

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Red CW 39						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 4						
Sponsors: Elizabeth Gardner, Elizabeth Heuser, Gracie Gainer	Action on the Bill						
School: Sacred Heart Academy							
City: Louisville							
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1 AN ACT relating to implementing a program for Appalachian farmers to grow industrial hemp
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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 the interest of restoring the struggling tobacco crops in Appalachia and stimulating their
6 economy concurrently, this bill will create a pilot program in Appalachia to provide tobacco farmers the
7 education and licensing required to grow industrial hemp for manufacturing and selling in Kentucky.
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9 Section 2: A program will be started which sends employees to Appalachia to teach tobacco farmers
10 with struggling crops how to grow and handle industrial hemp, and to get the farmers licenses to grow
11 industrial hemp in Kentucky. Industrial hemp is defined as having a THC content of less than one
12 percent, which is negligible. in order to maintain their licenses, the farmers must keep the THC level
13 below 1% at all times.
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15 Section 3: A \$500,000 joint grant will be requested from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and
16 the Kentucky Department of Work Force. This money will go towards the salaries of the employees. The
17 farmers will continue to be paid the existing subsidies they are receiving for their tobacco crops, but
18 instead for industrial hemp crops.
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20 Section 4: This Act will go into effect 90 days after being passed.