 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	 BG 1	
	Referred to Committee: Senate 5	
	Action on the Bill	
Authors: Lilia Smithson, Mykell Sullivan, Cyrus Jaques, Jimmy Webb	House	Senate
School: Capital Day School	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed
City: Frankfort	<input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

An Act Relating To Limiting Homework in Public Schools

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

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Section 1: Research shows that too much homework leads to anxiety, depression, and anger. Student achievement levels decrease as more homework is assigned. According to studies, additional hours of homework can be hazardous to children’s long-term development.

Section 2: With less homework, students have more time to participate in extracurricular activities. These include sports, dance, gymnastics, martial arts, and other physical activities, as well as music, acting, academic team, and reading.

Section 3: There are currently no laws limiting homework in Kentucky. However, schools and districts in Vermont, Minnesota, Texas, and Florida have limited or banned homework.

Section 4: Kentucky public schools assign loads of homework upon all ages of students. This bill will limit schools to assigning no more than one hour of homework per day to students in grades 5-12.

Section 5: This bill will not cost any money to enforce. Schools that still assign more than one hour of homework to these grades will lose state funding each day they are not in compliance. This amount will be determined by the Kentucky Department of Education.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 2</p>			
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<p>Authors: Savannah James, Cruz Cima</p>				
<p>School: Corbin Intermediate</p>				
<p>City: Corbin</p>				

1 An Act Relating To mandated training when purchasing aggressive dog breeds in 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: This bill applies to purchasers of aggressive dogs.

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7 Section 2: Animals can be aggressive when they are put in unsuitable living conditions. Many

8 people see a dog and buy it without considering the needs of the dog as they age. When the dog

9 matures if it is not trained and socialised it can become aggressive. If not properly taken care of

10 these dogs will become a liability to the owner and a danger to their neighbors. People who buy

11 these animals must have the knowledge to appropriately train them how to behave with humans

12 and other dogs. This bill will require that all who want to own a dog deemed potentially dangerous

13 and aggressive meet a certain criteria in training and handling experience before being eligible to

14 purchase or adopt one.

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16 Section 3: This bill will not require any additional funding.

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18 Section 4: This bill will take place all throughout kentucky and will require those who want to own


19 a dog deemed aggressive to take a state mandated breed specific certification test.

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21 Section 5: This bill will be enforced at all shelters and with breeders of aggressive dogs.

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23 Section 6: This law will take place on July 1, 2019.

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	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Authors: KJ Johnson, Sydnee Savely	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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City: Franklin							

1 An Act Relating To Including Cycling Rules/Rights in Driver’s License Exam in 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: The Kentucky’s driver’s exam will include questions regarding information, rules, and rights of
6 cyclists.

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8 Section 2: Cycling refers to people using non-motorized transportation such as bicycles and
9 skateboards.

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11 Section 3: By incorporating the information, rules, and rights of cyclists in the Kentucky driver’s
12 license exam it will ensure that new drivers are aware of cyclists.


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14 Section 4: By makin drivers aware of the rules and rights of cycling it will lead to safer driving,
15 which in turn will promote cycling throughout the state of Kentucky. People who cycle more live
16 healthier lifestyles and this bill will be promoting this type of lifestyle.

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18 Section 5: There is no cost for this bill. When the Department of Transportation updates their
19 driver’s license exam they will update their manual and their test to include the cycling
20 information.

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22 Section 6: This bill will be enforce by Kentucky’s Department of Transportation.

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24 Section 7: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill will be hereby repealed.

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26 Section 8: This law will go into effect on January 1, 2020.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 6</p>			
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<p>Authors: Neely Clark, Mya Douglas, Lyniah Brown,</p> <p>School: Franklin-Simpson MS</p> <p>City: Franklin</p>				

1 An Act Relating To Legalizing Casino Gambling with the Tax Revenue going towards Teacher Salaries.

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

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5 Section 1: Casino Gambling will be legalized in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the tax revenue from
6 these casinos will go towards increasing the salaries of teachers.

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8 Section 2: Several forms of gambling already exist in Kentucky such as betting on horse racing and
9 charitable gaming. Legalizing casinos would attract many people and businesses into Kentucky.
10 Currently people are going across state lines to participate in casino gambling but legalizing this
11 in Kentucky would provide more income to our Commonwealth.


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13 Section 3: The purpose of this bill is to raise revenue that could then be used to increase the
14 salaries of teachers in Kentucky. Education is the most important way to ensure that our future is
15 bright but we have not been investing in the ones who are providing this education to our
16 students. If Kentucky wants to attract the best people into the profession of teaching then we
17 need to pay them a respectable amount.

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19 Section 4: This bill will not cost the taxpayer or the government but it will raise money that can be
20 used to pay teachers more.

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22 Section 5: This bill will lead to the creation of the Kentucky Gaming Commission which would be
23 created to enforce this bill.

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25 Section 6: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill will be hereby repealed.

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27 Section 7: This law will go into effect on January 1, 2020.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 7						
	Referred to Committee: House 5						
Authors: Ella Watwood, Aniyah Richardson, Noah Smith, Landon Pennycuff	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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1 An Act Relating To Removing the Tax on Inheritance in 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: This bill is an act to stop the Government from taking taxes out on inheritance money, less
6 than \$250,000, which you may receive from a deceased family member. Kentucky’s tax on inheritance is,
7 on average, between 4- 16 percent.

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9 Section 2: This bill is important because this will allow people to inherit more money, which has
10 already been taxed once, and this money will more than likely be put back into the local and state
11 communities which will help strengthen our local and state economies.


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13 Section 3: The consequences for not following this bill are as stated: if a lawyer, or other
14 government official are still found taxing the citizen on their inheritance after this bill goes into
15 effect, they will be sent to prison 1-3 years depending on the amount of money involved. The
16 lawyer or other government official will also be fined and fired/suspended.

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18 Section 4: This bill will not cost the taxpayer or government any money.

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20 Section 5: Government officials will make sure that the citizens inheriting the money will not get
21 taxed on their inheritance money.

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23 Section 6: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill are hereby repealed.

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25 Section 7: This law will go into effect starting on January 1, 2020.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	 BG 8						
		Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
Authors: Alyssa Dixon, Max Pelfrey, Taylan Hoskins, Sadie Justice		Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <td>House</td> <td>Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Hazard MS								
City: Hazard								

1 An Act To Require A School Resource Officer In All Schools In 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: A 'School Resource Officer' is a law enforcement officer assigned to a school. School Resource
6 Officers work for a local law enforcement agency but are placed in a local school system.

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8 Section 2: This bill will require all schools in Kentucky to have a school resource officer. School
9 resource officers will be present during normal school hours and during after school activities
10 upon request. School resource officers will be available to assist with school safety, bullying and
11 other disciplinary issues.


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13 Section 3: Funding for school resource officers will be a joint effort between state government,
14 local government and the school district. The local district's board of education will oversee the
15 hiring of each resource officer. Districts will have the following options for paying the school
16 resource officer: ` School Safety Grants (State or Federal) ` Local Occupational Tax ` Existing
17 School Budget

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19 Section 4: School districts that have difficulty recruiting or hiring a school resource officer should
20 work with local law enforcement agencies but may also request assistance from the Kentucky
21 Department of Education.

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23 Section 5: This bill will go into effect for the 2019-2020 school year.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 9</p>			
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<p>Authors: Kymyrah Huff</p> <p>School: Holmes MS</p> <p>City: Covington</p>				

1 An Act Relating To The Reduction Of Individual Motorist On The Road And The Use Of Public Transportation
 2 Within The Commonwealth.
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 4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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 6 Section 1: This bill is set in motion to provide funding for free public transportation to all major cities and
 7 surrounding Suburbs within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
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 9 Section 2: Currently only a small percentage of Kentucky’s Citizens use public transportation. This
 10 low percentage has caused the amount accident in the Commonwealth to remain higher than they
 11 could be. Beyond that, the amount of gas used by motorist daily can simply be seen as waste.
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 13 Section 3: By providing free public transportation to all major cities and surrounding Suburbs
 14 within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, motorist will now be able to have a more relaxing and
 15 enjoyable travel, since they will not have to drive and traffic will flow faster with less cars on the
 16 road. Since the transportation is free, more individuals will be willing to enjoy. public
 17 transportation as a smart and economic choice.
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 19 Section 4: In order to fund the renewed public transportation, a .5% tax on income, within
 20 counties across the commonwealth that house its major cities, will be enacted with the passing of
 21 this bill.
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 23 Section 5: This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the 2019 calendar year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 10						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Authors: Lindsey Zimlich, Bauer Bauer, Haley Klein, Carmen Kelly	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Oldham Co. MS							
City: LaGrange							

1 An Act Relating To Increasing the Age to Legally Buy E-Cigarettes from 18 Years Old to 21 YO

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

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5 Section 1: This bill would require all citizens of Kentucky to be 21 years of age in order to purchase any

6 type of e-cigarette.

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8 Section 2: This bill would make it less likely for high school or middle school students to buy and

9 use e-cigarettes. Research shows that your brain continues to grow into your 20's.

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11 Section 3: The cost for this bill to be implemented would be about \$800.

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13 Section 4: This will be implemented in any public place, (schools, stores, ect). If anyone under the


14 age of 21 is found with a vape or juul, s/he will be fined. For people under 18 years of age, s/he

15 will be fined \$200 per person when caught. If you are 18 years of age or older, the fine is \$125

16 per person.

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18 Section 5: This will start being enforced by the 2019-2020 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 12						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Authors: Nicholas Fuller, Noah Fuller, Logan Slechter, Tucker Embry	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Oldham Co. MS							
City: LaGrange							

1 An Act Relating To the Inspection of Meat Production in Stores at Least Once Every Two Months

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

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5 Section 1: This bill would require that meat is inspected once every two months to detect and prevent

6 public health hazards, such as food-borne pathogens and chemical contaminants in meat. Meat

7 inspection plays an integral part in the overall monitoring system of certain animal diseases and the

8 verification of compliance with animal welfare standards.

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10 Section 2: The goal of this bill is to avoid any meat that is in damaged, leaking, or in torn

11 packages, which has most likely been exposed to harmful bacteria.


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13 Section 3: Specifics: A. Inspecting Meat and Storage Containers -- Pay Rate = \$99.00/HR B. Audit

14 Fee = \$108.00

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16 Section 4: This law will go into effect in 2019-2020.

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	Referred to Committee: Senate 1				
	<p>Authors: BRYANNA PIERCE, Trey Stephens</p> <p>School: Russell Co. MS</p> <p>City: Russell Springs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action on the Bill</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> <td style="text-align: center;"> ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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1 An Act Relating To Allowing 50% of a Student's Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) Money
 2 to Be Used for Out-of-State Tuition

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


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 6 Section 1: The Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) money program is a state-funded
 7 program through the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) that provides scholarships
 8 to students who earn at least a 2.5 GPA each year of attendance at a certified Kentucky high school.
 9 Students may also earn awards for ACT/SAT scores and advanced placement and advanced international
 10 test scores.

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 12 Section 2: For each year you earn a 2.5 GPA or better you can earn what's called the base amount.
 13 For instance if a high school freshman gets a 3.6 GPA they would have a \$375 scholarship for
 14 each year of college. You can earn a bonus amount for every ACT score of 15 or above. A KEES-
 15 eligible student who earned a score of 25 or above would earn an additional \$393 each year of
 16 college. If you received a qualifying score on the (AP) (IB) or (CAI) exam you would earn a
 17 supplemental reward. The problem is that all monies acquired via KEES must be spent on in-state
 18 tuition for Kentucky colleges and universities.

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 20 Section 3: Passage of this bill would enable students flexibility in where they decide to attend
 21 college. If they decide to enroll outside of Kentucky, 50% of their accumulated KEES funds would
 22 be applicable to each year of college. KHEAA manages all funds for Kentucky students for each
 23 year they are in a Kentucky high school. As of now, that money is locked in to Kentucky colleges
 24 only. This bill would allow KHEAA to send 50% of a student's KEES allotment to any out-of-state
 25 school.

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 27 Section 4: This bill would not cost any money to go into effect. Furthermore, this bill would be
 28 saving Kentuckians money who have family members considering going to an out of state college.

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 30 Section 5: This bill will go into effect on July 1st, 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 16</p>						
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<p>Authors: Carlie Thurmond, Presley Sparks, Kensie Clayton</p>	<p>Action on the Bill</p> <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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<p>School: St. Joseph ES</p>							
<p>City: Shepherdsville</p>							

An Act Relating To body cameras worn by police

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Section 1: To require all police officers to wear body cameras on patrol. Kentucky needs this law to ensure the justice system is fair and protect the lives of innocent people.


Section 2: The police officers will be required to put on body worn cameras (BWC) . The BWC will be worn on their vests. The BWC will remain on the police officers until the patrol shift ends. According to www.americasquarterly.org the video recording from the police BWC can be used to capture the difficult encounters with the public. The BWC will serve as a third (3) eye and show not just a clip of what happened. BWCs improves behavior of the police and public. According to the National Institute of Justice when using BWC police and citizens are 70% less likely to use force. When the BWCs are worn the Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) closed 57% of allegations with video evidence.

Section 3: The money for the BWC will be provided by United States Department of Justice . The individual camera on average will cost approximately \$300 and the storage for that cameras will cost approximately \$200.

Section 4: The chief of police, from each county, will help to enforce this law.

Section 5: People who fail to abide by this law will be punished by the following: First offense: A warning will be given to the police who fails to wear their BWC on patrol. Second offence: One month probation will be given to the police who fail to wear their BWC.

Section 6: This bill will go into ninety (90) days after passage.

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	Referred to Committee: Senate 2				
Authors: Alex Evans, Caroline Mattingly, Cal Yates, Caleb Mattingly	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: St. Joseph ES					
City: Shepherdsville					

1 An Act Relating To murder charges if a minor is caught using their parent or guardians firearm

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

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5 Section 1: To require murder charges for a parent or guardian in the event of a firearm being used by a

6 minor. This law is needed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky because it will encourage parents and

7 guardians to lock up their firearms, and speak about gun safety therefore decreasing school shootings

8 and accidental child gun deaths.

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10 Section 2: A minor or a child in this case is a a person under the age of full legal responsibility or

11 eighteen (18). A firearm is a rifle, pistol, or other portable gun. This law will also apply to assault

12 rifles. This law will be applied to a parent or guardian which is a person who looks after and takes

13 care of a minor.

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15 Section 3: This bill will have no cost because there are no additional funds needed.

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17 Section 4: The police and Kentucky Court System will enforce this law.


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19 Section 5: The Penalty for this bill will be murder charges, placed on the parent or guardian in

20 addition to the minor being charged.

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22 Section 6: This bill will go into effect in ninety (90) days after passage.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 18</p>						
	<p>Referred to Committee:</p> <p>House 1</p>						
<p>Authors: Lauren Kessler, Avery Overmohle, Tess Priest</p>	<p>Action on the Bill</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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<p>School: St. Joseph Interparochial School</p>							
<p>City: Bowling Green</p>							


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An act relating to KRS Chapter 620: Dependency, Neglect, and Abuse.

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

Section 1: A new section of KRS Chapter 199 is created to read as follows: After 2 years (730 days), if a foster child’s biological parents are not eligible to have custody of their child and the foster parents prove they can take care of the individual, the paperwork for adoption should begin.

Section 2: This law shall go into effect January 1, 2020.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 20</p>					
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<p>Authors: Addison Wilcox, Elise Hart, Josie Horlander, Katelyn Miranda</p>						
<p>School: St. Margaret Mary Catholic School</p>						
<p>City: Louisville</p>						

1 An Act to require a judge to consider a child's input (age 10 or older) on divorce.

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

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5 Section 1: Judges in divorce hearings involving child custody are required to seek the input from the

6 children that are age ten or older.

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8 Section 2: If reasonable, the judge will consider the input when making a decision on custody.

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10 Section 3: A neutral third party should moderate and represent the child(ren) when the child(ren)

11 are speaking with the judge.


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13 Section 4: The judge and moderator will be in a separate room away from the parents to avoid

14 influence or intimidation from the parents.

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16 Section 5: This bill will go into effect on February 1, 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 21</p>						
	<p>Referred to Committee:</p> <p>House 2</p>						
<p>Authors: Gavin Forrest, Reese Nicholson, Ryan Shene, Audrey Kiefer</p>	<p>Action on the Bill</p> <table> <tr> <td>House</td> <td>Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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<p>School: St. Margaret Mary Catholic School</p>							
<p>City: Louisville</p>							

1 An Act to require metal grates be placed on all drain pipes that are large enough for an average size human
2 to fit in and within 100 feet of residential areas and schools.

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


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6 Section 1: 15-year old Davey Albright, a graduate of St. Margaret Mary School, died in August 2018 in
7 Louisville after being swept away by flash flooding into a nearby drain pipe that was not covered by a
8 grate. Just a few weeks later, an 8-year old boy in Morehead KY died in a similar fashion.

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10 Section 2: Currently in Kentucky, some pipes do have metal grates, but most do not. There are no
11 laws requiring grates be placed on certain sized pipes.

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13 Section 3: The metal grates would be placed on drain pipes that are large enough for an average
14 size human to fit in and within 100 feet of residential areas and schools.

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16 Section 4: The grates cost on average approximately \$1,500. The funds to cover the cost will
17 come from a slight raise in taxes for every taxpayer in the state. The department in every city and
18 individual neighborhood will be responsible for installing and maintaining the grates. The grounds-
19 keeping/maintenance department in each area will also be responsible for periodically removing
20 debris that accumulates around the grate. This will allow the water to still flow freely.

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22 Section 5: This bill will go into effect January 1st, 2020.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 22</p>			
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<p>Authors: Abby Domato, Alex Kuhn, Natalie Austin</p>				
<p>School: St. Mary Academy</p>				
<p>City: Prospect</p>				

An Act Relating to the Enforcement of the Equal Pay Act

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 337 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS (1) The KCHR (Kentucky Commission on Human Rights) will conduct a search of all companies and businesses every 2 years for pay inequalities. (2) If an employee complaint is submitted, this action will be taken immediately.


Section 2: In Kentucky, an African American man, on average, earns 73% of a white man's dollar. An Asian man earns 108% and a Hispanic man earns 70%. An Asian woman earns 87% of a white man's dollar while a white woman earns 82%. An African American woman earns 65% while a Hispanic woman earns 58%. In order to equally pay everyone in the state of Kentucky for the same work, we need to strictly enforce the Equal Pay Act.

Section 3: This bill aims to create a fair and just system in regards to the wage gap. Enforcing the Kentucky Civil Rights Act would allow men and women to provide for themselves and their families. Ending the pay gap will favorably affect many Kentuckians' lives.

Section 4: This bill will not cost any money because companies would be required to file their reports detailing pay by gender, race, and age. The KCHR would look over the collected data and investigate anomalies.

Section 5: Employers will be fined the regular charges stated in the KRS if found guilty of workplace discrimination.

Section 6: This Act will be enacted on July 1, 2019.

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	Referred to Committee: Senate 1				
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School: Taylor Co. MS					
City: Campbellsville					

1 An Act Relating To Drug Testing Individuals Who Are Unemployed To Receive Public Welfare

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

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5 Section 1: BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE ANNUAL YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF

6 KENTUCKY A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 205 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Drug tests

7 shall be administered to all public welfare recipients three times a year at a random time. (2) If a public

8 welfare recipient tests positive for an illegal substance, they will continue to receive welfare benefits until

9 they become a level three offender.

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11 Section 2: If a public welfare recipient tests positive for an illegal substance, they will be assigned

12 a caseworker in a behavior modification program. The caseworker will evaluate the offender, the

13 offender will be placed in one of three categories. A level one offender will be ordered to submit

14 to a follow up drug test thirty days after the initial drug test. If they pass the drug test, benefits

15 will continue. If they do not pass the drug test, they will be reclassified as a level two offender.

16 Level two offenders will be tested every month for a period of six months. If they have a positive

17 result during this time, they will be reclassified as a level three offender. Level three offenders

18 that are deemed to have a serious drug problem will be required to attend a drug rehabilitation

19 program


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21 Section 3: The costs for these drug tests is estimated to be nearly \$8,000,000. The savings will

22 come from welfare money that will not be supplied to people who test positive

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24 Section 4: Any statute contrary to this act shall be amended or repealed.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	 BG 25
		Referred to Committee: Senate 3
Authors: Gage Tucker, Abigayle Lee, Josh Clark, Jillian Schuhmann	Action on the Bill	
School: Taylor Co. MS	House	Senate
City: Campbellsville	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act Relating To Kentucky Animal Abuse

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

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5 Section 1: Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky KRS 525.130 is amended to read
6 as follows: 525.130 Cruelty to animals in the second degree A person is guilty of cruelty to animals in the second
7 degree when except as authorized by law he intentionally or wantonly: (a)overdrives, overloads, drives when
8 overloaded, overworks, tortures, torments, deprives of necessary sustenance, cruelly beats, mutilates or kills an
9 animal, or causes or procures an animal to be overdriven, overloaded, driven when overloaded, overworked, tortured,
10 tormented, deprived of necessary sustenance, cruelly beaten, mutilated or killed; and whoever uses in a cruel or
11 inhuman manner in a race, game, or contest, or in training therefor, as lure or bait a live animal, except an animal if
12 used as lure or bait in fishing; and whoever, having the charge or custody of an animal, either as owner or otherwise,
13 inflicts unnecessary cruelty upon it, or unnecessarily fails to provide it with proper food, drink, shelter, sanitary
14 environment, or protection from the weather, and whoever, as owner, possessor, or person having the charge or
15 custody of an animal, cruelly drives or works it when unfit for labor, or willfully abandons it, or carries it or causes it
16 to be carried in an unnecessarily cruel or inhuman manner or in a way and manner which might endanger the animal
17 carried thereon, or knowingly and willfully authorizes or permits it to be subjected to unnecessary torture, suffering
18 or cruelty of any kind.


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20 Section 2: Nothing in this section shall apply to the killing of animals: (a) Pursuant to a license to hunt, fish, or trap;
21 (b) Incident to the processing as food or for other commercial purposes; (c) For humane purposes; (d) For veterinary,
22 agricultural, spaying or neutering purposes; (e) For bona fide animal research activities of institutions of higher
23 education; or a business entity registered with the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare
24 Act or subject to other federal laws governing animal research; (f) In defense of self of another person against an
25 aggressive or diseased animal; (g) In defense of a domestic animal against an aggressive or diseased animal; (h) For
26 animal or pest control; or (i) For any other purpose authorized by law.

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28 Section 3: Activities of animals engaged in hunting, field trials, dog training other than training a dog to fight for
29 pleasure or profit, and other activities authorized either by a hunting license or by the Department of Fish and
30 Wildlife shall not constitute a violation of this section.

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32 Section 4: Cruelty to animals in the second degree is a Class A misdemeanor.

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34 Section 5: If a person is convicted of or pleads guilty to an offense under subsection (1) of this section arising from
35 the person's treatment of an equine, the court may impose one (1) or both of the following penalties against the
36 person, in addition to fines and

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38 Section 6: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Bluegrass Bill</p>	<p> BG 26</p>						
	<p>Referred to Committee:</p> <p>Senate 2</p>						
<p>Authors: Nick Alexander, Kaylee Bolin, Ben Walton, Max Rice</p>	<p>Action on the Bill</p> <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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<p>School: Walton-Verona MS</p>							
<p>City: Walton</p>							

1 An Act Relating To changing the grading scale for all schools making 90 an A

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

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5 Section 1: The purpose of this bill is to provide a fair and equal grading scale for all Kentucky high school

6 students. A grade of a 90 will be an A.

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8 Section 2: Because schools have different standards in achieving an A, many students are not

9 earning the KEES money that they deserve. This puts them at a disadvantage in earning money for

10 college.

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12 Section 3: This bill will not cost school districts money to enforce.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 1						
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School: Boston ES - Nelson Co.							
City: Boston							

1 An Act to change the first offense for animal torture from a class A misdemeanor to a class D felony

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

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5 Section 1: This bill will change the first offense of torture of a dog or cat from a class A misdemeanor to

6 a class D felony. A class D felony will charge a fine of \$1,000 - \$10,000 including 1 to 5 years in prison.


7 The second offense of torture of a dog or cat from a class D felony to a class C felony.

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9 Section 2: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky state and local police department or sheriff.

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11 Section 3: This bill will be enacted by January 1, 2019.

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Authors: Taylor Hatfield, Clay Arnold, Kayla Hanvey, Kaili Dennis						
School: Bourbon Co. MS						
City: Paris						

1 An Act Relating To Kentucky’s public schools Site Based Decision Making Council.
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 156 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1): All public
6 schools in the state of Kentucky will be required to include two students on the Site Based Decision
7 Making Council. (2): The students interested in being on the council will first write a letter requesting to
8 be put on the council. For their qualifications they must have attended the school for at least six months
9 and have a grade point average of a 3.0 or higher to qualify for the position. Their applications will then
10 be given to the teachers without any name on the application. The only form of identification that the
11 students will have is their student ID number. The applicants will be narrowed down to four students by
12 the teachers. The teachers will vote on whose application is the best fit for the position on the council.
13 The four chosen students will be interviewed by the Site Based Council and they will choose the two best
14 students to fill the positions on the council.
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16 Section 2: Section 2: This law shall go into effect at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 3						
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Authors: Zachary Clifton, Tanner Smallwood, Jade Jones, Riley Childers	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Corbin MS							
City: Corbin							

An Act Relating To eye tests with children in public schools


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

Section 1: This will affect all students in public schools in Kentucky.


Section 2: Considering Kentucky as one of the worst-ranked states in Healthcare, this Legislation will put Kentucky on track to improve. According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), 'Interventions are most useful before the disease begins to develop or in early stages of development. Screening and early treatment for most of the major blinding eye diseases are available and some are also very cost-effective', with this in mind our legislation is proposing that all government funded schools be required to provide students who haven't provided the school with proof of an exam, a free eye test to determine whether or not the student will need further examination or not. If the student is found to need further examination these students will be responsible for the cost of the exams, considering the fact that the people who need financial assistance will receive appropriate funding courtesy of various government programs.

Section 3: This bill will take plane in all public schools in the state of Kentucky.

Section 4: This bill will take effect as of July 1, 2019 to prepare for the 2019-2020 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 4						
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School: Corbin MS							
City: Corbin							

1 An Act Relating To terminate parent rights after two years in the foster care system
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: This act will affect all biological parents and their children who are in the foster care system.
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7 Section 2: Over 9,000 children are currently in the foster care system in Kentucky. With just a
8 little over 2,000 children who are adoptable. At the two year mark if the child's birth parents
9 remain unfit to give them proper care, they will lose all parental rights permanently. Which will
10 make the child a ward of the state, allowing them to be adopted into a family fit to take care of
11 them.
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13 Section 3: This act will be enforced by social services and local family courts within the state of
14 Kentucky.
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16 Section 4: This bill requires no additional funding.
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18 Section 5: This bill will be effective July 1, 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 5</p>			
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<p>Authors: Cohen Miller, Ella Nash, Luke Beaver, Haley Bradshaw</p>				
<p>School: Daviess Co. MS</p>				
<p>City: Owensboro</p>				

An Act Relating To Funeral Benefits for Veterans


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

Section 1: The average cost of a funeral is between \$7,000 and \$10,000. The Federal government only pays an average of \$300.00 to offset funeral expenses from the VA for veterans who have passed away. A large portion of these veterans' families cannot afford the large amount for a funeral. Proper burial is a crucial right for those who have served the nation and our Commonwealth.

Section 2: To pay for this noble endeavor, funds that are ordinarily budgeted to unnecessary programs will be diverted to the Veteran Funeral Fund such as Bluegrass State Games, Frankfort cafeterias operated by the Department of Parks, state tree nurseries, etc.

Section 3: The bill will go into effect January 1, 2020 so the system will have adequate amount of time develop before it is implemented.

Section 4: The people that would qualify for this bill have to be a native of Kentucky and have to have served in the military for at least one full enlistment, or been honorably discharged before the end of their term. Qualifying veterans must also have lived a majority of their lives in the Commonwealth, excluding their time in military service.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 8</p>			
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<p>Authors: Jake Carter, Alex Thurman, Wade Humphrey, Carmine Cook</p>				
<p>School: Franklin-Simpson MS</p>				
<p>City: Franklin</p>				

1 An Act Relating To Increasing the Number of Guidance Counselors in the Kentucky Schools.

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

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5 Section 1: The number of guidance counselors for Kentucky schools must be at least one guidance
6 counselor for every 300 students.

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8 Section 2: The job of the guidance counselor is no longer just meeting with students concerning
9 social issues but has evolved into many different roles. Guidance Counselors tend to be in charge
10 of scheduling and a variety of programs within the school. With more guidance counselors in the
11 schools it will provide students with more access to counseling opportunities for social and
12 mental issues.


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14 Section 3: With the adoption of the new Kentucky graduation requirements the role of the
15 guidance counselor is more important than ever when it comes to advising what classes and
16 pathways to take, internship opportunities, and scholarship information.

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18 Section 4: This would increase the amount of Guidance Counselors in most schools and would be
19 funded through the Kentucky Department of Education after the next budget year for the
20 Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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22 Section 5: This will law will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education.

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24 Section 6: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill will be hereby repealed.

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26 Section 7: This law will go into effect on August 1, 2020.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 9						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Authors: Ava Douglas, Lily Jackson, Leah Gardner, Kennedy Alexander	Action on the Bill <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td style="text-align: center;">___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Franklin-Simpson MS							
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1 An Act Relating To Reducing Pollution in Kentucky by Charging a Price on Plastic Bags in Retail Businesses.

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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 retail businesses will charge 10 cents per plastic bag, after the initial 3 free bags.

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7 Section 2: The purpose of the bill is to encourage people to use reusable bags and by doing so, we
8 are reducing pollution in Kentucky.

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10 Section 3: The money collected from the bag purchases will go to the Kentucky Department for
11 Environmental Protection. This department promotes human health and the environment through a
12 variety of programs including, but not limited to, waste management, division of water, and
13 division of air quality.

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15 Section 4: Consequences for not following this new law: 1st Offense: Warning, 2nd Offense:
16 \$1,000 fine, 3rd Offense: \$5,000, 4th Offense: 20 day store suspension, and 5th Offense: Store
17 is closed.

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19 Section 5: The Commonwealth of Kentucky will be gaining money from this bill with the revenue
20 going to the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection.

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22 Section 6: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Revenue.

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24 Section 7: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill will be hereby repealed.

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26 Section 8: This law will go into effect on January 1, 2020.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 11						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 5						
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An Act To Establish A Tax Free Weekend In Kentucky

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

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Section 1: This bill establishes a sales tax holiday each year the last weekend in July. The sales tax holiday will begin on the last Friday in July at 12:01 a.m. and end that Sunday at 11:59 p.m.

Section 2: During the sales tax holiday, consumers will not pay state or local sales tax on clothing, school and art supplies that cost \$100 or less per item and computers that cost \$1,500 or less.

Section 3: The sales tax holiday provides savings for families preparing to send their children back to school and will allow all Kentuckians to take advantage of this tax break on necessary clothing and supplies before the start of a new school year.

Section 4: This bill will come at no additional cost to the state of Kentucky. Sales tax revenue lost during this holiday will be made up by an increase in out-of-state shoppers and increased spending on taxable items such as gas, dining or entertainment.

Section 5: The KY Department of Revenue is responsible for the administration of this tax law. This bill will go into effect July 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 12</p>				
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<p>School: Mason Co. MS</p>					
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An act relating to bonus for foster parents

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

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Section 1: In order to increase the number of foster parents in Kentucky, this bill requires Kentucky government to include a sign on bonus for foster parents.

Section 2: This bill will be enforced by the state of Kentucky

Section 3: This bill will entail Kentucky's government to have an increase in sales taxes from 6% to 7%.

Section 4: Upon this bill being passed, foster parents will receive a sign on bonus of: 1,000 dollars.

Section 5: This will go into effect in January of 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 13</p>					
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<p>Authors: Ethan Blevins, Landon Shaw</p>						
<p>School: McKell MS</p>						
<p>City: South Shore</p>						

1 An Act To Require Certified School Employees to Have and Operate a Firearm.

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

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5 Section 1: In 2018 according to Washington Post, 31 people died in school shootings, including hundreds
6 of fatalities. Every one of these were in a gun fire zone. As Fox News stated 99% of shootings happen in
7 a Gun Free Zone, this includes Public Schools.

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9 Section 2: This bill will arm certified school personnel which includes teachers, principals,
10 counselors, etc.

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12 Section 3: Certified Personnel will be armed with the current Kentucky State Police standard
13 issued firearm (Glock 19- 9mm)


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15 Section 4: Each certified employee will undergo and thorough qualification process, similar to the
16 Concealed Weapon Permit qualifications.

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18 Section 5: The cost associated with ammunition and firearms will be provided by general budget of
19 the Commonwealth of Kentucky. (Department of Education, Kentucky Justice System, and General
20 Budget.

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22 Section 6: Each firearm will be checked in and out each day from a safe, which is also were they
23 will be stored each night.

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25 Section 7: Each certified employee who carry a firearm will be able to apply with the state for
26 Hazardous Duty Retirement instead of their original Teacher Retirement. Not all teachers are
27 required to carry firearms, however for equal distribution 75% of the school

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29 Section 8: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2020 to ensure time to arm and qualify staff.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 14</p>					
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<p>Authors: Caroline Johnson, Kailey Greenwell</p>						
<p>School: Oldham Co. MS</p>						
<p>City: LaGrange</p>						

1 An Act Relating To Carbon Dioxide fire extinguishers in every classroom in Kentucky’s public schools

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


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5 Section 1: This bill will require every classroom in Kentucky to have a Carbon Dioxide fire extinguisher in
6 the room.

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8 Section 2: Kentucky has had four mass shootings, resulting in nineteen (19) deaths and twenty-five (25)
9 injured, not including other shootings such as the one in Sandy Hook. With this bill, teachers will have a
10 form of defense rather than a gun, which many disagree with, or a knife and bat which requires the teacher
11 to get close to the shooter. The teacher can stand up to thirty feet away from the shooter, spraying them
12 with the fire extinguisher, causing oxygen to be removed from the lungs and ice burns on the face and in
13 the mouth, nose, and eyes. The shooter will go into panic, gripping their neck trying to access air and drop
14 their weapon.

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16 Section 3: To pay for Carbon Dioxide Fire Extinguishers, at the end of the 2018-2019 school year, (Option
17 A) all families will pay a required three dollars (\$3). If every family pays, we will have over \$1,650,000
18 which will cover the needed payment for the fire extinguishers, which will be bought from Home Depot
19 every twenty years. If we use this form of payment, families are required to pay by the end of the 2018-
20 2019 school year. However, another form of payment is federal grants. (Option B) We can ask the
21 government for money to pay for the fire extinguishers after school districts submit their total amount of
22 classrooms by the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Things will not be rushed, but the fire extinguishers
23 must be in every classroom before the 2021-2022 school year. Since the fire extinguishers last roughly
24 twenty years, families and the government won’t be paying for fire extinguishers every year.

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26 Section 4: Teachers will be trained the summer before the 2019-2020 school year if we use payment
27 Option A which will be the first year that the fire extinguishers are present in the classroom. If payment
28 Option B is used, the teachers will be trained the summer before the fire extinguishers are present in the
29 classrooms. Teachers will be trained in Frankfort, the total cost only being around \$4,000. They will be
30 trained how to operate the fire extinguisher correctly under stressful circumstances.

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32 Section 5: If this were to become a law, over 685,167 students and 42,769 teachers will be safe.

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	Referred to Committee: House 5				
	<p>Authors: Aurora Rothgerber, Sophie Imler, Mallory Starke</p> <p>School: Oldham Co. MS</p> <p>City: LaGrange</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action on the Bill</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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1 An Act Relating To More Extensive Background Checks for the Purchase of Firearms

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

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5 Section 1: Currently, there is a federal requirement for those who sell guns to obtain a permit and go through a
6 background check, but one is not required to issue his/her own background check to those purchasing a firearm. This
7 allows drug abusers and those with mental illnesses to transfer a firearm without question. We propose that Kentucky
8 legislators issue an extensive background check to prevent those who are unsuited to own or operate firearms from
9 doing so.


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11 Section 2: In this background check, a drug test and medical history of drug abuse will be an important factor. There
12 are several reported homicide cases of those who were under the influence of an illegal substance while using a gun.
13 Drugs have the ability to give someone excessive confidence that can lead one to do something s/he wouldn't
14 normally do. Innocent people are shot and killed simply because someone was acting irresponsibly. By including a drug
15 test, it can prevent unsuitable people from being able to purchase firearms.

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17 Section 3: Another aspect to this background check would be an investigation of current or past mental disease.
18 According to research in the Law and Public Behavior publication, at least 59% of the 185 public mass shootings that
19 occurred in the United States from 1900 through 2017 were carried out by people who had either been diagnosed
20 with a mental disorder or demonstrated signs of serious mental illness prior to the attack. Our public needs to know
21 and recognize that mental illnesses are no one's fault, and this should not be considered a punishment. However, it
22 would ensure safety to both potential victims and shooters if firearms were not available to those suffering from a
23 mental illness.


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25 Section 4: The average cost for a statewide criminal test is about \$15.00, but deeper, nationwide criminal tests are
26 about \$35.00. To ensure the best safety of Kentucky citizens, the more extensive criminal test will be required. The
27 standard drug test costs \$30.00 or less per customer, per test. Therefore, each of these tests will cost around
28 \$65.00. Consumers planning on purchasing a gun must be prepared to pay for the background check, as it will be
29 required for the purchase of the firearm.

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31 Section 5: While someone could already own a gun or purchase one and then acquire problems with drugs and
32 psychological behavior, this is a solution to assure safety more frequently and consistently. Every three years, owners
33 of firearms will be required to update h

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35 Section 6: By implementing this background check, Kentuckians will be able to safely transfer firearms to responsible
36 adults who are capable of acquiring a gun. Due to past incidents, it is time for citizens of Kentuckians to recognize
37 how serious of a problem this is.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 16						
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School: Rockcastle Co. MS							
City: Mt. Vernon							

1 An Act to require all Kentucky public schools to shorten their week to four 8 hour days.
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: This bill would require all public school systems to alter their school calendars to create four
6 day school weeks. A shortened week will give students more time to spend with family, extracurricular
7 activities, and enjoy being kids.
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9 Section 2: Kentucky law states that public schools must have 170 instructional days in a school
10 year. This new law would shorten that to 150 days. It would be up to local school boards to
11 decide on the start and finish times and the day in the week that they will not have school. It will
12 also be up to the school board to decide whether or not to shorten or take away school holidays.
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14 Section 3: This bill will not cost any money to implement. It will save school systems money on
15 transportation and operating costs
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17 Section 4: This bill will go into effect before the 2019-2020 school year.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 17</p>						
	<p>Referred to Committee:</p> <p>Senate 2</p>						
<p>Authors: Mason Buras, Lakyn Stearns, Maleah Preston, Rachel Webb</p>	<p>Action on the Bill</p> <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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<p>School: Russell Co. MS</p>							
<p>City: Russell Springs</p>							

1 An act relating to adding a \$0.01 sales tax per dollar on pet food to fund and provide animal shelters with
2 their needs.

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


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6 Section 1: Each year in the state of Kentucky, thousands of animals are born because of uncontrolled
7 breeding and irresponsible pet owners. This results in many animals being abandoned, without a home, or
8 in putrid living conditions where basic needs such as food, immunizations, and necessary medical
9 treatments are not met. Thankfully, animal shelters exist around our state that look out for the well being
10 of some of these needy animals.

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12 Section 2: Out of the 90 Kentucky animal shelters only 12% are able to provide acceptable care to
13 animals due to a lack of funding. Because of this alarming statistic, it is crucial for us to act
14 immediately to ensure animal shelters have necessary funding to improve facilities, provide the
15 basic needs of animals, and funds to spay and neuter the animals. Many shelters are overcrowded,
16 do not have room to bath the animals, or isolate sick ones. The Kentucky Humane Shelter Act,
17 which was passed in 2004, requires these needs to be met. However, money is needed to ensure
18 this occurs. This \$0.01 tax per dollar would go directly towards correcting these issues.

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20 Section 3: The tax on pet food will be collected from pet distribution companies through the
21 Kentucky Department of Revenue, and will be transferred to the General Fund. Funds from the
22 General Fund will be transferred to the Kentucky Humane Society, and the Department of Revenue
23 will oversee proper use of funds.

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25 Section 4: The cost for this bill would only be the \$0.01 tax per dollar on pet food. There would be
26 no additional costs and would only impact folks who buy pet food.

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28 Section 5: This bill will go into effect on July 1st, 2019.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	 CW 18
		Referred to Committee: Senate 3
Authors: Lucia Reynoso, Alex Englund, Valentina Moreno	Action on the Bill	
School: Sacred Heart Model ES	House	Senate
City: Louisville	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act Relating To providing increased access to and education about healthy foods through the Kentucky
2 Association of Food Banks (KAFB).

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

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6 Section 1: KRS Chapter 411 will be amended to create section .244 which would read as follows: Food
7 banks participating in the KAFB will be required to distribute fresh and/or frozen foods to patrons of the
8 KAFB once each month.


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10 Section 2: As a part of the program, KAFB members distributing this food also will offer
11 educational information to patrons that provide assistance in preparation and use of healthy
12 foods.

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14 Section 3: Educational information will be prepared with the assistance of the KY Department t of
15 Agriculture and will show both the sources of and the uses of the fresh or frozen food.

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17 Section 4: Fresh and/or frozen foods supplied to the KAFB members will be procured with grants
18 through the US Department of Agriculture and/or corporate donations.

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20 Section 5: Partnerships with wholesale grocery distributors will be pursued as source of fresh
21 and/or frozen foods.

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23 Section 6: This program will be enacted upon approval.

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		Referred to Committee: Senate 4						
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School: Sacred Heart Model ES								
City: Louisville								

1 An Act Relating To the enhancement of literacy intervention programs for grades 4-7 in KY.

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

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5 Section 1: KRS 158.840(section 1C) will be amended to include specific requirements for reading

6 evaluations and interventions following 3rd and 6th grade CATS Testing

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8 Section 2: Currently in KY there are three tiers of intervention for students identified as reading

9 below grade level. This amendment will focus specifically on students entering 4th and 7th grade

10 as they prepare for middle and high school.

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12 Section 3: A fourth tier for the existing state intervention program will be created to focus

13 specifically on 4th grade and 7th grade students. This intervention program will expand the

14 current program by adding special weekly reading strategies classes and providing supplemental

15 electronic materials to be used for home reading programs.

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17 Section 4: CATS scores will be evaluated each year for the students placed in the Tier 4 programs

18 to evaluate their progress and make annual adjustments to the programs as needed.

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20 Section 5: This program will be overseen by the Kentucky Department of Education.

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22 Section 6: The costs of this program will be covered with grant funding from national literacy

23 programs to cover expenses of electronic materials such as I pads and additional materials to be

24 used by students in need of intervention.

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26 Section 7: Implementation of the program will begin after reviewing the 2019 CATS scores.

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	Referred to Committee: House 2				
	<p>Authors: Bessie Kelley, Elle Paris, Jace Taila, Alex Kron</p> <p>School: Sacred Heart Model ES</p> <p>City: Louisville</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action on the Bill</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> <td style="text-align: center;"> ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated </td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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1 An Act Relating To the expansion of suicide prevention programs in Kentucky schools.

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

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5 Section 1: KRS 156.095 (section 6.b) is amended as follows: All public schools in KY must provide face to
6 face research-based suicide prevention programs to students in grades 6-12 a minimum of two times
7 during the school year, one to occur in September and one in April.


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9 Section 2: This amendment will provide uniform factual and educational research-based
10 information to students in public schools throughout the state of KY on the topic of suicide
11 prevention.

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13 Section 3: The amendment requires two researched-based face to face educational sessions;
14 however the program will outline a recommendation of three to four sessions that can be used.

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16 Section 4: Sessions will include ways for students to become aware of assistance programs, signs
17 of suicide, and effects of suicide. The April session will include parents and family members in an
18 effort to increase adult awareness of signs, prevention, and resources.

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20 Section 5: The funding for these research-based suicide prevention programs will be obtained
21 through grants and corporate donation/sponsorship programs.

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23 Section 6: This bill will be enacted during the 2019-2020 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 21						
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School: St. Joseph ES							
City: Shepherdsville							

1 An Act Relating To fentanyl protection gear to be available to first responders

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

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5 Section 1: This bill will require fentanyl protection gear to be readily available to first responders at their
6 department building. This bill will save the lives of first responders who come in contact with the deadly
7 opioid.


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9 Section 2: Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid pain reliever for treating severe pain, it typically is used
10 for cancer patients. Fentanyl is illegally bought and abused for its heroine-like effect. Less than
11 two (2) milligrams of this potent substance can kill you in the span of mere minutes. This law is
12 needed in Kentucky because Kentucky is among the top ten (10) states with the highest opioid-
13 related overdose deaths. Also, in 2017 ten (10) people out of nineteen (19) died of fentanyl in
14 Nelson County, Kentucky.

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16 Section 3: The average cost of one set of protection gear is approximately fifty (50) dollars. The
17 department that receives the gear will pay for the cost. Departments will be required to have one
18 set of protection per every ten (10) active first responders.

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20 Section 4: Department inspectors will make sure the protection gear is available. The department
21 itself is also responsible for ensuring the safety of their first responders.

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23 Section 5: There are no penalties because it is a requirement for the departments to have these
24 available for all first responders. If they don't have it, it will be the departments responsibility to
25 get this gear.

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27 Section 6: This bill will go into effect one hundred twenty (120) days after passage.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 22</p>					
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<p>Authors: Emma Dones, Lilly Meredith, Maggie Higdon, Ella Filiatreau</p>						
<p>School: St. Joseph ES</p>						
<p>City: Shepherdsville</p>						

An Act Relating To hotline numbers being given out at schools

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

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Section 1: To require public schools in Kentucky to give students in grades five (5) through twelve (12) a number to call to report abuse by a parent or guardian. The Commonwealth of Kentucky needs this law to ensure the safety of students outside of school.

Section 2: Students may call this number if they want to report abuse at home. The number given to students will be the National Child Abuse Hotline (1-800) 422-4453. This number will be given to grades five (5) through twelve (12) in their physical education class. The physical education teacher will discuss reasons to call the number, gives examples of abuse reported, and what consequences will be implemented if false abuse is reported.


Section 3: No additional funding will be needed.

Section 4: The Kentucky Cabinet of Health and Family Services (KCHFS) will enforce this bill as well as the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) after passage.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect the next school year.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	 CW 23						
		Referred to Committee: House 4						
Authors: Caden Boren, Matt Rice, Wilson O'Daniel, Savannah Clark		Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <td>House</td> <td>Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: St. Joseph ES								
City: Shepherdsville								

1 An Act Relating To mental health doctor visits without the consent of a parent of legal guardian
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: To amend statute KRS 214.185 section two to read 'Any physician may provide outpatient
6 mental health counseling to any minor upon request of such minor without the consent of a parent,
7 parents, or guardian of such minor' instead of 'outpatient mental health counseling to any child age
8 sixteen (16)' This law will essentially eliminate the age to get mental health help. Kentuckians need this
9 bill because it can save a child's life who may not be able to get help otherwise.
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11 Section 2: Physicians can currently diagnose and treat minors regarding venereal disease, alcohol
12 or other drug abuse or addiction, contraception, pregnancy and childbirth without consent of a
13 parent. However, for outpatient mental health, the child must be sixteen (16) years or older. Our
14 bill will change this, eliminating that sixteen (16) year requirement. Suicide is the second leading
15 cause of death in Kentucky in ages 10-34. According to the Department of Behavioral Health,
16 Development and Intellectual Disabilities (DHDID) 776 people committed suicide in 2017.
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18 Section 3: This bill does not require funding.
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20 Section 4: Kentucky Cabinet of Health and Family Services will enforce this bill.
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22 Section 5: There are no penalties for this bill.
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24 Section 6: This bill will go into effect three (3) months after passage.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 24</p>			
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<p>Authors: John David Abbott, Sofia Martin, Kayja Moses</p>				
<p>School: St. Joseph Interparochial School</p>				
<p>City: Bowling Green</p>				


1 An act relating to making it illegal to leave or confine any animal in a vehicle where physical injury to or death
 2 of the animal is likely to result.

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

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 6 Section 1: Section 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 258 IS TO READ AS FOLLOWS: It is illegal to
 7 leave or confine any animal in an unattended vehicle where physical injury to or death of the animal is
 8 likely to result due to heat, cold, starvation, or lack of adequate ventilation.

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 10 Section 2: Section 2. This will not incur any additional costs to the state of Kentucky.

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 12 Section 3: Section 3. Any offenses will be deemed a Class A misdemeanor and will be punishable
 13 by a fine of no less than \$100 and up to, but no greater than \$500.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 25</p>			
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<p>Authors: Ella Moran, Sophia Sarrantonio</p>				
<p>School: St. Leo ES</p>				
<p>City: Versailles</p>				


An Act Relating To Veterinarians Reporting Animal Abuse

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

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Section 1: KRS 321.185 (3)(a) A veterinarian shall not violate the confidential relationship between the veterinarian and the veterinarian’s client. (3)(b) A veterinarian shall not release information concerning a client or care of a client’s animal, except on the veterinarian’s receipt of: (3)(b)(1) A written authorization or other form of waiver executed by the client; or (3)(b)(2) An appropriate court order or subpoena

Section 2: KRS 321.185 is amended to add the following: (3)(b)(3) Reporting to local humane society or law enforcement for reasonable cause that the patient has been abused, tortured, or neglected as stated in KRS 525.125, KRS 525.130, and KRS 525.135. (3)(c)(1) Penalty: For a first offense, if the veterinarian fails to report suspected abuse, torture, or neglect of a patient, the veterinarian will be required to pay a fine of \$500.00. For a second and subsequent offense, the veterinarian will be required to pay a \$1000.00 fine and will be reported to the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	 CW 26	
	Referred to Committee: Senate 4	
	Action on the Bill	
Authors: Peyton Burnham, Will Boehm, Chase Dillon, Abby Ayre	House	Senate
School: St. Margaret Mary Catholic School	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed
City: Louisville	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act related to public health by increasing the minimum age for people to buy and use tobacco products to
2 21.


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

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6 Section 1: It shall be unlawful for a person under the age of twenty one (21) years to purchase or receive
7 or to attempt to purchase or receive a tobacco product, alternative nicotine product or vapor product. It
8 shall not be unlawful for such a person to accept receipt of a tobacco product, alternative nicotine
9 product or vapor product from an employer when required in the performance of the person's duties, or if
10 such person is on active military duty.

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12 Section 2: No person shall sell any tobacco product, alternative nicotine product or vapor product
13 to any person under the age of twenty one (21) years

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15 Section 3: Any person violating this statute must pay a fine of no less than \$500 for the first
16 violation, and \$1,000.00 for each successive violations.

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18 Section 4: This bill will go into effect on January 21, 2019. This bill amends KRS 438.311 and KRS
19 438.310 which currently have an 18 year minimum age for tobacco use.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	 CW 27
		Referred to Committee: Senate 2
Authors: Eden Jessie, Zach Blincoe, Emma Barry, Ellie Neil	Action on the Bill	
School: St. Margaret Mary Catholic School	House	Senate
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1 An Act relating to retail stores that sell major electronics to provide a free electronic takeback recycling
2 program.

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

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6 Section 1: Require retail stores that sell major electronics to establish a takeback program that is
7 convenient and free for customers and recycle the electronics collected through that takeback program.
8 The retail store must register with the Kentucky Department of Waste Management and submit their
9 takeback program plan. The plan must include the name(s) of the certified recycler they will work with.
10 The retail store must also keep records of the products sent to the recycler. A one-time \$250 fee is
11 required at registration. A certified recycler must register with the Kentucky Department of Waste
12 Management. The recycler must comply with all federal and state rules for recycling. They must also
13 destroy all data on hard drives and other data storage devices. Finally, a recycler must maintain records
14 showing where the material from their facility is received from and sent to.

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16 Section 2: Major electronics are defined and categorized as: personal computers, monitors,
17 televisions, phones/tablets, printers, and video game consoles. Major electronics with a screen
18 that is less than 4 inches measured diagonally are excluded from the requirements of this bill.
19 Retail stores are only required to take back major electronics that are in the same category of
20 electronics as what is sold in that store.


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22 Section 3: Retail stores that have sold 50 or fewer major electronics in the past year per category
23 are excluded from the requirements of this bill.

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25 Section 4: A retail store must only accept 3 major electronics per person in a single day.

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27 Section 5: A retail store must advertise the takeback program in the retail store.

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29 Section 6: Retail stores that do not comply with the bill are first given a 30-day warning. If the
30 retail store is still not in compliance after this time, a fine of \$250 per month will be issued.

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32 Section 7: This bill takes effect 6 months after it is passed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 28</p>						
	<p>Referred to Committee:</p> <p>Senate 3</p>						
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<p>School: St. Margaret Mary Catholic School</p>							
<p>City: Louisville</p>							

1 An Act to eliminate single-use plastic straws from restaurants.

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

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5 Section 1: This bill is to prohibit full service restaurants from providing customers single-use straws,
6 unless requested by the consumer.

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8 Section 2: This bill is necessary because single-use plastic straws are harmful to the environment,
9 are not biodegradable, create litter, clog drainage systems, and hurt or kill animals through
10 ingestion and entanglement.

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12 Section 3: "Single-use plastic" straw means a single-use, disposable tube made predominantly of
13 plastic and used to drink a beverage. "Single-use plastic" straw does not include a straw made
14 from non-plastic materials, including, but not limited to, paper, pasta, sugar cane, wood, or
15 bamboo.

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17 Section 4: This bill will reduce the use of single-use plastic straws, increase the use of reusable or
18 recyclable straws therefore, reducing waste, litter, and saving animals.


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20 Section 5: If a full service restaurant violates any of the requirements the following penalties will
21 be imposed and shall be payable by the operator of the full service restaurant: 1st Offense: A fine
22 not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) 2nd Offense: A fine

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24 Section 6: This bill will not require any funds from tax payer or any money from government.

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26 Section 7: This bill will be enforced by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and local health
27 departments, upon random inspection of the full service restaurant.

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29 Section 8: All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this bill are hereby repealed.

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31 Section 9: This bill will go into effect starting January 1, 2019.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 29</p>			
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<p>Authors: Abby Rutledge, Erin Hynes, Maggie Miller</p>				
<p>School: St. Mary Academy</p>				
<p>City: Prospect</p>				

An Act Relating to the Legalization of Medical Marijuana

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

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Section 1: This bill will allow citizens of Kentucky to use and/or grow medical marijuana, therefore supplying Kentucky with more jobs and improving the economy of Kentucky.

Section 2: There are currently 29 states in the US that have legalized medical marijuana; we are not one of them. It is currently estimated that millions of Americans already use medical marijuana.

Section 3: Medical Marijuana is basically marijuana without the substance known as THC, or tetrahydrocannabinol, which is the substance that results in becoming 'high' and can be harmful to the brain.


Section 4: It is reported that medical marijuana can relieve insomnia, anxiety, spasticity, and pain. This can help those with illnesses such as Multiple Sclerosis and certain forms of epilepsy, along with chronic pains.

Section 5: In 2016, opioid overdose killed more people than breast cancer, and by legalizing medical marijuana, doctors can lower the number of opioids prescribed to patients, therefore lowering the risk of overdose by opioids.

Section 6: We are proposing the legalization of medical marijuana for those whom it would benefit, such as people suffering from Multiple Sclerosis, PTSD, and other chronic illnesses.

Section 7: This bill will not cost anything to put into place.

Section 8: It will be enacted 6 months after it is passed.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	 CW 30						
		Referred to Committee: House 3						
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School: Sts. Peter and Paul School - Lexington								
City: Lexington								

1 An Act Relating To Handicapped Accessible Playgrounds at 25% of Kentucky Public Elementary Schools.

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

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5 Section 1: Elementary school students with a mental or physical impairment that have substantial and
6 long-term negative effects on their ability to do normal everyday activities, cannot currently enjoy the
7 use of elementary school playgrounds like other children. This bill requires 25% of public elementary
8 schools in Kentucky to have handicapped accessible playgrounds and equipment, so all students can
9 enjoy outdoor activities. This bill will add requirements to KRS 157 relating to Special Educational
10 Programs.

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12 Section 2: County School Boards throughout Kentucky will enforce compliance. Audits by the
13 Kentucky Board of Education will further demonstrate compliance.

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15 Section 3: Failure for a school to comply the first academic year after bill passage will result in a
16 warning and listing of non-compliant schools. Failure for a school to comply a second academic
17 year will result in reduction of funding for other areas. A third academic year of non-compliance
18 would result in an audit by the Department of Education. Special Education teachers would be
19 tasked with reporting and documenting their school's compliance.

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21 Section 4: The cost ranges from \$1,000 to \$50,000 for every playground depending on the
22 quantity of children that will be using the equipment. Funds will also be set aside for ongoing
23 maintenance costs. The costs will be covered with public school funding and grants.

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25 Section 5: This bill should be effective immediately upon passage with enforced compliance by the
26 2020 -2021 academic school year, in order to give the schools time to allocate money to be able
27 to modify the playgrounds. By having this law, it will make it possible.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	 CW 31						
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School: Sts. Peter and Paul School - Lexington								
City: Lexington								

1 An Act Relating To Installing Metal Detectors in All Kentucky Public High Schools.

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


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5 Section 1: This bill will require metal detectors to be installed into every public high school throughout the
6 Commonwealth of Kentucky. This will create a safer environment for the students and for the staff by
7 increasing requirements of KRS 158.445, relating to school safety and discipline.

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9 Section 2: This bill would be enforced by the Kentucky Center for School Safety. They would make
10 checks on the metal detectors annually. School safety officer(s) will monitor the machine for
11 additional checks.

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13 Section 3: If not followed three months after the 2021 academic school year, the overall funding
14 will be cut by one fourth and the school district will have cover the cost. If not followed in six
15 months, all funding will be cut and the school district will have to cover the cost.

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17 Section 4: Throughout Kentucky, this bill will cost approximately \$1.6 million dollars. This allows
18 for 1 metal detector in each of the 260 public high schools in Kentucky. The metal detectors cost
19 approximately \$6,000 dollars. The Garrett PD 6500i is the metal sector model we should use. This
20 would be paid for by a short term .05% increase on property taxes that would decrease over a 5
21 year period.

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23 Section 5: If passed the bill would go into effect at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</p> <p>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Commonwealth Bill</p>	<p> CW 32</p>					
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<p>Authors: Blythe Bolin, Kate Huneycutt, Naomi Sarker, Maggie Smith</p>						
<p>School: Walton-Verona MS</p>						
<p>City: Walton</p>						

1 An Act Relating To allowing citizens to contact emergency services by texting 911

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

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5 Section 1: This bill shall provide increased safety and improved access to individuals residing in Kentucky,

6 providing them the option to contact 911 via Short Message Service (SMS) text message.

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8 Section 2: Each 911 call center in Kentucky shall deploy equipment, products, and services

9 necessary or appropriate to enable it to receive and process calls for emergency assistance sent

10 via Short Message Service (SMS) text messages.

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12 Section 3: Funding shall be obtained through raising the monthly emergency 911 services fee on

13 cell phone bills.

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15 Section 4: This bill shall go into effect 90 days after it is passed by Kentucky legislature. All 911

16 call centers shall be required to be in compliance 365 days after the law goes into effect.

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