the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	11
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2	
Sponsors: Gavin Lawles	ss, Henry Maggard, Blaine Norris, Hunter Buschmann	Action o	n the Bill
School: Edythe J. Hayes	s MS	House	Senate
City: Lexington		Passed Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Mobile Medical Units for Natural Disasters

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

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 39 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: The Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH) shall establish and maintain a system of Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) to improve the state's ability to respond to natural disasters and provide medical services to underserved communities.

SECTION 2: A MOBILE MEDICAL UNIT (MMU) is a mobile healthcare facility with medical supplies, trained staff, and the ability to provide emergency care in the event of a natural disaster such such as floods, tornadoes, and earthquakes that threaten public health and safety. MMUs MMUs will be deployed within 24 hours of a natural disaster. KDPH will collaborate with local hospitals and emergency services to ensure smooth deployment and coordination, and be responsible for maintaining each unit. Local healthcare providers will assist in staffing the MMUs during disasters, with ongoing training provided to ensure readiness.

SECTION 3: THE KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH (KDPH) will establish, fund, and staff ten MMUs, geographically stationed in Louisville, Lexington, Bowling Green, Owensboro, Covington, Pikeville, Paducah, Morehead, Somerset, and Madisonville. Each unit will be equipped with trauma care supplies, lifesaving machines, medications, and mental health support services. MMUs will be available during non-emergency times to serve rural communities with limited access to healthcare.

SECTION 4: FUNDING – The bill allocates \$20 million from the state's disaster relief fund for MMU operation, staffing, and maintenance. Any subsequent funds needed for continued operation will be requested through public agencies such as Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), or the National Red Cross.

SECTION 5: The Kentucky Department for Public Health will ensure MMUs are operational within 18 months of the bill's passage.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	2
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 2	
Sponsors: Joe Barton,	Brody Norris, Kathryn Floyd, Logan Phillips	Action o	n the Bill
School: Edythe J. Hayes	s MS	House	Senate
City: Lexington		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Animal Cruelty Laws Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

SECTION 1. KRS 525.130 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "A person is guilty of cruelty to animals when he intentionally or wantonly subjects any animal to cruel or injurious mistreatment through abandonment, beating, torturing, tormenting, failing to provide food, drink, or health care, or failing to provide proper living conditions. This shall now be classified as a Class D felony, punishable by one to five (1–5) years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000."

SECTION 2. KRS 525.135 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "A person is guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals when he intentionally tortures, mutilates, or kills an animal. This shall remain a Class D felony, with enhanced penalties including imprisonment for one to five (1–5) years and a fine of up to \$10,000, and may include additional penalties such as a mandatory minimum sentence or higher fines based on the severity of the cruelty."

SECTION 3. KRS 525.140 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "In addition to any other penalty imposed the court will order the owner of the animal(s) involved to forfeit their ownership rights and bar the person convicted from owning or residing with any animal for up to ten (10) years."

SECTION 4. KRS 525.145 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "All fines collected under this chapter shall contribute to a state fund dedicated to animal shelter improvements and local humane society organizations."

SECTION 5. KRS 525.150 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Replace subsection (3) to read "The Department of Agriculture is tasked with creating and maintaining a public registry of all individuals convicted under this chapter. This registry shall be accessible online and updated every 3 months."

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	cw	1 3
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2	
Sponsors: James Buck	man, Seth Coker, Cam Anderson, Kayson Jones	Action o	n the Bill
School: Franklin-Simps	son MS	House	Senate
City Franklin		□ Passed □ Defeated	Passed
City: Franklin		in Defeated	L. Defeated

An Act Relating To Providing Waivers For Foster Care Candidates Who Work In The Child Care Services.

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

Section 1: Section 1: Providing waivers for foster care candidates who work in the child care services, to make it easier considering they have experience working with children. Typically to be eligible to foster a child, adults go through 6–9 months of training, evaluation and the approval process before being able to foster a child and countless hours of training.

Section 2: Child care services can be defined as people who are already trained and certified to work with children such as teachers, daycare workers, and pediatric nurses.

Section 3: The purpose of this bill is that Kentucky continues to have a growing number of children who are entering the foster care system but not enough adults are being trained to care for these children. This bill will eliminate some of the redundant training that adults already have in child care services so that more adults can easily be trained foster care parents.

Section 4: This bill will not cost the state of Kentucky anything.

Section 5: The Kentucky Department of Health and Family Services will enforce this bill.

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

Section 7: This law will go into effect on January 1, 2026.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	1 4
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 1	
Sponsors: Callie Spears	s, Liz Blackburn, Brooke Bowen, Lindsay Canada Portillo	Action o	n the Bill
School: Franklin-Simps	on MS	House	Senate
5 1. 5 11.		□ Passed	□ Passed
City: Franklin		Defeated	L. Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Providing A Recess like Break for K-12 Schools
2	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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4	Section 1: All K-12 students must have a daily break for at least 15 minutes to relax or recharge. The exact
5	length of the break will be decided by each school's principal.
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7	Section 2: This break doesn't require students to be active. It's optional, and students can choose to sit
8	quietly, take some downtime, or use the break as a study hall.
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10	Section 3: The goal of this break is to reduce stress and anxiety, helping students stay focused and
11	improving their grades and mindset.
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13	Section 4: Penalties for schools that don't follow this law: First Offense: \$1,000 fine Second Offense: \$5,000
14	fine Third Offense: \$10,000 fine
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16	Section 5: This bill won't use any taxpayer money or funds from government organizations.
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18	Section 6: The Kentucky Department of Education will be responsible for making sure this law is followed.
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20	Section 7: All laws or parts of laws that conflict with this bill will be repealed.
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22	Section 8: This law will go into effect on July 1st, 2025.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	 5
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Hou s	Committee: se 1
Sponsors: Whit Goodm	nan, Easton Hodges, Molly Gann, Niah Savage	Action o	n the Bill
School: Franklin-Simps	on MS	House	Senate
City: Franklin		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Prohibiting Smoking/Vaping In A Car With People Under The Age of 18 In Kentucky

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

Section 1: This bill will make it illegal to smoke or vape in a car with anyone under the age of 18 in the state of Kentucky.

Section 2: This law aims to reduce the dangers of secondhand smoke and prevent health problems caused by cigarettes and vapes, such as cardiovascular diseases (like high blood pressure, heart attacks, and strokes) and lung diseases (such as COPD and asthma). It also lowers the risk of lung and breast cancer.

Section 3: Kentucky has the second-highest rate of tobacco use in the country, which means there's a significant amount of secondhand smoke affecting people, especially children. This bill will help protect young passengers from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke, creating a healthier environment. By limiting tobacco use in cars, we can also set a positive example for future generations and encourage healthier habits statewide.

Section 4: This bill will not cost the state of Kentucky anything, as it's simply a change in behavior that people can make.

Section 5: The consequences for breaking this law are: First Offense: \$300 fine Second Offense: \$600 fine Third Offense: 30 days in jail

Section 6: Local law enforcement agencies will be responsible for enforcing this law.

Section 7: Any laws that conflict with this bill will be repealed.

Section 8: This law will go into effect on January 1, 2026.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	1 6
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee:
Sponsors: Briella Brov	wn, Mati Wheeler, baylee Goble,	Action o	n the Bill
School: James D. Adar	ms MS	House	Senate
		🗆 Passed	🗆 Passed
City: Prestonsburg		Defeated	Defeated

An Act Relating to Implementing the use of Recycling Bins at all Elementary, Middle, and High Schools in Kentucky

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

 Section 1: All public schools in the state of Kentucky are required to have at least one recycling bin per school.

Section 2: All public schools will coordinate with their local recycling center to implement a recycling program at their school. If they do not have a local recycling center they will use the one from the nearest town to implement a recycling program. In order to get in contact with their local recycling center, schools will have a designated staff member or a student committee/organization to talk to their representatives.

Section 3: Kentucky's current recycling rate is 38.7% as of 2017. Schools accumulate tons of waste each day. The purpose of this bill is to decrease the amount of waste produced by schools each year helping Kentucky to become a greener and cleaner place to live.

Section 4: Schools will partner with their local recycling facility to get recycling bins set up at their schools for free. Schools may apply for recycling grants through the 'Kentucky Pride Fund' for any additional fees to cover recycling costs at their schools.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect during the beginning of the 2024–2025 school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	7
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se 2
Sponsors: Trinity Carr,	Lauren Griffith, Paisly Slone, Candace Allen	Action o	n the Bill
School: James D. Adam	s MS	House	Senate
City: Prestonsburg		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Educating K-12th Grade Students In The Event Of A Terroristic Threat **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**

Section 1: Students will be educated on procedures to follow if there is a terroristic threat.

 Section 2: Each school resource officer and at least one police officer will have an assembly by grade level. These can be held in the gym or any classroom separating them by grade level. Each school can decide to teach the students how to act in this situation.

Section 3: School threats in Kentucky have experienced a concerning rise since the start of this school year, with at least 5 students facing felony charges for threats. Students need to understand that these threats are not jokes and can have devastating consequences, which will be taught in the assemblies.

Section 4: The assemblies will teach them the importance of staying safe, recognizing potential dangers, and understanding how to report suspicious behavior to trusted adults.

Section 5: This act will begin at the beginning of the 2025–2026 school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	cw	18
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 2	
Sponsors: Eleanor Ma	rksbury, Addie Roberts, Piper Miller, Kinley Davis	Action o	n the Bill
School: LaRue Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Hodgenville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An act to require Kentucky public schools to stock opioid antagonists (ex: Narcan) in at least two locations in each school

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

Section 1: Drug overdoses are becoming a big problem in all states at middle and high school levels. This bill calls for Kentucky public schools to be required to stock opioid antagonists (ex: Narcan) in at least two locations in each school.

Section 2: This bill amends KRS 217.186 Section 7 to read: 'The board of each local public school district requires each school to keep an opioid antagonist on the premises in at least two locations and regulate the administration of an opioid antagonist to any individual suffering from an apparent opiate-related overdose.'

Section 3: This bill will be funded by state funds allocated for public health and safety in schools, federal grants for public health and safety, local health departments, nonprofit organizations, pharmaceutical companies, and/or local school district budgets.

Section 4: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education through each local school board of education in collaboration with local health departments and local health providers.

Section 5: This bill will be implemented during the 2025 – 2026 academic school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	9
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2 Action on the Bill	
Sponsors: Leah Warren	n, Lydia Carl, Audrie Roberts, Ali Carl	Action o	n the Bill
School: LaRue Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Hodgenville		□ □ Passed □ □ □ Defeated	□ Passed

An act to require a Wellness Policy in Public Schools for Students in Grades K - 8

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

Section 1: Right now, Kentucky law allows students in kindergarten through fifth grade to have thirty minutes of physical activity each school day. This bill changes the law so that middle school students up to eighth grade, also get at least thirty minutes of physical activity each day.

Section 2: This bill amends KRS 160.345 Section 11 to read: 'Each school council of a public school containing grades K-8 or any combination thereof, or if there is no school council, the principal, shall develop and implement a wellness policy that includes moderate to vigorous physical activity each day and encourages healthy choices among students. The policy may permit physical activity to be considered part of the instructional day, not to exceed thirty (30) minutes per day, or one hundred and fifty (150) minutes per week. The policy developed by the school council or principal shall comply with provisions required by federal law, state law, or local board policy.'

Section 3: No additional funding will be required by this bill.

 Section 4: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education through each local school board of education

Section 5: This bill will be implemented during the 2025 - 2026 academic school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	10
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 2 Action on the Bill	
Sponsors: Kinz Hack, A	Ilma Mehicic, Juhie Patel,	Action o	n the Bill
School: LaRue Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Hodgenville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Making Insulin More Affordable in Kentucky Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Section 1: For many people with diabetes, especially in rural or poor communities, insulin isn't as easily accessible since many of them likely don't have healthcare that helps with the price of it. In our state of Kentucky, diabetes is the 7th highest leading cause of death. Around 13.8% of our adult population has this disease. The mortality rate of diabetes is too high due to some people not being able to access lifesustaining insulin prescriptions. This bill calls for capping the price of the cost-sharing for a covered prescription of insulin drug to a maximum price of \$15.00

Section 2: This bill amends KRS 304.17A-14B section (3)B to read: "(3) (b) Cost sharing for a covered prescription insulin drug shall not exceed fifteen dollars (\$15) per thirty (30) day supply of each prescription insulin drug, regardless of the amount or type of insulin needed to meet the covered person's insulin needs."

Section 3: This bill will be funded by state government budgets, insurance companies, federal grants, pharmaceutical companies, and/or nonprofit and private funding.

Section 4: This bill will be enforced by the Americans with Disabilities Act and followed by our state legislators.

Section 5: This bill will be implemented on July 1, 2025.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	11
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 1 Action on the Bill	
Sponsors: Julia Garner,	, Breanna Morris, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Marnel C. Mooi	rman	House	Senate
City: Shelbyville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Motorcycle Helmet Safety Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Noting that in 2021, 39% of motorcycle deaths in Kentucky were of those who were not wearing a helmet. Noting further, the current law in Kentucky states that only individuals under the age of 21 are required to wear a helmet while riding a motorcycle.

Section 2: Research has shown that by wearing a helmet while riding a motorcycle, 37% of deaths can be prevented for the driver, 41% of deaths can be prevented for the passenger and can reduce the overall chance of head injury by 69%.

Section 3: KRS 189.285 Regulations for operating and riding on motorcycles — Headgear requirements — Definitions of motorcycle and moped (3)(a) is amended to read as follows: (3) The following persons shall be required to wear protective headgear, in the manner prescribed by the secretary of the Transportation Cabinet, at all times the motorcycles they are riding are in motion on a public highway: (a) Any person who is operating a motorcycle or who is a passenger on a motorcycle or in a sidecar attachment.

Section 4: The court would impose the following penalty: Class A misdemeanor – no more than 12 months of imprisonment; fine up to \$500.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	12
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Sena	Committee: te 1
Sponsors : Sarah Slodki	, Aryssa Dalke, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Shelby Co. East	: MS	House	Senate
City: Shelbyville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To The Minimum Gifted Teacher Per Student Count 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 schools throughout Kentucky must implement a gifted education program in which there is one qualified gifted teacher per 75 students.

Section 2: The gifted program must include the following: (1) There is a gifted teacher available in the school with the same hours as a regular teacher in said school. (2) Acceleration tests should be available for all qualifying and consenting students.

Section 3: The funding for paying these teachers and for the acceleration tests would be provided from the sponsorship of the Kentucky Department of Education.

Section 4: This bill is to be enacted by the 2026–2027 school year.

Section 5: 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: House 2	
Sponsors: isaiah hudso	on, aiden kelly, Alyson Noack, Keith Bullock	Action o	n the Bill
School: Shelby Co. Wes	t MS	House	Senate
City: Shelbyville		☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	□ Passed □ □ Defeated

An Act Relating To The Forming Of A New Cold Case Unit For The State Of Kentucky Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1. This bill seeks to create a new Cold Case Unit for the state of Kentucky in an effort to solve unsolved murders and other heinous unsolved crimes.

Section 2. This bill seeks to secure 1.5 Million Dollars in funds in the form of grants. Funds will be used for forensic technology, travel, and pay grade. This bill also seeks to decrease the number of Cold Cases in half by the year of 2030.

Section 3. This bill will be enacted on November 16th, 2025.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	14
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee:
Sponsors: Evan Przysta	al, Max Hurst, Eli Thomas,	Action o	n the Bill
School: St. Joseph-Bard	İstown	House	Senate
City: Shepherdsville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Kentucky Beef Production Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: An act to require any store that sells beef to source fifteen (15) percent of its product from Kentucky-owned beef producers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This law will keep Kentucky beef farmers in the business and help the economy.

Section 2: Kentucky needs a bill to prohibit large beef processing companies from controlling the beef market. According to www.kybeef.com, 'Kentucky is home to over 38,000 beef farmers raising over 2.1 million cattle and calves. Kentucky is a cow-calf production state, thus being one of the states responsible for the beef life cycle.' According to www.agecon.ca.uky.edu U.K. Department of Ag Economics, 'United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) estimated the size of KY beef cow herd at 895,000. This was a 7% decrease from 2022 and the smallest beef cow herd the state has seen since 1967.' According to https://prospect.org, 'Since 2015, the prices of cattle and retail beef have moved in opposite directions; cattle prices have decreased by 35 percent while retail prices have increased by 8 percent. For the major meatpacking companies, buying low and selling high translates into much bigger profits.'

Section 3: No additional funding is needed to enforce this bill because it only requires businesses to sell a certain amount of local Kentucky beef. However, the state needs more local processing facilities to harvest locally sourced cattle. Section 4: The Kentucky Department of Agriculture will enforce this law.

Section 5: Businesses that fail to abide by this law will receive a warning and a month to get to the required amount of locally farmed Kentucky beef as their first penalty. For the second penalty, the business will be fined ten thousand (10,000) dollars and a month to get the required amount of beef. For the third penalty, the business will be fined fifty-thousand (50,000) dollars every month until the law is followed.

Section 6: This bill will go into effect in one (1) fiscal year after passage.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	15
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: te 2
Sponsors: OLIVIA ELDI	ER, Gentry Stivers, Isabella Antle,	Action o	n the Bill
School: St. Joseph-Bar	dstown	House	Senate
City: Shepherdsville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Choking Kits in Schools Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: An act requiring choking kits in all public schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Kentucky needs this law because according to consumerreports.org it could prevent deaths in schools. 'LifeVac has over 1,400 documented lives saved, Over 900 of those saved were children, with no adverse effects reported.

Section 2: According to statista.com in 2022 there were 5,554 deaths caused by choking. LifeVac is a one-time-use device for clearing objects out of the airway. To use the object a person would need to apply the clear face mask that is placed over the choking person's nose and mouth, the person using the LifeVac pushes the bellows, handles down then quickly up. Each school will keep one located in their cafeteria but can have more if they choose.

Section 3: A LifeVac costs on average seventy dollars (\$70). Each school will be responsible for purchasing their own or replace if needed.

Section 4: The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) will enforce this law. Each school will implement this law.

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

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	16
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to	Committee: se 1
Sponsors: Elise Wolfor	d, Vivian Hamilton, Aubbrey Cambron, Mia Smith	Action o	n the Bill
School: St. Joseph-Bard	dstown	House	Senate
City: Shepherdsville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated
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An Act Relating To Door-To-Door Sales Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: To prohibit using door-to-door sales in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. According to the National Human Trafficking Hotline, Kentucky needs this law because people all over the United States have a risk of getting trafficked and scammed by salespersons. Reports say that criminals will pretend to be salespeople to see if you are alone, or if nobody is home.

Section 2: Door-to-door sales are an in-person sales method used for sales, marketing, and advertising. This doesn't include campaigning because you're not trying to sell something. According to https://consumerfed.org some door-to-door sales are legitimate, many are scams in which the salespeople use high-pressure sales tactics and false claims to coerce consumers into buying products or services that they do not need or that are never delivered. Common door-to-door sales scams are for magazine subscriptions, medical alert and security systems, hearing aids, and home improvement projects. The development of mail orders and sales via the Internet gradually reduced the need for door-to-door sales.

Section 3: This bill will have no additional funding.

 Section 4: The Kentucky Department of Bureau of Labor will implement this law. The police will enforce the law.

Section 5: Businesses who fail to abide by this law will be punished by the following: The first penalty will be a three hundred dollars (\$300) fine, and a week of community service. The second penalty will be a five hundred dollars (\$500) fine and this will continue until they follow the law.

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

· ·	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	17
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to	Committee: se 2
Sponsors: Jenna Cumm	ins, Annelise Prodent, Mason Weber,	Action o	n the Bill
School: St. Patrick Scho	pol	House	Senate
City: Maysville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

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

Section 1. KRS 337.275 (1) is amended to read as follows: '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 five dollars and eighty-five cents (\$5.85) an hour beginning on June 26, 2007, not less than six dollars and fifty-five cents (\$6.55) an hour beginning July 1, 2008, not less than seven dollars and twenty-five cents (\$7.25) an hour beginning July 1, 2009, and not less than eight dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8.75) an hour beginning July 1, 2025. 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.'

Section 2. The Kentucky Labor Cabinet's Division of Wages and Hours will enforce this law.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	18
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 1	
Sponsors: Tinley Carrol	l, Carson Olson, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Talton K. Stone	MS	House	Senate
City: Elizabethtown		Passed Defeated	□ Passed

An Act Relating To Animal Ownership for Kentuckians Convicted of Animal Abuse **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: The court shall order a person convicted of any felony against an animal to relinquish custody of all animals under the person's control; and to not harbor, own, possess, or exercise control over any animal, reside in any household where animals are present or work or volunteer in a place where the person has unsupervised access to animals for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the imposed sentence.

Section 2: This act takes effect on July 1, 2025.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	19
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 2 Action on the Bill House Senate	
Sponsors: Jade Swiney,	Owen Smith, ,	Action o	n the Bill
School: Talton K. Stone	MS		_
City: Elizabethtown		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Underaged DUI Conviction and Consequences

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 189A IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Drivers under 21 who are convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) are required to enroll in the Kentucky Ignition Interlock Device (KIID) Program until they are 21 years old or have completed a minimum of six (6) months of the program.

Section 2: Recognizing the seriousness of an underaged DUI and the importance of punishments that educate and rehabilitate underaged drivers, KIID will allow individuals under 21 to maintain access to transportation in a controlled environment that promotes safety of the individual, car occupants and other Kentuckians.

Section 3: Consequence is a minimum of six (6) months and based on the date of the DUI charge and not the date of conviction.

Section 4: The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will oversee the implementation of the KIID Program.

19 Section 5: This act takes effect on July 1, 2025.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Sena	Committee: te 1
Sponsors: Abby Eastm	an, Gretchen Durham, Graham Conrad, Arieanna Brody	Action o	n the Bill
School: University Heig	hts Academy MS	House	Senate
City: Hopkinsville		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated
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An Act Relating To Mandate Safety Guidelines for School Facilities 1 2 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 3 4 SECTION 1: All schools implement mandatory facility safety guidelines for physical structures on school 5 property. 6 7 SECTION 2: School districts must implement one of three levels of safety standards, with a minimum of LEVEL ONE SCHOOL SAFE Guidelines (L1SS) being met. 8 9 10 SECTION 3: LEVEL ONE SCHOOL SAFE Guidelines (L1SS) includes: all entry and exit points being locked during 11 the school day with one designated entry/exit monitored by school personnel. 12 SECTION 4: LEVEL TWO SCHOOL SAFE Guidelines (L2SS) includes: implementation of L1SS guidelines; and (1) 13 all exterior doors and windows being made of bullet-proof material; and (2) video cameras installed at all 14 15 entry/exit points of buildings and common areas including, but not limited to, cafeterias, libraries, hallways, and gymnasiums. 16 17 18 SECTION 5: LEVEL THREE SCHOOL SAFE Guidelines (L3SS) includes: implementation of L1SS and L2SS 19 quidelines; and schools implement "Advanced Threat" camera technology.

SECTION 6: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2026.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	21
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: se 1
Sponsors: Bianca Wainscott, Lilah Borchardt, ,		Action o	n the Bill
School: Villa Madonna	Academy ES	House	Senate
City: Villa Hills		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed

An Act Relating To Counselors in Schools Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1. KRS 158.4416 is amended to read as follows: It shall be required that each school district and each public charter school shall provide at least one (1) school counselor or school-based mental health services provider who is employed by the school district for every two hundred fifty (250) students.

Section 2. This Act shall take place January 1, 2026.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee:
Sponsors: Emily Robins	son, Darcy Jones, Rylan Kraemer,	Action c	n the Bill
School: Villa Madonna	Academy ES	House	Senate
City: Villa Hills		□ Passed □ Defeated	□ Passed □ Defeated

An Act Relating To Domestic Violence Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1. KRS 403.720 is amended to include coercive control as part of the definition of domestic violence and abuse. It should read as follows: "Domestic violence and abuse" means: (a) Physical injury, serious physical injury, stalking, sexual assault, strangulation, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical injury, serious physical injury, sexual assault, strangulation, or assault between family members or members of an unmarried couple; it also includes isolating a person from friends and family, depriving a person of necessities, controlling finances and/or communications, releasing or threatening to release images, damaging or threatening to damage property including household items and pets.

Section 2. This Act shall take place January 1, 2025.

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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill

Referred to Committee: **House | 1**

Sponsors: Maci Greene, Gracie Middleton, Piper Rayburn, Abby McCleese	Action on the Bill	
School: West Carter Co. MS	House	Senate
	🗆 Passed	🗆 Passed
City: Olive Hill	☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To Minimizing the Threat of Gun Violence in Schools **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 are required to assess and implement security measures to enhance student and staff safety, which may include the use of metal detectors. (2) Schools may utilize handheld metal detector wands or walk-through scanners based on their specific needs and layout. (3) The school's population will determine the number of metal detectors, but schools should consult security experts to tailor their approach. (4) A minimum of one walk-through scanner or two handheld metal detectors will be required for every three hundred students in a school.

Section 2: All Kentucky public schools will be mandated to acquire and utilize handheld or walk-through metal detectors as part of their safety plans. Schools or districts facing compliance challenges will receive technical assistance and additional resources as needed. The Commonwealth of Kentucky will establish a dedicated public safety fund to facilitate the acquisition, maintenance, and operation of metal detectors in schools.

Section 3: Implementation of this Act will occur in phases, with a pilot program in select schools to assess effectiveness. Full compliance with the requirements is expected by August 1st, 2028, with interim assessments every six months to evaluate progress and outcomes.

Section 4: Schools will be required to implement educational programs regarding the purpose and importance of security measures. These programs will include opportunities for parent and student feedback.

Section 5: Schools must amend their comprehensive safety plans to integrate metal detectors with mental health resources, staff training, and emergency response protocols. Specific strategies for this integration will be outlined, including partnerships with local mental health organizations.

Section 6: Schools shall hold meetings to gather input from parents, local law enforcement, and mental health professionals during the planning and implementation processes.

Section 7: Schools will evaluate the pilot program based on criteria such as student and staff feedback, incident reports, and overall safety perceptions to inform future decisions and adjustments.

Section 8: This Act will go into partial effect on August 1st, 2025, with the establishment of the opt-in pilot program for participating schools, and will go into full effect on August 1st, 2028.