

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 1						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Kate Sketo, Anna Fahey, ,	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: Assumption HS							
City: Louisville							


1 An Act Relating To the further care of domestic abuse victims post social work
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A new section of KRS chapter 15.760 is created to read as follows; Section 1: Currently in
5 Kentucky, a social worker must evaluate domestic abuse reports and offer crisis prevention, as well as
6 advocate for the victim in court.
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8 Section 2: It would be extremely valuable to the victim of domestic abuse to extend this requirement into
9 offering and recommending counseling for the victims’at no cost to them’regarding mental health and
10 substance abuse.
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12 Section 3: This program would be held at government–funded facilities (such as local hospitals or mental
13 health facilities) as an outpatient program lead by mental health professionals who are already employed at
14 the facility. Adult volunteers may offer extra support to these programs.
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16 Section 4: Domestic abuse victims have declared the general process of social work to be ineffectual in the
17 long run due to the lasting impact of abuse on mental health. This program would allow victims to meet one
18 another, be provided with suicide and substance abuse prevention measures, and gain the extra support
19 they may need. This program would be held continuously through weekly meetings that the victim can
20 attend. Victims may attend as many meetings they feel is necessary, though a recommendation will be made
21 to them by their social worker or a leader of the program.
22
23 Section 5: The funding for this program would be come from Medicaid, as well as Health and Human Services
24 through a \$68 million grant for suicide prevention and mental health care programs provided by the
25 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
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27 Section 6: In the case this bill is passed, it will be implemented in January of 2025.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 2						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Carter O'Cull, Eli Livers, Loren Macy, Ava Parker	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: Bethlehem HS							
City: Bardstown							

1 **An Act To Amend KRS 186.450 To Change The Legal Permit Age In Kentucky**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 1: This bill is to lower the legal age a teenager in Kentucky is legally allowed to take their permit test.
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6 Section 2: Amendment to KRS 186.450. KRS 186.450 is amended to read as follows: 186.450 Instruction
7 permits for motor vehicle Minors and adults who assume responsibility for them. (1) A person who is at least
8 sixteen (16) years of age may apply for an instruction permit to operate a motor vehicle. Except as provided
9 in subsection (9) of this section, a person who possesses a valid intermediate motor vehicle operator's
10 license issued under KRS 186.452) Except as provided in KRS 186.415, a person who has attained the age
11 of sixteen (16) years and is under the age of eighteen (18) years shall have the instruction permit a minimum
12 of one hundred eighty (180) days before applying for an intermediate license and shall have an intermediate
13 license for a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) days before applying for an operator's license. (c) A
14 person who was under eighteen (18) years of age at the time of application for an instruction permit and is
15 eighteen (18) years of age or older shall have the instruction permit a minimum of one hundred eighty (180)
16 days and complete a driver training program under KRS 186.410(4) before applying for an operator's license.
17 (a) Minors who reside with individuals in informal guardianship arrangements to have an adult who resides
18 with them sign the minor's application and assume responsibility in accordance with subsection (1) of this
19 section; (b) Individuals who have signed for responsibility under subsection (1) of this section to rescind that
20 assumption of responsibility.
21
22 Section 3: Implementation Will be on Jan 1st of next year through ads and public announcements. The
23 Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will provide more guidelines. Section 4: Funding Funding for public
24 awareness and changes in schools will be provided through the state budget and set aside to the Kentucky
25 Transport Cabinet.
26
27 Section 5: Penalties The penalty for violations against the new driving age will be as outlined in
28 KRS.186.990.
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30 Section 6: Enactment This bill would be enacted on Jan 1st 25.
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32 Section 7: Repealer Clause All laws or subsections of laws in conflict with this bill are hereby repealed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 3	
	Referred to Committee: House 1	
Sponsors: Sofi Mammen, Evie mcminn, Sophie Gasaway,	Action on the Bill	
School: Eastern HS	House	Senate
City: Middletown	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act to Make Financial Literacy a Standalone Graduation Requirement for All Kentucky High School
2 Students and Establish a Financial Literacy Endorsement for Teachers and Making an Appropriation Therefor.
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 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOW: Beginning with
6 students graduating in 2030, all Kentucky high school students must complete a 0.5 credit standalone
7 Financial Literacy course as a graduation requirement.
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9 Section 2: Any valid secondary teaching license teacher may pursue a Financial Literacy Career and Technical
10 Education endorsement to teach the course. To obtain the endorsement, teachers must complete six credit
11 hours in financial literacy education or equivalent professional development, including instructional strategies
12 and personal finance content. Teachers already teaching related subjects may apply for the endorsement
13 through proof of relevant teaching experience.
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15 Section 3: Schools must report course availability and student enrollment annually to the Department of
16 Education, which shall review and update the curriculum every five years to be relevant to current financial
17 systems.
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19 Section 4: The Department of Education will utilize \$360,000 per year from the General Fund in the 2025-
20 2026 and 2026-2027 fiscal years for teacher training and certification programs to ensure the effective
21 rollout of the Financial Literacy course.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 5						
	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Connor Lin, Adam Harshaw, ,	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: Francis Parker HS							
City: Louisville							


1 **An Act Relating To Car Collision Prevention Through License Maintenance Tests**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1. In 2022 there were 130,042 driving collisions in Kentucky. These collisions included 109,759
5 accidents that caused property damage, 20,169 non-fatal accidents, and 723 fatal accidents, causing
6 Kentucky to have an 8% higher fatality rate than the average per state in the United States. Finally, 16% of
7 fatal car accidents happened between licensed drivers between the ages of 25 and 34, 17% between the
8 ages of 35 and 44, 15% between the ages of 45-54, and 16% between the ages of 55 and 64. The ranges
9 of the oldest and youngest age groups are smaller, and therefore cannot be compared accurately.
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11 Section 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Any person with a
12 motor vehicle, operator, or trailer license, must renew their license every 5 years. (2) In addition to the
13 existing renewal procedure, in order to renew their license, the person must take a driving, written, and
14 eyesight test to ensure driving competence. (3) Any driver with an expired license for more than 3 years
15 must take these texts to revalidate their license. (4) A person’s license is legal until the first renewal of their
16 license after this bill has passed. (5) For new drivers, the first renewal must occur 5 years from the issued
17 date. (6) For drivers with existing licenses, they must renew their driver’s license every 5 years from the issue
18 date. If the renewal date has passed, they must renew it at the next nearest 5-year interval. (7) EX. If a
19 driver gets their license in 2015, and it is currently 2024, then they must renew their license in the year
20 2025, because that is the next nearest 5 year multiple of 2015. (8) The driver must renew their license
21 within 1 week before or after the renewal date in order to reduce the influx of drivers needing to be tested.
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23 Section 3. Existing private or corporate-owned driving schools will be authorized to administer these tests,
24 allowing the increased number of drivers needing testing to be distributed across more centers. The state of
25 Kentucky will standardize the tests and compensate driving schools based on the number of license renewals
26 they process.
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28 Section 4. Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 6						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Wyatt Shroll, jude stafford, ,	Action on the Bill						
School: Holy Family HS - Ashland							
City: Ashland							
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An Act Relating To Mental Health in Schools


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

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Section 1. Amend KRS Chapter 158.4416(3) subsection a, subparagraph 1 to read as follows, Each school district and each public charter school shall employ at least one (1) school counselor in at each school with the goal of the school counselor spending at least seventy percent (70%) or more of his or her time providing direct services to students and no more than thirty percent (30%) of his or her time providing indirect services to students.

Section 2. Amend KRS Chapter 158.4416(3) subsection a, subparagraph 2 to read as follows, It shall be the goal that each school district and each public charter school shall provide at least two (2) school counselor or school-based mental health services provider who is employed by the school district for every two hundred fifty (250) students, including but not limited to the school the school counselor required in subparagraph 1. of this paragraph.

Section 3. The amendment will take effect in the 2026-2027 school year. Schools would receive a one-year notice.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 7						
	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Lydia Rairick, Vivian Schnuerle, Alina Zheng,	Action on the Bill <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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School: Louisville Collegiate HS							
City: Louisville							

1 An Act Relating To amend 405 KAR 20:05 and increase environmental protection in surface coal mining
2 operations under specific circumstances


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

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5 Section 1: In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR Chapters 16 through 20, surface coal mining
6 activities may be conducted under a variance from the requirement of 405 KAR Chapter 20, Section 1,
7 relating to restoring affected areas to their approximate original contour, except as follows: No industrial,
8 commercial, agricultural, residential, or public facility, including recreational facilities, shall be located within a
9 50-mile radius of any site undergoing mountaintop removal.


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11 Section 2: The Kentucky Revised Statutes Chapter 350, in relevant part, directs the Cabinet to establish
12 environmental protection performance standards for surface coal mining operations, including but not
13 limited to the mountaintop removal method. This act imposes special performance standards and variance
14 procedures for the protection of affected areas.

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16 Section 3: Any statutes or administrative regulations in conflict with this Act are hereby amended or
17 repealed.

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19 Section 4: This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 8	
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1	
Sponsors: Felix Ding, Eleanor Koshewa, Margaret Dulaney,	Action on the Bill	
School: Louisville Collegiate HS	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 Diminishing the Language Barrier in Public Service**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A new section of KRS Chapter 189.337(6) is created to read as follows: All hospital-related signs,
5 signals, markings, and devices placed on public highways shall include a universally recognizable visual
6 representation to assist individuals who may not be proficient in English, ensuring more equitable healthcare
7 access across language barriers.
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9 Section 2: The Kentucky Department of Highways shall be responsible for implementing and funding the
10 amendments to the signage, as outlined in KRS 189.337(2). The department may collaborate with healthcare
11 professionals and linguistics experts to determine the most effective visual representations for the public.
12
13 Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed to ensure alignment with the goals
14 of this legislation.
15
16 Section 4: The Kentucky Department of Highways shall submit an annual progress report to the General
17 Assembly, detailing implementation efforts, cost, and effectiveness of the new signs in reducing language
18 discrepancies in healthcare accessibility.
19
20 Section 5: This act shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 9						
	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Audrey Akridge, Jaycee Dykes, Harper Thaw, Madelyn Perkins	Action on the Bill <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">House</td> <td style="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: Lyon Co. HS							
City: Eddyville							

1 An Act Relating To Installing Suicide Prevention Signs on Bridges
 2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: For any new bridge, replacement bridge, or bridge receiving routine maintenance and/or
 5 construction after July 1, 2025 there must be signs (installed in appropriate locations) displaying the phone
 6 number for any suicide prevention/mental health crisis hotline.
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8 Section 2: Each county’s Department of Transportation will be responsible for deciding where signs under
 9 this bill would be physically sensible and appropriate. If a sign is located along a state highway or the
 10 interstate system, the state Department of Transportation must approve the location prior to placing the
 11 sign, but no permit is necessary. The signs must be designed to communicate that dialing the chosen hotline
 12 number will connect callers to behavioral health and suicide prevention services.
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14 Section 3: Signs created under this bill may not conflict with traffic control devices or existing state laws
 15 related to placement and design of signs.
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17 Section 4: This bill does not create a private right of action by, or a legal duty to, any party, and may not be
 18 used to impose liability on the public body if a sign has or has not been placed on its property. The state of
 19 Kentucky, including all its agencies, subdivisions, employees, and agents, shall not be liable for any violation
 20 of this section, notwithstanding any other provision of law.
 21


22 Section 5: The county and/or state Department of Transportation may accept gifts or donations to pay for
 23 the creation, installation, or maintenance of signs under this law.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 10						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Jessica Garcia Garcia, Khoa Ta, Logan Reeves,	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: Owensboro HS							
City: Owensboro							

1 An Act Relating To Food Deserts and Providing Mechanisms For Addressing Food Insecurity
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
3
4 Section 1. Definitions (1) "Food desert" means an area where residents have limited access to nutritious
5 food. (2) "Mobile grocery store" means a vehicle selling affordable, healthy food to food desert areas. (3)
6 "Corner store" means a small retail store selling a limited selection of household goods. (4) "Food
7 cooperative" means a marketplace owned by members, focused on local food.
8
9 Section 2. Eligibility Eligible entities include: (1) Residents of food deserts for transportation solutions,
10 grocery delivery, and education programs. (2) Local governments for grants and funding for food security
11 programs. (3) Nonprofits for developing food cooperatives, markets, and healthy corner stores. (4) Small
12 businesses and farmers for financial incentives to support local food sales.
13
14 Section 3. Statewide Food Desert Mapping (1) The Kentucky Department of Agriculture shall: (a) Map food
15 deserts statewide by June 30, 2025, updated annually. (b) Create a public map identifying food deserts.
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17 Section 4. Public Transportation Solutions (1) By June 30, 2025, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet shall:
18 (a) Develop transportation routes for food access. (b) Provide discounted or free transportation vouchers to
19 food desert residents.
20
21 Section 5. Mobile Grocery Stores and Markets (1) By June 30, 2025, the Department of Agriculture shall: (a)
22 Provide grants/loans for mobile grocery stores and markets. (b) Prioritize local farms.
23
24 Section 6. Food Security Grant Program (1) KRS 211.015 is amended to establish a Food Security Grant
25 Program by April 1, 2026. (a) Grants awarded to local governments and nonprofits for food access
26 programs.
27
28 Section 7. Healthy Corner Store Initiative (1) By July 1, 2026, the Department of Agriculture shall: (a) Offer
29 incentives to corner stores to stock healthy foods. (b) Prioritize local partnerships.
30
31 Section 8. Reporting and Accountability (1) The Department of Agriculture and Public Health shall submit
32 annual reports starting June 30, 2025, detailing progress and recommendations.
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34 Section 9. Funding (1) The Commonwealth shall appropriate funds as necessary. (2) The Department of
35 Agriculture is authorized to seek federal grants.
36
37 Section 10. Statutory Changes (1) Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 11	
	Referred to Committee: House 1	
Sponsors: Charley Manz, Abigail Smith, Maisy Graves,	Action on the Bill	
School: Presentation Academy HS		
City: Louisville		
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- 1 An Act Relating To Reducing Child Abuse by Enforcing Support Systems for Parents and Guardians
- 2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
- 3
- 4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 620.040(1)(b) IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: 1. After a
- 5 parent or guardian(s) is alleged to be interfering with a child’s well-being, the cabinet will mandate
- 6 appropriate preventative actions regardless of the outcome of the report.
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- 8 Section 2: This act proposes that preventative and corrective resources for alleged abusive parents and
- 9 guardians, such as mental health services, parenting education programs, peer support groups, and frequent
- 10 check-ins to monitor their progress, will be mandated and strictly enforced.
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- 12 Section 3: Funding for this bill will come from philanthropic foundations in Kentucky such as Prevent Child
- 13 Abuse Kentucky (PCAKY), Norton Children’s, and the Kentucky Children Victims’ Trust Fund, all of whom work
- 14 toward preventing child abuse via engagement from the community through events and campaigns.
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- 16 Section 4: This bill will be enacted on March 1, 2025.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 13	
	Referred to Committee: House 2	
Sponsors: Oli Thacker, , ,	Action on the Bill	
School: Rowan Co. Sr. HS	House	Senate
City: Morehead	_____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	_____ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated


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An Act Relating To the Safety of Homeschooled Children
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Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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- 4 Section 1: A school guidance counslor will visit homes where the child(ren) in the home are being
- 5 homeschooled once per semester, and have the parent(s) and child(ren) come into the school once per
- 6 semester. The school guidance counslor will interview the child(ren) separately from the parent(s) and ask
- 7 questions about their homelife. They will then assess the answers and evaluate whether or not the child is
- 8 being abused or neglected as defined in KRS Statute 209.020.
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- 10 Section 2: The school guidance counslor works within their contract hours and gets paid the same as they do
- 11 normally.
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- 13 Section 3: Any statute that goes against this bill will be amended or repealed

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 14	
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2	
Sponsors: Julianne Woodham, Maddie Schutz, Emily Vetter, Kennedy Stetson	Action on the Bill	
School: Sacred Heart Academy	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 guaranteeing paid time off during maternity leave
- 2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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- 4 Section 1: In Kentucky, mothers are not guaranteed paid time off for maternity leave. This bill will enforce a
- 5 supportive opportunity for mothers to bond with their newborns through paid time off.
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- 7 Section 2: This bill proposes supplying a mandatory twelve weeks of leave beginning at childbirth, with eight
- 8 of those weeks being paid.
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- 10 Section 3: During the paid period, mothers would receive seventy-five percent of their regular salary.
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- 12 Section 4: Maternity leave pay will be required to be paid for by the business, organization, or company no
- 13 matter the size.
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- 15 Section 5: If the establishment refuses to pay their employees the required amount, the establishment will be
- 16 required to pay the employee the salary and an additional fine of \$5,000 to the Kentucky state government.
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- 18 Section 6: This amendment will go in effect on January 1, 2026.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 16						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Ruby Lilla, Ellie Kate Gilfert, ,	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: Sacred Heart Academy							
City: Louisville							


1 An Act Relating To the illegalization of scholarship displacement in public universities in Kentucky.
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 164 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: [1] Scholarship
5 displacement is illegalized for all public universities or colleges in Kentucky.
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7 Section 2: Scholarship displacement is defined as: when a student receives financial assistance or scholarship
8 money from one source and reports it to their university, which then leads to reduction in other forms of aid
9 from their university. Statistically, 50% of Kentuckians going into college will experience scholarship
10 displacement, and 50% of those attending public university in Kentucky have already experienced
11 scholarship displacement. An example of scholarship displacement is the following; a senior in high school
12 applies for two financial aid programs, one from her university she is attending (say UofL) and one from a
13 financial aid program outside of UofL. She received a scholarship from both institutions. She is granted
14 \$15,000 a year from UofL and \$5,000 a year from an outside source. UofL resultantly takes \$5,000 off of
15 the awarded \$15,000 because she was awarded that amount of money from somewhere else. The student
16 then ends up earning less financial aid money than she was expecting to receive, she must now make
17 adjustments. This is scholarship displacement and it happens and will happen to almost every student that
18 receives funding multiple scholarship or financial aid programs in Kentucky.
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20 Section 3: Scholarship displacement is commonly confused with scenarios that involve both athletic and
21 academic scholarships from one college, do not confuse this with scholarship displacement. Scholarship
22 displacement always involves two sources of aid or scholarship money: one from the university and one from
23 an outside fund. Scholarship displacement in Kentucky occurs most often in the following scenarios: financial
24 aid, academic scholarship, KEYs money, and money earned from passing AP tests.
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26 Section 4: This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2026.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 18						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: henle Newton, Sophia Redella, Maddie Manning,	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: Sacred Heart Academy							
City: Louisville							

- 1 An Act Relating To the requirement of a driver's skills test for senior citizens ages 70 and above.
- 2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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- 4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Senior citizens over
- 5 the age of 70 are required to take a driver's skills test at a Kentucky DMV.
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- 7 Section 2: All drivers skills test for citizens ages 70 and above take the driver's skills test for no charge.
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- 9 Section 3: Senior citizens must take a driver's skill test up to one month after their 70th birthday. The next
- 10 required skills test will be when the individual turns the age of 75. Individuals from the ages 75-84 are
- 11 required to take the skills test every 3 years. Individuals over the age of 85 are required to take the skills
- 12 test every 2 years following.
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- 14 Section 4: Individuals currently over the age of 70 will be required to take the driver's skill test after this bill
- 15 goes into effect.
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- 17 Section 5: If an individual exceeds a month without taking the skills test, they will receive two warnings in
- 18 the mail, two weeks apart. If the test is still not taken, individuals will receive a 50 dollar fine with an
- 19 increase of ten dollars every month after.
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- 21 Section 6: Individuals who are living in nursing homes, assisted living care facilities, or have legal
- 22 documentation stating that they are unable to drive will be exempt from this act with the necessary legal
- 23 documentation filled out. This bill will go into effect 90 days after it is passed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 19	
	Referred to Committee: House 1	
Sponsors: Amelia Sutherlin, Chris Escobar, Kaitlyn Isberg, Marielena De Pedro	Action on the Bill	
School: Sayre School HS	House	Senate
City: Lexington	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act Relating to Reducing Infant Mortality Rate in Rural Areas in Kentucky
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: Recognizing that the infant mortality rate in rural areas is 7.3 deaths per 1,000 live births while in
5 large urban counties it is 5.4 deaths per 1,000 live births. Acknowledges the fact that there is less access to
6 critical healthcare options for pregnant women and recent mothers in rural areas. Recommends the
7 implementation of a program monitored by the University of Kentucky that sends maternal-fetal medicine
8 specialists and registered nurses to rural areas in Kentucky to teach how to recognize the most common
9 reasons for infant mortality and how to care for them.
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11 Section 2: A NEW SECTION OF KRS 216 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Volunteer maternal-fetal
12 medicine specialists and registered nurses will be sent to rural areas in Kentucky for a three-month period to
13 teach pregnant women and new mothers to recognize the most common reasons for infant mortality and
14 how to correctly address those issues. (2) Classes will last no longer than four hours and no less than two
15 hours every Sunday. (3) Volunteers will receive a pay raise of 20% upon completion of the residential
16 program. (4) If the program proves to be effective, its outreach will be expanded to include most rural towns
17 in Kentucky.
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19 Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p>	BG 21	
	Referred to Committee: House 2	
Sponsors: Journey Sanders, Isla Sanderfer, Sophia Westergren,	Action on the Bill	
School: Walden School HS	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 Rebuilding Kentucky after natural disasters and making an appropriation therefor:
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: The Kentucky Recovery Branch of FEMA is to be appropriated an additional \$130 million dollars
5 per year to aid in the rebuilding of Kentucky communities affected by natural disasters.
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7 Section 2: Since 1953, Kentucky has experienced 67 federally-declared disasters, 32 of which have occurred
8 since 2000. Because Kentucky is so geologically diverse, natural disasters that occur in Kentucky include:
9 Tornadoes, flooding, hail, extreme temperature, wildfires, and mudslides. Due to climate change, natural
10 disasters are occurring more often. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, from
11 1980-2000 Kentucky has been affected by 20 different 'billion dollar disasters' Meaning that all damages
12 that occurred were worth around 1 billion dollars.
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14 Section 3: The state of Kentucky has seen more flood-related disasters than any other state between 2000-
15 2022, resulting in approximately \$400 million dollars in damages.
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17 Section 4: Each and everyone of these disasters are costly; in lives and money. We request a total of \$130
18 million dollars per year to be used to rebuild homes, hospitals, schools, churches, grocery stores, airports,
19 roads, etc.
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21 Section 5: The Kentucky State Department of Revenue will honor the IRS special tax release for taxpayers in
22 Kentucky who are affected by disasters such as; storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, landslides, and
23 mudslides. This tax relief helps people affected, by postponing the deadline occurring from April 2, 2024. It
24 postpones the deadline in order to get their taxes in by November 1st, so they can get their taxes in.