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1 An act to Encourage Drum and Bugle Corps to Perform within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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

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5 Section 1; Drum and Bugle Corps (aka Drum corps and licensed under "Drum Corps International") are
6 traveling musical marching bands consisting of brass instruments, percussion, synthesizers, and color guard.
7 Groups perform worldwide. Participants around the world prepare all year to be accepted into these elite
8 groups. Once accepted, they spend summer performing their show, culminating at the International Finals
9 competition held in Indianapolis, Indiana, every August. All participants must be between the ages of 16-21.
10 All costs are paid by the members and through ongoing fundraising. Drum Corps experience enhances
11 physical abilities, athletic skills, musicianship and teamwork skills. The events at which they perform bring
12 together many creative art communities and generate significant revenue.

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14 Section 2; All colleges with stadiums with the capacity to accommodate at least 20,000 spectators are to
15 submit a request to host a drum and bugle corp event in an effort to bring this musical sporting event to the
16 state. These events will be carefully coordinated with local school and community officials. A 5% tax will be
17 levied on all profits. All remaining profits will be available for the host university's discretion.

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19 Section 3; All schools (high schools, home schools, and community colleges) that have marching band
20 programs will be asked to inform students of the opportunities afforded by participating in a Drum and Bugle
21 corp and encourage volunteer participation at the event.

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23 Section 4; The average ticket price for these events ranges between 35.00 to 60.00 dollars with an average
24 attendance of 14,000. Disregarding the substantial impact on tourism, the event would generate +/-
25 \$500,000 dollars in profits, thus yielding a tax revenue of approximately \$25,000 for the purpose of
26 scholarships and educational resources with an emphasis on music and the arts for at-risk kids.

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28 Section 5; There more than 15+ million relatives of current Drum and Bugle Corp members, and 25+ million
29 alumni. Six of Kentucky's seven bordering states host these events. Many Drums Corps groups pass through
30 Kentucky on their way to other exhibitions. Kentucky has a golden opportunity to capitalize on these
31 statistics.

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33 Section 6; The tax revenue collected shall be be divided 45-45-10 with 45% devoted to music and arts
34 education funding in at-risk areas, 45% devoted to financial aid for Kentucky students who are accepted
35 into Drum Corps groups but lack the means to the pay their entrance fees. And the remaining 10% to the
36 general budget for Kentucky.