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the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEN Commonwealth Bill	MBLY Referred to Committee: House 4
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School: Owensboro HS	House Senate
City: Owensboro	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

An act to extend the public school health curriculum to include sexual abuse education.

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

Section 1: In 2014, an act relating to sexual abuse and harassment education was introduced in the
state senate. This bill, titled Erin's Law, required Kentucky schools to provide age-appropriate sexual
abuse education to students in grades K-12. Less than a week after its proposal, the act was sent to
committee where it now ineffectively resides. The opposition of the bill, despite its good intentions,
was primarily due to the controversy over exposing elementary schoolers to such a mature subject
matter.

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Section 2: However, recognizing that almost fifty percent of Kentucky women, and twenty percent of
 Kentucky men will fall victim to sexual violence, it is imperative that young adults are taught to
 recognize and report sexual abuse.

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Section 3: This bill requires Kentucky's public high schools to implement sexual abuse education in the
 health curriculum; providing information on the subject of defining and reporting sexual harassment
 and assault.

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20 Section 4: The curriculum outline will be set by the state of Kentucky and distributed to school districts

throughout the state. Providing time for the creation of aforementioned curriculum, the bill would go
into effect beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.