to The Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy:
21 Operation UNITE toll free treatment referral line. Individuals can have their benefits reinstated thirty
22 days after a failed drug test upon successfully passing another drug test.
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24 Section 6: Once an individual has passed a drug test for six consecutive months, they will be tested
25 only once every other month. Once an individual passes the series of drug tests for a period of 12
26 months, they will be tested every six months. The tests continue as long as they are enrolled in
27 government assistance.
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29 Section 7: Funding will come from the annual budget of The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family
30 Services, which is 480 million dollars total.
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32 Section 8: The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services will oversee the implementation,
33 enforcement, and regulation of this bill.
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35 Section 9: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2017.