the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	/   1
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   2
Sponsors: Jada Maples	"	Action o	n the Bill
School: Boyle Co. HS		House	Senate
City: Danville		□ Passed □ Defeated	Passed

## AN ACT relating to eating disorder education in schools Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: KRS 156.095 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (13) Every public school and public charter school shall provide at least one twenty (20) minute evidence-based eating disorder awareness lesson each school year, by December 31st, of the current school year, either in person, by live streaming, or via a video recording to all students in grades six (6) through twelve (12). Every public school shall provide an opportunity for any student absent on the day the evidence-based eating disorder prevention awareness lesson was initially presented to receive the lesson at a later time. The information to conduct such presentations will be outlined by and obtained from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, National Institution of Mental Health or from a non-profit organization, such as the National Eating Disorder Associations developed program, the Body Project or its affiliates.

Section 2: The Department of Education will oversee the completion of this practice for the state.

Section 3: This bill will take effect starting in the 2025–2026 school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	2
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to	Committee: se   2
Sponsors: Brayden Bar	ks, Bella Embry, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Butler Co. HS		House	Senate
City: Morgantown		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating specifying the Statute of Limitations regarding cases of Child Abuse **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky** 

 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 413 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: The statute of limitations for childhood abuse cases including but not limited to cases involving neglect, sexual abuse, substantial and evaluated mental abuse, and physical, domestic, and publicised abuse shall be read as follows, the statute of limitations regarding this category of crime at both the misdemeanor and felony level shall have no statute of limitations. (a) "child abuse, neglect, and sexual abuse," means an act or series of acts against a person less than eighteen (18) years old and which meets the criteria defining a misdemeanor or felony in: 1. KRS Chapter 510; 2. KRS 529.040 when the defendant advances or profits from the prostitution of a minor; 3. KRS 529.100 when the offense involves commercial sexual activity; 4. KRS 529.110 when the offense involves commercial sexual activity; 5. KRS 530.020 or 530.064(1)(a); 6. KRS Chapter 531 involving a minor or depiction of a minor; or 7. KRS 506.010 or 506.030 for attempt to 8. The intentional harm of a child KRS 420.013 9. Any form of neglect to a child that causes bodily harm KRS 421.593 commit or solicitation to commit any of the offenses described in subparagraphs 1. to 6. of this paragraph. No prior criminal prosecution or conviction of the civil defendant for the act



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	13
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   1
Sponsors: Porter Carna	ahan, Sam Gossage, Gabby Burkhart, Layla Jo Blevins	Action o	n the Bill
School: Casey Co. HS		House	Senate
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City: Liberty		Defeated	Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Foster Care Reform
2	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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4	Section 1: Provided notice before child's home placement
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6	Section 2: Thorough evaluation of caretakers (background checks, home evaluation, psych evaluation)
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8	Section 3: Mental physical and spiritual abuse check-ins
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10	Section 4: Mandatory psychological evaluations

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	14
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   1
Sponsors: Kaylee Lawh	orn, Palmer Schmidt, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Craft Academy	– Morehead State	House	Senate
City: Morehead		□ Passed □ Defeated	Passed Defeated

#### An Act Relating To Raising the Minimum Wage Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

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Section 1. A new chapter of KRS 337 is created to read as follows: (1) Except as may otherwise be provided by this chapter, every employer shall pay to each of his employees wages at a rate of not less than seven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$7.95) an hour beginning on July 1, 2025, not less than eight dollars and sixty-five cents (\$8.65) an hour beginning on July 1, 2026, and not less than nine dollars and thirty-five cents (\$9.35) an hour beginning on July 1, 2027. If the federal minimum hourly wage as prescribed by 29 U.S.C. sec. 206(a)(1) is increased in excess of the minimum hourly wage in effect under this subsection, the minimum hourly wage under this subsection shall be increased to the same amount, effective on the same date as the federal minimum hourly wage rate. If the state minimum hourly wage is increased to the federal minimum hourly wage, it shall include only the federal minimum hourly rate prescribed in 29 U.S.C. sec. 206(a)(1) and shall not include other wage rates or conditions, exclusions, or exceptions to the federal minimum hourly wage rate. In addition, the increase to the federal minimum hourly wage rate does not extend or modify the scope or coverage of the minimum wage rate required under this chapter. (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, for any employee engaged in an occupation in which he customarily and regularly receives more than thirty dollars (\$30) per month in tips from patrons or others, the employer may pay as a minimum not less than the hourly wage rate required to be paid a tipped employee under the state minimum hourly wage law as prescribed by subsection (1) of this section. The employer shall establish by his records that for each week where credit is taken, when adding tips received to wages paid, not less than the minimum rate prescribed in subsection (1) of this section was received by the employee. A minimum of thirty (30) percent of the minimum hourly wage must be paid by the employer, and up to seventy (70) percent can be paid through tips. No employer shall use all or part of any tips or gratuities received by employees toward the payment of the statutory minimum hourly wage as required by subsection (1) of this section. Nothing, however, shall prevent employees from entering into an agreement to divide tips or gratuities among themselves.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	5
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to <b>Sena</b>	Committee: te   1
Sponsors: Christian Bo	swell, Dylan Nelson, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Daviess Co. HS		House	Senate
City: Owensboro		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To disciplinary actions of driving while under the influence. **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky** 

Section 1: KRS 189A.010 is amended to read as follows: Amend (5)(a)1. To read as follows, 'For the first offence within a ten (10) year period, be fined not less than one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$1250) nor more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500) and be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days. If any of the aggravating circumstances listed in subsection (11) of this section are present while the person was operating or in physical control of a motor vehicle, the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment shall be fifteen (15) days, which term shall not be suspended, probated, conditionally discharged, or subject to any other form of early release;'

Section 2: KRS 189A.010 is amended to read as follows: Amend (5)(b) 1. To read as follows, 'For the second offense within a ten (10) year period, be fined not less than three thousand dollars (\$3000) nor more than three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3500) and shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months and, in addition to fine and imprisonment, may be sentenced to community labor for not less than ten (10) days nor more than six (6) months. If any of the aggravating circumstances listed in subsection (11) of this section are present, the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment shall be twenty (20) days, which term shall not be suspended, probated, conditionally discharged, or subject to any other form of early release;'

Section 3: KRS 189A.010 is amended to read as follows: Amend (5)(c)1. To read as follows, 'For a third or subsequent offense within a ten (10) year period, be guilty of a Class D felony. If any of the aggravating circumstances listed in subsection (11) of this section are present, the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment shall be three hundred (300) days, which term shall not be suspended, probated, conditionally discharged, or subject to any other form of release;'

Section 4: The following KRS section is repealed: 189A.010 (5)(d).



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	16
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   2
Sponsors: Lucy Smith,	Addison Kate Spurrier, Bentlei Stallings,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Daviess Co. HS		House	Senate
		🗆 Passed	□ Passed
City: Owensboro		Defeated	Defeated

An Act Relating To Making Feminine Hygiene Products More Accessible **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky** 

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 139 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Kentucky's 6% sales tax on any and all feminine hygiene products will immediately be removed.

Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	7   7
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to	Committee: se   1
Sponsors: Grace Fridy,	Iris Apple, Ethan Aarvig, Stella Kolers	Action o	n the Bill
School: DuPont Manua	I HS	House	Senate
City: Louisville		Passed Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Community Input in Urban Revitalization Agencies and Appropriations Therefore

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

Section 1: KRS 99.350 is amended to read as follows: a. Amend (3) to read as follows: 'Upon adoption of a resolution creating an agency, the mayor shall be promptly notified and he shall appoint, with the approval of a majority of the council, ten (10) resident electors of the community as members of the agency.' b. In (4) delete 'Three (3) of the members who are first appointed' and replace with 'Six (6) of the members who are first appointed'. c. In (4) delete 'the remaining two (2) of such members shall be designated to serve for terms of four (4) years each, from the date of their appointment.'

Section 2: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 99 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Five (5) of the ten (10) resident electors chosen by a mayor to be members of urban renewal and community development agencies, when authorized by a community's council, must be directly impacted by agency plans. (2) Directly impacted persons chosen to fill these membership positions must include three (3) residents of areas considered 'blighted', one (1) non-profit member, and one (1) business owner within the city.

Section 3: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 99 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Any agencies created before or after the passing of this legislation must allocate funding to the creation or maintenance of one or more green spaces within 'blighted' communities that are under the agency's purview. (2) For maintenance projects, this funding will amount to \$10,000 annually. For projects developing new green spaces, this funding will amount to up to \$40,000 annually. (3) Agencies must apply for this funding, which will be allocated from the Kentucky Rainy Day Fund. (4) Agencies from every city will be eligible for green space grants.

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



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	18
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: te   1
Sponsors: Clare Lowery	y, Caileigh Brooks, Julia O?Shea, Neena Woodcock	Action o	n the Bill
School: DuPont Manua	I HS	House	Senate
		🗆 Passed	□ Passed
City: Louisville		Defeated	Defeated

An Act Relating To Early Childhood Employee Wages

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 161 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOW: All preschool education employees are required to be paid a minimum hourly wage of \$15.00.

Section 2: (1) This bill shall apply to all public preschool employees and any other early childhood public education employee in the state of Kentucky. (2) This bill requires all Kentucky state sponsored preschool education centers to raise the minimum wage of their educators to \$15.00.

Section 3: This bill mandates that all early childhood education centers that do not raise the minimum wage to the aforementioned amount be punished with a fine of \$1,000, increasing by \$1000 every month until the wage is changed and employees are properly compensated.

Section 4: Any statue contrary to this Act is to be amended or repealed.



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	19
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   2
Sponsors: Petra Limb	ong, Alex Jones, Keanu Kawata, Will Jeziorski	Action o	n the Bill
School: DuPont Manu	al HS	House	Senate
City: Louisville		Passed Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Increasing the Funding for Public School Transportation **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky** 

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 157 IS INVENTED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) The minimum salary for public school bus drivers is to be set at \$19.00 an hour in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 2: The cost of fees and tuition for CDL licenses and training will be reimbursed by the state for those who become public school bus drivers.

Section 3: The average cost of CDL license training is around \$3,400. As well, one must pay a fee of \$88 to get a CDL license. The cost of training and the fee for a CDL license will be covered to add an incentive for more people to become school bus drivers.

Section 4: Funding will come from a 10% salary reduction of high ranking school officials. Any school official making over \$100,000 a year will see a salary reduction.

Section 5: Funding will also come from the introduction of a new school bus advertising system. Businesses will be allowed to place apolitical, school appropriate advertisements on the side of school buses. This will generate revenue directly for the school systems through payments for the advertising.

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



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	10
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	1101011011	Committee: se   1
Sponsors: Rowan Baile	ey, Vidhi Grover, Alrose Noronha, Ethan Rosenbaum	Action o	n the Bill
School: Gatton Acaden	ny - WKU	House	Senate
City: Bowling Green		Passed ☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Reforming Capital Punishment in Kentucky

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

Section I: KRS 431.220 is amended to read as follows: Amend (5)(b). to read as follows: `Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, every death sentence shall be executed by continuous injection of a substance as detailed in paragraph (c) of this subsection into a predetermined, accessible vein. The lethal injection shall continue until the prisoner is dead;' Insert (5)(c). to read as follows, `Lethal injections shall consist of a single administration of a substance that causes unconsciousness and then death without directly inducing pain. Substances held by the Department of Corrections that meet these criteria shall, with the prisoner's consent, take priority for use, followed by those that are commercially available.'

Section II: This Act takes effect June 30, 2025.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	11
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to <b>Sena</b>	
Sponsors: Alex Gilbert,	Cameron White, Samantha logan,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Greenup Co. HS	5	House	Senate
City: Greenup		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Criminal Sexual Abuse

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

Section 1: KRS 510.110 is amended to read as follows: Amend (2) to read as follows, 'Sexual abuse in the first degree is a class A felony.'



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the			Committee:
Sponsors: Rebecca Wo	ood, Alyssa Meyer, Gabriel Naylor,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Hopkinsville H	5	House	Senate
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An Act Relating To Baby Changing Facilities Enforcement in Public Restrooms **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky** 

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER KRS CHAPTER 198B IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) All male, female, and non-gender specific public restrooms shall have constructed a baby changing facility within. (2) Public buildings that do not house any necessity for baby changing facilities may file for exemption via a document submitted to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. (3) This new chapter will be KRS 198B.055 "Public Baby Changing Facilities"

Section 2: A warning will be issued to the offending establishment owner if reported or suspected of violating this Act. If construction of a baby changing facility within the lacking restroom is not completed within 90 days of warning, a Class B Misdemeanor will be issued, with the fine of \$250 increasing by \$500 for each repeating offense.

Section 3: "Baby Changing Facility" is "a table or other device suitable for changing the diaper of a child aged three or under." as defined by Public Law 114–235.

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



the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW   13	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate   2	
Sponsors: Isabel Torqu	emada, Khushi Patel, Alana Cecil, Ella Thomas	Action o	n the Bill
School: LaRue Co. HS		House	Senate
City: Hodgenville		□ Passed □ Defeated	Passed Defeated

## AN ACT relating to emergency leave and sick leave Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Section 2 of KRS Chapter 161.155 will be amended to be read as follows: Each district board of education shall allow to each teacher and full-time employee in its common school system not less than twelve (12) days of sick leave during each school year, without deduction of salary.

Section 2: Combining sick days and emergency leave will allow all public school districts to have a consistent policy across the Commonwealth;

Section 3: The sick leave balance shall be increased by no more than ten (10) days of sick leave for the teacher or employee for each fiscal year.

Section 4: This policy change would go be implemented beginning with the 2025–2026 academic year.

Section 5: The bill will go into effect 90 days after passage.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW   14	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se   1
Sponsors: Brylee Dobs	on, Josie garris, Emma Kate Puckett,	Action o	n the Bill
School: LaRue Co. HS		House	Senate
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City: Hodgenville		Defeated	Defeated

#### AN ACT relating to wrongful conviction compensation Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: In an effort to ensure that all wrongfully convicted prisoners get compensation for their time wrongfully spent imprisoned This bill will create a new chapter of KRS CHAPTER 411.

Section 2: This bill will only apply if the claimant was convicted of a felony crime and did not commit the crime or crimes for which the claimant was convicted and was not an accessory or accomplice to the acts that were the basis of the conviction. A claimant may bring an action in the Circuit Court of the county in which the conviction occurred seeking damages from the Commonwealth pursuant to this section.

Section 3: The court may give due consideration to difficulties of proof caused by the passage of time, the death or unavailability of witnesses, the destruction of evidence, or other factors not caused by the claimant or those acting on his or her behalf.

Section 4: Damages awarded under this section shall be: a. Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) for each year of imprisonment; b. Seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for each year of imprisonment if the claimant was imprisoned on death row; c. Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each additional year served on parole or post incarceration supervision or each additional year the claimant was required to register as a sex offender under KRS 17.510, whichever is greater; d. A claimant shall not receive compensation for any period of incarceration that the claimant was concurrently serving a sentence for a conviction of another crime that the claimant was lawfully incarcerated.

Section 5: a. The money will be distributed annually on July 1st of each year; b. This money will start being distributed no later than 1 year after the Attorney General and the claimant receive the certificate of innocence and judgment of entry; c. The money will be distributed annually until the payments have reached the yearly amount matching the years of sentencing; d. These payments will be distributed by the Administrative Office of the Courts and appropriated by the General Assembly; e. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Department of Corrections from providing reentry services to a claimant that are provided to other persons.

Section 6: The bill will go into effect 90 days after passage.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee:
Sponsors: Emily Ayala	, jack Gammon, Grayson Guerra, Will Dean	Action o	n the Bill
School: Mercer Co. Sr.	HS	House	Senate
		□ Passed	🗆 Passed
City: Harrodsburg		Defeated	Defeated

#### An ACT Relating to Cannibalism as a Criminal Violation Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 525 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) DEFINITIONS 'Cannibalism' is defined as the willful consumption of flesh or blood of another human being OR who willfully provides the flesh or blood to another individual to ingest without the consumer's knowledge or consent. 'Foul-play' meaning as regarding the act of cannibalism 'murder, manslaughter, or other criminal acts involving the consumption of human flesh or blood.

SECTION 2. GUIDELINES/REQUIREMENTS As used in this section, "cannibalism" means the willful consumption of human flesh or blood, as defined in Section (1). Cannibalism shall be prohibited, punishable by penalty and/or imprisonment. Lesser penalties for violations may be established when considering exceptional/unusual circumstances under which human flesh or blood may be consumed without legal repercussions such as in the case of extreme life-threatening conditions and as the only apparent means of survival. This act aims to align with Kentucky's laws of fundamental human dignity while ensuring due respect for the principles of life and protection of citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

SECTION 3. COSTS AND FUNDING N/A (Non-economic based bill. Any associated costs would be deferred to the statutory state and/or municipal budgeting/funding entities authorized in the Commonwealth of Kentucky under the state penal code.) SECTION 4. IMPLEMENTATION The state government will implement this policy through the authority delegated to the governing entity under the provisions of the Kentucky Penal Code Chapters 500, 501, 507, and 525 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT The state government will enforce this policy and may delegate authority to a governing entity/agency, including but not limited to the local municipality, county government/law enforcement agency, and/or state law enforcement as established in Section (4) under the provisions of the Kentucky Penal Code Chapters 500, 501, 507, and 525 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. Cannibalism shall be deemed a Class D felony with penalties punishable by imprisonment up to, but not exceeding fourteen (14) years.

SECTION 6. This bill will take effect January 1st, 2025.

SECTION 7. This statute establishes a new section of law to KRS Chapter 525. Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW   16	
the		Referred to <b>Sena</b>	Committee: te   1
Sponsors: Emma Willan	, Eden Forsha, Emma Fey, Tamara Cabrera	Action o	n the Bill
School: Mercy Academy	, HS	House	Senate
City: Louisville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating to Raising Tobacco Prices in Kentucky

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS Chapter 138.140 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Effective July 1, 2025, a surtax shall be paid in addition to the tax levied in paragraph (a) of this subsection at a proportionate rate of one dollar and ninety-six cents (\$1.96) on each twenty (20) cigarettes.

Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

Section 3: This bill will go into effect July 1, 2025.

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the			Committee:
Sponsors: Rylan Stone	, Maheen Khalid, Cecile Simo,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Paul Laurence	Dunbar HS	House	Senate
City: Lexington		□ Passed □ Defeated	Passed Defeated

An Act Relating To The Implementation of Present Performance Standards Within 504 Plans

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

Section 1: This law will require 504 plans to include a present performance report of each student, similar to that of the present level of performance (PLOP) maintained in students' individualized education plans (IEPs). The current 504 plan consists of a detailed document that outlines the specific accommodations a student requires in order to have equitable access to learning. It does not, to date, require the regular review of a report detailing the student's current level of abilities, strengths, and needs, and how a student's accommodations are correlating with the student's performance levels. This law will require students' performance in class be reported and reviewed bi–annually, along with their accommodations, to ensure that discriminative barriers are being properly removed and that the accommodations in place are contributing effectively to the academic advancement of each student.

Section 2: This law will require educators to report on the performance of students with already existing 504 plans bi–annually, as 504 plans already must receive a full review every three years. Given the reports, the students 504 may or may not be eligible for changes or additional accommodations. Along with the educator reports, students will be required to submit a survey quarterly asking them to provide information on how they feel the 504 may or may not be beneficial to them. This will all be done digitally. In keeping with parental and student rights as currently written, the parent and/or students over the age of 12 may call a 504 meeting before the time of a review if they believe their accommodations are not adequately supporting their educational advancement.

Section 3: This bill should not require any additional procuring of funds, but may require the reallocation of existing funds; students, parents, and educators must agree to the terms before their plan is created.

Section 4: This will be put into action on July 1, 2026. This will provide adequate time for staff to be properly trained on the changes, and reporting systems to be updated to include documentation of the additional reporting. July 1 reflects the official start to a new fiscal year.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to <b>Sena</b>	Committee: te   1
Sponsors: Grant Lemmo	enes, , ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: St. Xavier HS		House	Senate
City: Louisville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Tax Incentives for Small Business Owners and Corporate Tax Rates in the Commonwealth of Kentucky

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 141 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: This bill will provide tax cuts to small business owners and reduce corporate tax rates to encourage growth, job creation, and economic development within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 2: Tax cuts shall be available to small business owners who meet the following criteria: 1. The business must have fewer than 100 employees. 2. The business must have a physical presence in Kentucky. 3. The business must be in operation for at least 6 months prior to applying for tax cuts.

Section 3: The tax cuts shall include: 1. A 20% reduction in state income tax liability for small businesses for up to three consecutive tax years. 2. A property tax exemption for improvements made to commercial property, not to exceed \$500,000, for a period of five years.

Section 4: The corporate tax rate shall be reduced by 1%, from the current rate to a new rate, effective immediately upon passage of this bill. This reduction aims to stimulate investment and economic activity among larger corporations operating in Kentucky.

Section 5: To access these tax incentives, small business owners must submit an application to the Kentucky Department of Revenue, including documentation that verifies the business meets the criteria set forth in Section 2.

Section 6: The Kentucky Department of Revenue shall develop guidelines for evaluating applications and determining eligibility for tax cuts. This process will ensure transparency and fairness in the distribution of benefits.

Section 7: Funding for this program shall come from a wide variety of existing tax revenues, including but not limited to sales tax, property tax, and existing corporate taxes, without implementing any new tax increases.

Section 8: The Kentucky Economic Development Cabinet shall partner with local chambers of commerce and small business associations to promote this program and provide assistance to applicants.

Section 9: This Act shall take effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW   19	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to	
Sponsors: Aidan McMa	ahon, Braden Lacefield, Will Seitz,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Woodford Co. H	-IS	House	Senate
City: Versailles		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Agricultural Tax Exemptions Involving the Equine Industry Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Section 1: KRS 139.481 is amended to read as follows. Insert (2(f)) to read as follows 'anyone engaged in the occupation of raising and feeding horses'



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## Referred to Committee: **Senate | 2**

Sponsors: Eza Westlund-Gonzalez, Leonora Ray Hanley, ,	Action on the Bill	
School: Woodford Co. HS	House	Senate
	🗆 Passed	Passed
City: Versailles	Defeated	Defeated

An Act Relating To School Health Infrastructure and Student Wellness in the State of Kentucky And Declaring an Emergency

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

Section 1: `A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) All public schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall establish and maintain an Enhanced Health Recovery Space (EHRS) within their existing nurse's office or in a designated area meeting the requirements specified in this Act, all of which nursing necessities. (2) DEFINITIONS.-- As used in this Act: (a) "Enhanced Health Recovery Space" is a designated area within a school that provides a supervised rest and study space for ill students and/or those recovering from illness. (b) "Qualifying Medical Supervisor" is a licensed nurse, licensed practical nurse (LPN), or certified medical assistant with current CPR and First Aid certification.

Section 2: MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (1) Space Requirements: (a) Schools with 1–500 students shall maintain minimum three (3) beds (b) Schools with 501–1000 students shall maintain minimum five (5) beds (c) Schools with 1001 or more students shall maintain minimum seven (7) beds (d) One portable study desk per required bed (e) If funding permits, increase amount of stationary desks and/or beds (with portable study desks) (2) Staffing Requirements: (a) Each EHRS shall be supervised by a Qualifying Medical Supervisor during all school hours (b) Annual health safety training shall be required for all EHRS supervisory staff

Section 3: IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING (1) Implementation Schedule: (a) Phase 1: Pilot Program in volunteering counties with both rural and urban schools (b) Phase 2: Schools with 500–1000 students (c) Phase 3: Schools with 1000+ students (d) Phase 4: All remaining schools (2) Funding Options: (a) Schools may apply for state grants to establish or upgrade EHRS facilities (b) Schools demonstrating space constraints may apply for additional funding for portable medical pods (c) A 1.95% tax on cigarettes shall be imposed to boost funds for this initiative through government grants for all schools.

Section 4: ATTENDANCE AND DOCUMENTATION (1) Time spent in EHRS shall not count against a student's attendance record (2) EHRS visits shall be documented in a similar manner as that of a standard nurse's office visits, and any medical interventions or medical dispenses will comply with school policy.

Section 5: To provide ample time for compliance, this act shall take effect on July 1st, 2027.

