
 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 1						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Alex Stamps, Kash Taylor	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: Allen Co. - Scottsville HS							
City: Scottsville							

- 1 An Act relating to criminalize smoking tobacco and vaping in vehicles with a minor as a passenger.
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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 prohibit smoking tobacco and vaping in vehicles with a minor as a passenger. It
- 6 would fine those who endanger the lives of minors.
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- 8 Section 2: This will be a Class D misdemeanor. First offense would result in a \$250 fine. Second offense
- 9 would result in a \$500 fine. Third offense would be \$1,000 fine. Any further offense would result in both a
- 10 suspension of license for six months and 30 days of community service.
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- 12 Section 3: There would be no cost to taxpayers to enforce this bill.
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- 14 Section 4: This bill would go into effect on January 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 2						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Addison Kopczynski, Ashton Leigh, Reese Wethington	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: Apollo HS							
City: Owensboro							

1 An Act Relating To a delay in the start time for Middle and High schools in the Commonwealth of 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: Studies show that 8.5 to 9.5 hours of sleep is needed for a student's mind and body to function at
6 maximum capacity. Studies show that biological changes associated with puberty result in a change of
7 circadian rhythms resulting in adolescents to get tired later at night. This time, for most, is around 11:00 pm
8 at night, normally ending around 8:00 am. However, with the average school start time at 8:00 am, the
9 recommended amount of sleep is impossible to achieve. By establishing a mandatory start time of 8:30 am,
10 we would allow students to achieve the recommended sleep time.

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12 Section 2: The American Academy of Pediatrics and the National Sleep Foundation both have
13 recommendations for school start times to be no earlier than 8:30 am. Schools within the Commonwealth of
14 Kentucky have already begun to adopt later start times such as the Fayette County School District, which
15 holds Middle School start times at 9:00 am, and High School start times at 8:30 am. Fayette County schools
16 have shown a reduction in tardiness, sleeping in class, and exhaustion related car crashes (High School
17 Students). The Fayette County School District has also shown reports of an increase in attendance, test
18 scores, and graduation rates with their later start times. Many other states have already begun adopting
19 later school start times. Schools in Maine have reported decreases in depression suicide rates, alcohol and
20 substance abuse, and daily caffeine consumption in students.

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22 Section 3: The new proposed school day will provide Middle Schools with a school day of 8:00 am - 2:45 pm,
23 with High Schools reporting from 8:30 am - 3:30 pm. The 45 minute window in between the end of the
24 school day for Middle and High Schools will allow those students who need transport from the Middle
25 Schools to the High Schools a generous amount of time to reach their destinations. After school activities
26 such as Clubs or Athletics will still have plenty of time following the school day in order to operate and
27 function as needed. The above-mentioned schools have shown reports of students and athletes having a
28 higher rate of performance both in the classroom and in their respective sports, due to the later school times
29 providing students with the opportunity to achieve their much needed rest.

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31 Section 4: This act will be placed into effect 18 months after the passing of the bill, in order to allow schools
32 proper time to complete a plan of approach for the newly proposed school start times.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 3						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Addie Cross, Hannah Westerfield		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: Boyle Co. HS								
City: Danville								

An Act to further improve bus safety

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

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Section 1: This is a project to further improve bus safety in all schools in all counties of Kentucky.

Section 2: In Kentucky, 9,822 school buses carry 385,000 students every day of school ride the bus and their safety is of great importance to parents, bus drivers, and school officials.

Section 3: The purpose of this bill is to install a GPS system designed to help children on the bus. It has many different aspects like vehicle motorizing
This is supposed to help protect more children on public transportation.

Section 4: According to 702 KAR 5:030 section 17 states that A principal or designee shall be responsible for the organization and operation of a system of adequate supervision of the pupils as they enter and leave the school buses at the school.


Section 5: According to 702 KAR 5:030 pupil transportation section 6 states that A superintendent shall require all drivers of school buses equipped with a crossing control arm to utilize the arm when loading or unloading students. The superintendent or designee, in consultation with the certified driver training instructor, shall have full authority over the use of crossing control arms on school grounds.

Section 6: The school systems are responsible for this enforcement as well as the parents of children who ride the bus. If a parent sees a bus not use its crossing control arm while a child is loading or unloading the bus they will report it to the school systems superintendent.

Section 7: 702 KAR 5:030 section 1 clearly states that a superintendent is responsible for the safe operation and general supervision of the district’s pupil transportation program.

Section 8: This is the system that is proposed to use. It is called Wayfinder Routebuilder. Here is the information. Wayfinder’s RouteBuilder feature allows you to easily pull routes into Routefinder Pro. Trips can be optimized for the shortest distance or time.

Section 9: This will go into effect August 1, 2022

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 4						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Ava Macy, Keilana Cargo, Will Mitcham		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: Breckinridge Co. HS								
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1 An Act Relating To the Requirement of Law Enforcement in the State of Kentucky to Wear Body Cameras while on Duty.

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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 require all law enforcement in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to have a body-
6 worn camera or audio recording turned on while on duty. The body camera must be free from objects that may obstruct
7 the video or recording taken. This is to protect all parties involved if the footage would need to be presented in the
8 court of law.

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10 Section 2: The KRS 61.168 will be amended to include body-worn cameras and/or recording devices that will NOT
11 include the following: dashboard mounted cameras or recording devices used in undercover or clandestine operations;
12 but they WILL include: any video or audio recording made by a body-worn camera during the public safety officer's
13 official duties.

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15 Section 3: In the event that the recording depicts an incident that is the subject of a formal, legal, and/or administrative
16 complaint submitted against a public safety officer or the agency employing the public safety officer, the release of the
17 recording shall be governed by the provisions of KRS 61.870 to 61.884, including all of the exceptions contained in
18 said statutes. The law and rules that may govern the discovery or the submission and display of evidence in any court
19 proceeding, whether criminal or civil, or any administrative proceeding will be according to KRS 61.8746 and KRS
20 61.169.

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22 Section 4: The cost will be \$196.98 per camera. Payments will start with larger cities with higher crime rates first.

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24 Section 5: The Kentucky's Department of Justice will enforce this bill.

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26 Section 6: If a complaint of non-compliance of an officer under this requirement is filed (written), the officer will be
27 investigated under the provisions of KRS. 15. 520. They will be suspended with pay while an investigation is ongoing. If
28 the investigation lasts for 75 days or more, the officers will be reassigned to a different area until the investigation is
29 complete. If found guilty, the officer will be held with the following: first offense- attend a class that educates officers of
30 the importance of officer and citizen protection, second offense- two weeks without pay, third offense- officer will be
31 terminated.

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33 Section 7: All law enforcement agencies and personnel in Kentucky will be required to have body cameras by December
34 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 5						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Zach Townsend, Maggie Powell	Action on the Bill						
School: Central Hardin HS							
City: Cecilia							
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An Act Relating To Recycling Within Public School Systems.

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


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Section 1: This bill is an incentive for public schools in the state of Kentucky to participate in a plastic recycling program to help decrease the threats of climate change on our world.

Section 2: This recycling program will supply schools with recycling bins for plastic and give rules on what should and shouldn't be recycled. The schools will receive the recycling bins simply by requesting however many bins they need from garbage disposal areas.

Section 3: Under this bill, schools that participate in the program will receive a certain amount of money that could be put towards a number of things, including new technology, school field trips, etc. The incentive money would come from grants that are given out by Andy Beshear and the Energy and Environmental Cabinet Secretary, Rebecca Goodman.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 6
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2
Sponsors: Eliza Rupard, Bailey Nottingham, Riley Woods, Ellie Popham	Action on the Bill	
School: Cloverport Independent School	House	Senate
City: Cloverport	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated

1 An Act Relating To Sustainable Agriculture

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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 249 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:


- 6 (1) All agriculturally used fields with a perimeter greater than 400 yards must have trees planted
- 7 around the border.
- 8 (2) Trees must be no more than 45 ft. apart.
- 9 (3) Tree species must normally grow to a height of 20 ft. or more.
- 10 (4) If a tree is unable to be planted due to natural formation or building, a tree must be placed within
- 11 500 ft of the formation or building.
- 12 (5) If one of the sides of the field is obstructed by a road or body of water within 20 feet of the edge
- 13 of the field, no trees are required.
- 14 (6) Trees must be living and if one is removed or dies, it must be replaced within a year or the owner
- 15 of said land will be fined.
- 16 (7) A tree investigator will examine the trees once a year.
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18 Section 2:


- 19 (1) If a landowner fails to comply and is missing trees or the trees are dead(boeth are considered
- 20 dead), a warning will be issued.
- 21 (2) If the tree is not replaced in 6 months time, the owner will be fined \$30 per tree considered dead.
- 22 If the tree is still not replaced after another 6 months, the owner will be charged \$60.
- 23 (3) For every 6 months that the owner fails to comply, they will be charged \$60.
- 24 (4) Money collected from owners who fail to comply will be put toward the Conservation District
- 25 Environmental Grant.
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27 Section 3:


- 28 (1) Money from the Conservation District Environmental Grant will be put toward paying owners who
- 29 need trees on their property.
- 30 (2) Each owner will receive \$30 per tree at the initial planting. No additional funds will be given if one
- 31 or more trees die. It is the responsibility of the owner to replace said trees.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 7						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Chancey Campbell, Hannah Perry, Sam Elliott	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 HS							
City: Corbin							


- 1 An Act Relating To Amending Sentencing Guidelines Regarding Possession Charges under KRS 218 A.140
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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 amends the KRS 218 A.140 to change the sentencing to include a component of a
- 6 structured rehabilitation program .
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- 8 Section 2: 1st time offenders can opt for lower prison time (1 year) if they agree to a component of the 120
- 9 day rehabilitation program while serving time
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- 11 Section 3: Repeat offenders will serve the entirety of their sentence with mandatory rehabilitation while
- 12 serving their time.
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- 14 Section 4: There is no additional funding required since the programs and funding are already in place.
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- 16 Section 5: This will go into effect January 1, 2021.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 9						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Yuri Lopez, Gabriella López, Zach Ross, Tatiana Williams		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: George Rogers Clark HS								
City: Winchester								

1 An Act Relating To Establishing a Mental Health Annual Check Up Mandate
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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 210 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Kentucky currently
6 only has laws regarding sports physicals and physical check-ups. This bill would add that all students will
7 now be required to complete an anual mental health check.
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9 Section 2: The purpose of this bill is to mandate annual check-ups to make sure that students and other
10 individuals are healthy, both physically and mentally.
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12 Section 3: A therapist of your choice would complete the mental checkup, or an assigned individual who is
13 qualified with a degree in psychology. Another alternative would be their school counselor if financial issues
14 were to be a complication.
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16 Section 4: No additional funding will be needed for this bill.
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18 Section 5: This bill will go into effect July 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 11						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Ellie Naish, Rebecca Stankiewicz	Action on the Bill						
School: Lafayette HS							
City: Lexington							
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- 1 An Act Relating To Creating an Additional Tax on Coal to Be Used for Renewable Energy Education for Coal
- 2 Miners
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- 4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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- 6 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 48 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
- 7 (1) An additional tax of 5 cents per gallon is to be added on to gasoline prices and be put towards
- 8 renewable energy education for current coal miners.
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- 10 Section 2: The created bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet .
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- 12 Section 3: This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2023.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 12						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Jaden Patterson, Lauren Wikoff	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: North Hardin HS							
City: Radcliff							

An Act Relating To Legislative Term Limits


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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 6 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Any member of the General Assembly who is elected to office after the effective date of this statute shall be eligible to serve no more than 12 years in the Kentucky State General Assembly. Years in Legislative office need not be consecutive and years of service in both the Senate and the House of Representatives shall be added together and included in determining the total number of Legislative years in office. The years served by any member elected or appointed to serve less than a full Legislative term to fill a vacancy in office shall not be included in the 12-year limitation set forth herein; but no member who has completed 12 years in office shall thereafter be eligible to serve a partial term. Any member who is serving a Legislative term in office or who has been elected or appointed to serve a term in office on the effective date hereof shall be entitled to complete his or her term and shall be eligible to serve an additional 12 years thereafter.

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

Section 3: For purposes of calculating the term limits established by this section, no person may count the time a state officer, state representative, or state senator served in a particular office before January 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 13						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Lily Neal, Josh Clark, Aidan Phillips, Porscha Force	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: Taylor Co. HS							
City: Campbellsville							

1 An Act Relating to Adding Recycling Bins to Government Owned Establishments

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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 following Sections are to be signed into law.


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7 Section 2: This bill proposes that public government establishments will be required to have recycling bins.
8 The appropriate amount of bins will be determined and provided.

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10 Section 3: This bill will replace current garbage trucks with vehicles that have both a trash and recycling
11 section.

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13 Section 4: This service will be funded by taxes. Taxes will not be raised in the state but instead taken from
14 the formerly collected money meant to supply government-owned-areas used by the public.

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16 Section 5: A \$500 fine will be issued upon the establishments that do not have all their bins accounted for.
17 Waste management teams will take inventory of the number of bins seen at each destination while trash is
18 picked up.

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20 Section 6: This bill will go into effect July 1st, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 14						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Luke Humphries, Edie Adams, Laiken Guffey	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: University Heights Academy							
City: Hopkinsville							

1 An Act Relating To Mandate a financial literacy curriculum as a requirement for graduation

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5 Section 1: This bill amends KRS 158.6453 graduation requirements. For all Kentucky high school students to

6 be required to complete a financial literacy curriculum course to be eligible for high school graduation.

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8 Section 2: As of now Kentucky schools are encouraging a financial literacy curriculum class. With this bill it

9 will be a requirement.

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11 Section 3: If this bill is passed it will go into effect in the 2022-2023 school year starting with the

12 graduating class of 2026.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 15						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Jordan Pfund, Ashely Stephens	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: North Oldham HS							
City: Goshen							

An Act to Fund Rehabilitation Centers of America.


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

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Section 1: Addiction treatment is massively underfunded and under regulated, and Kentucky's overdose rates are among the highest in the nation. There was a 29% increase in illegal drug usage compared to 2019. With this, addicts or their families might reach out for help, but addiction treatment is fairly costly. And because they cannot afford it, people will go untreated for many reasons. Though they may be reluctant for personal reasons, or they may not have money or insurance to cover the costs. Though some treatment centers may offer rehab scholarships, grants, or payment plans, many people can still not afford the high prices, meaning they return to drugs. Which is a primary reason people suffering put off addiction treatment.

Section 2: Poor or little to no insurance leads to higher addiction treatment costs. Addicts are often not who we think they are, and addiction could affect anyone. With treatment being unsafe or high costs for addiction treatment. With this, through government grants, we will put money into fixing our treatment centers and providing better care to those suffering from addiction.

Section 3: With no more high costs for addictions treatment, and if this problem were to be fixed, we could most likely see a decrease in drug overdose by kentuckians. The cost would be relatively around \$50,000 to \$80,000, We would put this into effect by the beginning of next year. To conclude, this bill will help struggling addicts, decrease drug related deaths, and cut down on costs so addicts do not have to pay for treatment in which they need to survive.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 1						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
Sponsors: Aidan Davis, Blayne Wheeler, Embry Pierce, Sarah Gamble		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: Allen Co. - Scottsville HS								
City: Scottsville								

- 1 An Act Relating to guaranteed voting rights to ex-convicts upon release, bypassing the requirement for an
- 2 executive pardon.
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- 4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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- 6 Section 1: Individuals convicted of a felony in the state of Kentucky are guaranteed the right to vote
- 7 immediately on completion of their sentence and release from incarceration.
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- 9 Section 2: Individuals convicted of a felony in the state of Kentucky are not guaranteed the right to vote
- 10 while on probation or parole.
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- 12 Section 3: The government would not have any fiscal responsibility regarding the voting rights of ex-
- 13 convicts.
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- 15 Section 4: Individuals convicted of a felony pertaining to treason or voting fraud will not be able to regain
- 16 their ability to vote.
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- 18 Section 5: This bill would be enacted immediately after its passing.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 2						
	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Catherine Wright, Brayden Jennings	Action on the Bill						
School: Apollo HS							
City: Owensboro							
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1 An Act Relating To CPR/AED Certification for all Certified Teachers of the Commonwealth

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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 2020, sixth grader Landon Stanford was playing with his friends outside of school one day when he
6 suddenly collapsed. The boy, who was referred to by family members as very active, was not suffering from heat
7 exhaustion, but rather was in cardiac arrest. Luckily, Brent Doty, a sixth grade teacher at the school, was able to
8 spring into action and use his CPR certification to administer CPR to Landon and save his life. Without Doty's
9 certification and quick thinking, there is no guarantee that Landon would be alive today. This story is not the only
10 of its kind either: there have been many instances where CPR has been administered to students in school by
11 teachers. However, without certification, it is impossible for a teacher to help a student who needs it.

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13 Section 2: This bill would require all Kentucky public schools to include CPR/AED training in the already required
14 Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) training that takes place at the beginning of every school year.


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16 Section 3: As of now, CPR/AED training is not required for Kentucky teachers. Only one adult in the building must
17 be first aid certified. However, that one individual can not be everywhere at once and, depending on the size of
18 the school building, may not be able to reach a medical emergency in time.

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20 Section 4: Our bill would make it so all teachers receive certification during their annual training. Certification
21 takes 2 hours and, while CPR certification must be renewed every two years as is required by the American Heart
22 Association, teachers would renew it annually.

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24 Section 5: The cost of certifying all public school teachers will cost \$1,480,640. The money will come from the
25 Education budget and will be relocated from the Extended School Services budget and moved to the purpose of
26 training.

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28 Section 6: If any private school in the state of Kentucky elects to include CPR/AED training in their KDE training,
29 the state will provide the funding for it. If any private school teacher in the state of Kentucky elects to take
30 CPR/AED training, they will have the opportunity to accompany a nearby public school during their training.

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32 Section 7: This bill will go into effect on July 1st, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 3						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Elliot Gross, Charlie Fendig, Brian Schneider, Whitman Barber	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: Atherton HS							
City: Louisville							

An Act To legalize and regulate sex work and its subsequent promotion in Kentucky.

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

Section 1: Section 1: Repeal the following KRS chapters: 529.020-Prostitution, 529.040-Promoting prostitution, 529.070-Permitting prostitution, A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 529 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Section 2: Regulating the Location of Soliciting Prostitution - The solicitation of prostitution is legal on private property so long as the property owner has openly displayed a "license to distribute sexual services". This license can be obtained from the health department. The license requires that sexual service distribution centers maintain rigorous standards for cleanliness, ethicality, and health as determined by the Kentucky Department for Public Health. To obtain a licence, the property must be registered as a business for commercial use. These licences must be renewed yearly and possess a fee of \$2000. It is the requirement of the sexual service distribution center to provide contraceptives applicable for all forms of sexual interaction. It is the requirement of the sexual service distribution center to provide a waiver of liability signed by both the sex worker and client. Punishments: Failure to adhere to these guidelines will result in a three stage sequential disciplinary policy based upon the level of infringement. After the first infraction of the requirements of the sexual service distribution center license, the center will receive, from the Sheriff's Department, a one time fine of \$500. A second infraction will result in a 30 day licence suspension and a \$2000 fine. A third infraction will result in a removal of a licence and up to 2 year jail sentence for the property owner.

Section 3: Requirements for Sex Workers When Participating in Sexual Conduct - The person receiving the payment for engaging in sexual conduct must have proof of a "license to engage in sexual conduct". This license can be obtained from the health department. The license requires that individual sex workers are at least the age of 21 and provide accurate background information including but not limited to criminal, health, and residency history. Workers shall maintain a proof of a negative STD test within seven days of the service provision. There is a one time licence fee of \$25 and the licence must be renewed every 12 months. Punishments: Failure to adhere to these guidelines will result in a three stage sequential disciplinary policy based upon the level of infringement. After the first infraction of the requirements of the sexual service distribution center license, the center will receive, from the Sheriff's Department, a one time fine of \$100. A second infraction will result in a 30 day licence suspension and a \$200 fine. A third infraction will result in a removal of a licence and up to 90 day jail sentence.

Section 4: Requirements to Participate in Exchange of Sexual Interaction as the Client - Any client purchasing sexual interaction from a sex worker is required to be at least 21 years of age. The client must also provide proof of a negative STD test taken within the last 14 days.

Section 5: Taxation - The sex workers will be taxed as an independent contractor as defined by the IRS. The Kentucky Revenue Cabinet is tasked with reinforcing that all forms of payment involved in the transactions regarding sexual conduct are correctly reported by the sex worker. Further, it is the responsibility of the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet to ensure that all payment is declared as revenue and totaled towards the sex worker's income. The sexual service distribution center will receive the subsequent property tax as defined by the county.


Section 6: Enforcement of Regulations - The local Sheriff's Department is obligated to regulate the aforementioned Kentucky Department for Public Health created regulations. Sheriff's Departments are further required to continue to enforce KRS statues 529.100-529.170 regarding human trafficking along with local law enforcement agencies. Funds previously designated to the prevention of prostitution will be left to the discretion of local authorities so long as 50% are related to the prevention and enforcement of human trafficking and there laws.

Section 7: Illegal Prostitution - Distribution of sexual services involving payment that doesn't abide by the aforementioned regulations is a Class B misdemeanor, punishable by up to 90 days in jail and a fine of up to \$250.

Section 8: Further Action From Government Agencies - The authorization of all government agencies to make further regulations not inconsistent with this statute so long as there are not unduly burdensome requirements placed on SSDC similar to other entertainment-based businesses. It is the power of local agencies to create zoning regulations regarding the location of SSDC's and the subsequent advertisement. These regulations include but are not limited to: proximity to schools, places of worship, and residential housing.

Section 9: This bill we go into effect July 1, 2022.

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 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 4						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Micah Buckham, Jazz Page, Whitley Camp	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 Mandatory Psych Evaluations for Law Enforcement

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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 require mental screenings of all Law Enforcement Officers (LEO’s)
6 every five years to make sure they are emotionally healthy enough to continue to be on active duty.

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8 Section 2: KRS 15.440 would be amended to include mental health screening every five years.

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10 Section 3: One in every four officers have contemplated suicide, and more officers die to suicide than in the
11 line of duty. According to a 2017 study, there were an estimated 140 officer suicides which was higher than
12 the officers who had been killed on duty and the majority of officers who reported having suicidal thoughts
13 also report depression, anxiety, burnout, PTSD, and other anxiety based mental illnesses.

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15 Section 4: The costs for mental screenings are between \$25 - \$100 (depending on the location), and
16 considering insurance plans these departments have, each department will be able to cover the amount for
17 each officer.

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19 Section 5: Kentucky Law Enforcement Council will enforce this bill.


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21 Section 6: The police chief of the departments will be held responsible for making sure their officers and
22 themselves are attending their screenings.

23 First offense: A warning will be issued to have the screening completed within two weeks

24 Second offense: \$500 and a two week suspension

25 Third offense: \$1000 and a 4 week suspension

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27 Section 7: This bill will go into effect December 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 7						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
Sponsors: Claire Prater, Maggie Phelps	Action on the Bill						
School: Central Hardin HS							
City: Cecilia							
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An Act Relating To Providing Nurses in All Public Schools


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Section 1: All public Kentucky schools must have a minimum of 1 school nurse per building.

Section 2: Funding for these nurses can come from multiple sources. First, schools will have the ability to apply for state level grants. These grants will be based on the percentage of each school’s enrollment that is on free/reduced lunch. (i.e. If the school has 50% of its students on free/reduced lunch, 50% of the cost for the school nurse will be covered through grants). Grants will be awarded to the most underprivileged schools first. Grant applications will be overseen by the Kentucky Senate and House standing committees for Education. If a school does not receive a grant, nurses will bill the student’s insurance company. If the student does not have insurance, schools will be allowed to bill medicaid for “medically necessary” students.

Section 3: This bill will go into effect at the start of the 2023-2024 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 9						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Jade Jones, Riley Childers, Kaiden Walden	Action on the Bill						
School: Corbin HS							
City: Corbin							
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1 An Act Relating To require the School Board in each school district of Kentucky to provide student representation for
2 grades 9-12

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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 will provide student representation for grades 9-12 by requiring each school district to elect two
7 particular individuals, that meet certain requirements, from their school body to be the student voice on their school
8 board.

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10 Section 2: The two individuals mentioned in Section 1 will be elected through a student body election. The nominees will
11 be appointed by administrators throughout the high school. Once chosen, the candidates will be voted on in a school
12 wide election. Soon after the student representative is chosen, they will undertake the responsibilities of a school board
13 member.

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15 Section 3: Only the first year after this bill is enacted will there be two elections. One election to choose one senior
16 representative that will carry out the main duties of a school board member. The second election will select one junior
17 representative to aid the senior candidate by attending board meetings that the senior representative cannot take part
18 in. If the senior representative fails to attend five board meetings, then an impeachment process will take place and the
19 junior representative will assume the role of the main student representative.


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21 Section 4: The junior appointed in the second election of the first year will assume the main role of the student body
22 representative. An election will be held each school year to replace the junior candidate. If a candidate refuses to accept
23 a role or there are n

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25 Section 5: Both the senior and junior representatives will have to meet these requirements:
26 *GPA of 3.5 or higher
27 *95% attendance and above
28 *Exhibits characteristics of responsibility, leadership, excellence, ambition, maturity, passion, dedication,
29 respect, and honesty
30 *Have completed 10 hours of community service

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32 Section 6: In the case of an even decision in a board meeting the junior representative will be the deciding vote. Once
33 the senior graduates their role of the main representative will terminate

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35 Section 7: This bill requires no state funding.

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37 Section 8: This bill will be enacted in the school year following this bill passing.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 10						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
Sponsors: David Abel, Nolan Fleming	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: Daviess Co. HS							
City: Owensboro							

1 An Act Relating To Sports Gambling in the Commonwealth of 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 law will legalize sports gambling in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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7 Section 2: Sports gambling has been legalized in 27 states (including the District of Columbia). While sports

8 betting is illegal in the commonwealth of Kentucky, horse betting has been legal since 1906.


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10 Section 3: Alongside the current 25% taxing of all winnings, this could give the state government money that

11 it desperately needs. Reason being, as of June of 2018, the state was over \$56 billion in debt.

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13 Section 4: This law will go into effect January 1, 2022.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 13						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Maggie Ferguson, Ben Belin	Action on the Bill						
School: Henry Clay HS							
City: Lexington							
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1 An Act Relating To self-consent of minors to vaccinate and declaring an emergency and making an
2 appropriation therefore.

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

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6 Section 1: A new section of KRS Chapter 214 to be numbered 6, with appropriate renumbering of the
7 current sections 6-9, is created to read as follows:

8 (1) A minor, 12 years of age or older, may consent to receive a vaccine if the minor is capable of
9 meeting the informed consent standard, and the vaccine is recommended by the United States
10 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.


11 (2) The Department of Public Health shall produce an age-appropriate vaccine information sheet,
12 which shall be made available to providers in order to support the informed consent process of
13 minors.

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15 Section 2: KRS 214.032 (Definition for KRS 158.035, 214.010, 214.020, and 214.032 to 214.036) is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Insert (2)(a) to read "For the purposes of this subsection, a minor shall be deemed to meet the
18 informed consent standard if the minor is able to comprehend the need for, the nature of, and any
19 significant risks ordinarily inherent in the medical care."

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21 Section 3: There is appropriated to the Department of Public Health from the General Fund \$10,000 in fiscal
22 year 2021-2022 for the purposes of the alternative vaccine information sheets.

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24 Section 4: Whereas only 39.8% of Kentucky minors ages 12-17 are vaccinated against COVID-19 compared
25 to 59.8% and 89.6% of ages 18-64 and 65+, respectively, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act
26 takes effect on its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming law.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 14						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Vidhi Buch, Ailis Wigggett, Sofia Wu, Nel Afenya	Action on the Bill						
School: Lafayette HS							
City: Lexington							
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1 An Act Relating To call upon the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security to establish a Task Force for Flood
2 Disaster Relief and Mitigation and declaring an emergency and making an appropriation therefore

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

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6 Section 1:

7 (a) This bill will call for the creation of a task force whose goal is to formulate and recommend an infrastructure
8 plan for both mitigation and recovery from flood and flood-related natural disasters, particularly in rural areas.

9 (b) The Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation is expected to craft a report with findings from
10 ground audits, research, and experiments from a variety of fields represented by members of the task force.
11 This report must include recommendations of draft legislation. The task force will present its first report to the
12 Kentucky House Natural Resources and Energy Committee no later than November 1, 2022.

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14 Section 2:

15 (a) The Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation will be formed of 10-15 relevant experts such as
16 rural community leaders, ecologists and geologists who have specialised in flood damage,
17 environmental/structural engineers, preventative medicine experts, and legislative/legal advisors.


18 (b) Members of the Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation will be appointed by consultants at the
19 Kentucky Department of Homeland Security and will be confirmed by the Kentucky House Natural Resources
20 and Energy Committee. The confirmation process will begin no later than January 1, 2022.

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22 Section 3: The Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation will begin meeting no later than one month following
23 the conclusion of the confirmation process.

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25 Section 4: The Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation will be set to be reevaluated and renewed if
26 necessary six months after the initial report is submitted to the Kentucky House Natural Resources and Energy
27 Committee.

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29 Section 5: There is appropriated to the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security from the General Fund \$150,000 in
30 the fiscal year 2021-2022 for the purposes of funding the Task Force for Flood Disaster Relief and Mitigation.
31 Notwithstanding KRS 45.229, any appropriation unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2021-2022 shall not lapse but
32 be carried forward into the next fiscal year.

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34 Section 6: Whereas the task force member appointment and confirmation process is expected to be long, and the issue
35 at hand is urgent, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the
36 Governor or upon its otherwise becoming law.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 15							
	Referred to Committee: House 1							
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School: Lafayette HS								
City: Lexington								

1 An Act Relating To creating a penalty enhancer for the discontinuation of body camera footage

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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 532 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 (1) All police officers found guilty of a felony while on duty who additionally are found to have turned

7 off their body camera during the interaction resulting in the felony will be subject to a penalty

8 enhancement of the next highest degree than the offense for which convicted.

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10 Section 2: The created section may be applied by the appropriate prosecutor when a police officer is charged


11 with a felony.

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13 Section 3: This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2023.

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15 Section 4: This bill will not require additional appropriations.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 16						
	Referred to Committee: House 3						
Sponsors: Grace Bryant, Abigail Key, Camille Alexandre	Action on the Bill						
School: North Hardin HS							
City: Radcliff							
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An Act Relating to Vulnerable Road User Protections

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER XV IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:


As used here in, the term "vulnerable road user" includes:

- (a) a pedestrian, including those persons actually engaged in work up on a highway, or in work upon utility facilities along a highway, or engaged in the provision of emergency services within the right-of-way; or
- (b) a person riding or leading an animal; or
- (c) a person lawfully operating or riding any of the following on a public right-of-way, crosswalk, or shoulder of the highway:
 - bicycle, tricycle, or other pedal-powered vehicles;
 - A farm tractor or similar vehicle designed primarily for farm use;
 - A skateboard;
 - Roller skates;
 - In-line skates;
 - A scooter;
 - A moped;
 - A motorcycle;
 - An animal-drawn wheeled vehicle, or farm equipment, or sled;
 - An electric personal assistive mobility device; or
 - A wheelchair

Section 2: A person who operates a motor vehicle in a careless or distracted manner or fails to yield and causes serious physical injury or death to a vulnerable road user shall be guilty of infliction of serious physical injury or death to a vulnerable road user.

Section 3: A person issued a citation under this section shall be required to attend a hearing before a court of appropriate jurisdiction.

- Section 4: A person found to have committed an offense under this statute shall be required to either:
- a) have their driving privileged suspended for a period of no less than 6 months; and one or more of the following:
 - 1) pay a monetary penalty of not more than two thousand dollars; and/or
 - 2) serve a period of incarceration which may not exceed thirty days; and/or
 - 3) Fulfill an order of restitution for out-of-pocket losses resulting from the offense; and/or
 - 4) participate in a motor vehicle crash prevention course; and/or
 - 5) perform community service for a number of hours to be determined by the court, which may not exceed two hundred hours.
 - b) serve a period of incarceration of up to five years; and/or pay a monetary penalty of up to ten thousand dollars.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 17						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Harper Grizzle, Graci Criswell, Emma Vinson, Abbie Berry		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: Russell HS								
City: Russell								

1 An Act Relating To the opioid crisis within pregnant people.

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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 222 is created to read as follows:

6 (1) People arrested on drug charges will be given a pregnancy test.

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8 Section 2: There is appropriated to the Cabinet of Health and Family Services \$200,000 in fiscal year July
9 1st, 2022 - June 30th, 2023 for the purposes of the opioid crisis within pregnant people.

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11 Section 3: Any person who is pregnant with opioids in their system will be referred to drug education
12 classes, then choose whether or not they will go to a rehabilitation facility.

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14 Section 4: This act takes effect on January 1, 2023.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 18						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
Sponsors: Charles Cox, Cael Miracle, Connor Wilhoit, Joshua Gaddis	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: Taylor Co. HS							
City: Campbellsville							

An Act Relating To the Length of the School Week


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

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Section 1: School weeks will now be limited to 4 days per week for K-12 public schools. The length of the week will be shortened by the removal of Friday school days.

Section 2: Decisions on how to replace the time will be handled by each school district. The options would consist of changing school hours, changing durations of breaks, or lengthening the school year.

Section 3: This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 19						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Ryan Groza, Luke Brotzge	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: Trinity HS							
City: Louisville							

1 An Act Relating To Modifying Good Samaritan Law Regarding Liability 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 will allow for the protection of anyone with good intentions acting upon emergency
6 medical situations from liability. Any person performing immediate care with gross negligence or the intent
7 to harm will remain liable for their actions.

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9 Section 2: KRS 311.668 is amended to read as follows:


10 Amend (3) "The immunity from civil liability under subsection (1) of this section does not apply if the
11 personal injury results from the gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct of the person
12 rendering the emergency care" to read as follows: "The immunity from civil liability under subsection
13 (1) of this section does not apply if the personal injury results from the gross negligence or dire harm
14 of the person rendering the emergency care."

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16 Section 3: As it stands, Subsection 3 of KRS 311.668 prevents the protection of emergency respondents
17 from civil liability if personal injury arises including those who intentionally act on the situation but
18 accidentally commit more harm. In passing this amendment, any person who performs emergency care with
19 good faith will not be held responsible for damages and punished with civil liability if such person acts on the
20 scene and/or provides or arranges further care. Such persons will be held accountable under law if their
21 actions reflect gross negligence.

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23 Section 4: Civilians acting upon medical emergencies will not be held responsible for any consequences that
24 are not directly caused by their care or minor injuries to people who live.

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26 Section 5: Civilians who commit gross negligence or purposeful, unnecessary harm as mentioned in Section 3
27 will still be subject to liability. Furthermore, those who take the responsibility of acting on an emergency but
28 fail to do so for extraneous or personal reasons will also still remain liable.

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30 Section 6: This amendment will take effect January 1, 2023.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 20						
	Referred to Committee: House 3						
Sponsors: Ben McBride, Graham Miller, Joseph Eng, Lucas Osborn	Action on the Bill						
School: Trinity HS							
City: Louisville							
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An Act Relating To Promoting Organ Donation

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 311 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) The organ donation consent system will now assume consent to donation of internal organs of all legal adult Kentucky citizens in the state of Kentucky upon their death.

(2) If a Kentucky citizen would like to consent to donating an internal organ(s), then they can register to do so under our current opt-in system at participating organ donation registration sites.

(3) All adults that are mentally challenged will not be assumed to consent to organ donation. However, they still may opt in to the system at a participating organ donation registration site.


(4) Citizens may choose to opt out of the organ donation system instead of opting in at their local DMV or other currently participating organ donation registration sites. Citizens may object to donating specific organs, but consent to donating others. They must register this specific objection at a participating organ donation registration site.

(5) If the deceased citizen's family wishes to prohibit donation of all organs or just a specific organ, they have the right to. A citizen's family will be notified of the organ donation.

(6) Organs will be donated upon the death of a citizen. Organs will continue to be evaluated before donation in accordance with federal law. If organs are deemed unhealthy or unsafe to donate upon evaluation, then they will not be donated.

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

Section 3: This bill would go into effect January 1st, 2023 upon being passed.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 21						
	Referred to Committee: House 3						
Sponsors: Alison Craig, Emily Grise, Lauren Sisk, Mallory Aldridge	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: University Heights Academy							
City: Hopkinsville							

An Act Relating To Straight Party Ticket Ballots

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

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Section 1: To delete the section entitled Straight Party in the current Kentucky voter ballot. CREATE A SECTION TO KRS CHAPTER 118 READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) Straight party voting will no longer be an option for voters to check.
- (2) Voters may still vote for one party but will have to manually check individual slots for their preferred candidate for every office being run for.

Section 2: The Kentucky voting ballots format will remain as usual to the current 2020 ballot used in the last election besides this new sections implementation

Section 3: This bill will have no additional cost.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2022.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 22						
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Aleea Oakley, Garrett Jenkins, Preston Nauman		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: West Carter Co. HS								
City: Olive Hill								


1 An Act Relating to requiring persons driving under a learner's permit or intermediate license to obtain a
2 permit in order to pull a commercial trailer longer than 15 feet with a vehicle

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

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6 Section 1: In the Commonwealth of Kentucky, there is currently no law prohibiting the trailering of a
7 commercial trailer by persons driving with a learners' permit or intermediate license. Due to the inexperience
8 of this group of drivers, and the increased likelihood of an accident occurring while towing a trailer, we
9 propose the creation of a permit program, requiring those individuals driving with a learners' permit or
10 intermediate license to take a road test while pulling a trailer measuring 15 feet in length or greater. This will
11 be a requirement for any trailer greater than 15 feet in length, which will include aquatic vessels, campers,
12 flatbed trailers, gooseneck trailers, and trailers transporting livestock. Individuals wishing to take the road
13 test will be required to pay a one-time \$20 fee, and will need to provide their own trailer of length 15 feet or
14 greater. This permit will not require renewal unless the person does not obtain a full, unrestricted driver's
15 license within one year. If this requirement is not met, individuals will pay a \$7.50 renewal fee, but will not be
16 required to retest.

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18 Section 2: The aforementioned permit road test will be taken at the person's local CDL testing facility, in
19 order to accommodate the appropriate amount of space needed to complete the necessary movements of
20 the vehicle and trailer. Participants must schedule an appointment by calling the Kentucky State Police Driver
21 Testing Branch. Payment of fees can be made online after appointment has been scheduled. All revenue
22 generated from this testing program will be accrued by the Kentucky Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV),
23 which processes the fees for regular CDL testing.

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25 Section 3: While completing the road-test, participants will be required to maneuver the trailer through a
26 series of turns, to ensure that they are able to adequately control the vehicle and trailer. They must also be
27 able to back the trailer in a straight line for at least 20 feet, as well as back the trailer through a series of
28 cones measuring 20 feet or greater.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 23						
	Referred to Committee: House 2						
Sponsors: Lane Broughton, Mahir Gokaraju	Action on the Bill						
School: Western Hills HS							
City: Frankfort							
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1 An Act Relating to Requiring All Kentucky Public High Schools to have a Sign Language Class that Counts as
2 a Foreign Language Credit

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


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6 Section 1: 700,000 people who live in Kentucky have reported that they are either deaf or hard of hearing in
7 the most recent census. This number has continued to increase since then. Around 4.5 million people live in
8 Kentucky making the percentage of deaf and hard of hearing people in Kentucky about 17%, meaning 1 of 6
9 people in Kentucky are deaf or hard of hearing.

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11 Section 2: 94.35% of Kentuckians speak English fluently, which means about 6% of Kentuckians speak a
12 language other than English, compared to the 17% who are deaf or hard of hearing, which shows that
13 learning sign language instead of a language such as Spanish or French can be up to 3 times more helpful.
14 This shows our need for sign language classes for students.

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16 Section 3: This bill will force each school to have a sign language class available for students and will require
17 every public high school to have a sign language teacher. The sign language class would count as a foreign
18 language credit. The school will have to hire a sign language teacher or require a teacher who already works
19 there who is certified in teaching sign language to teach multiple classes of sign language. The money
20 required to hire the teacher comes from the government as that is where their money they pay teachers
21 comes from. If the government cannot afford another teacher, then the school will take a poll on classes they
22 would like to take and the class with the least votes gets cut, and replaced with a sign language class. If sign
23 language is the least voted for at the school who can't afford it, then the class will not be added.

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25 Section 4: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education.

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27 Section 5: This bill will take place at the start of the 2022-2023 school year for all public high schools in
28 Kentucky.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 24						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 2						
Sponsors: Aiden Hutchins, Trey Hoyer	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: North Oldham HS							
City: Goshen							

An Act To Fix Kentucky's Offensive Flag

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

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Section 1: Under Kentucky's current law, the official State Flag of the Commonwealth is a nauseating display of artistic bankruptcy.

Section 2: Recognizing that the Commonwealth's current revolting ensign violates all basic laws of Flag Design, including but not limited to

- Simplicity
- Symbolism
- No more than Three Colors
- No Text, Coats of Arms, or Seals
- Uniqueness

Section 3: This bill will adopt a new flag in place of the grotesque state flag we currently have. The Commonwealth of Kentucky will hold a referendum in which state residents will be allowed to submit new designs.

Section 4: This bill will take effect immediately after its passage. The referendum will be attached to the next Governor Election.

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	CW 25						
	Referred to Committee: House 1						
Sponsors: Shamitha Kuppala, Tai Mayling	Action on the Bill						
School: North Oldham HS							
City: Goshen							
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1 An Act Relating to Signage Promoting Mental Health in Public Middle and 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: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) All public middle
6 and high schools must display the following mental health information in a prominent location:

- 7 --National Suicide Prevention Lifeline phone number: 800-273-8255
8 --Crisis Text Line: Text "HOME" to 741741

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10 Section 2: According to the World Health Organization, half of all mental health conditions begin before age
11 15, but most cases go unacknowledged, undiagnosed, and untreated. The same organization also predicts
12 that up to 20% of adolescents worldwide experience mental health conditions, including depression, anxiety,
13 bipolar disorder, eating disorders, and addictive behavior (such as substance abuse). Furthermore, Mental
14 Health America confirms that at least two thirds of adolescents in Kentucky who express symptoms of major
15 depression receive no substantial treatment. Finally, a recent survey conducted by the Kentucky Student
16 Voice Team reported that 23.4% of middle schoolers and 41.9% of 11th and 12th graders felt more anxious
17 because of the COVID-19 crisis, signalling the urgency of promoting mental health in adolescents. Allowing
18 mental illness to fester can compromise lifelong physical and mental health and hinder potential to lead a
19 successful, satisfying adult life.

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21 Section 3: To increase accessibility for schools, a simple template for a sticker version of the required
22 signage will be made available on the Kentucky Department of Education's website. Costs for producing and
23 displaying the signage are not significant.

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25 Section 4: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education. District school boards failing
26 to follow the bill's regulations as of 2022 will be charged a \$500 fee each month until the signage is posted.
27 Collected fees will go towards the Department of Education.

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29 Section 5: This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the 2022 school year.