the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG	BG 1	
		Referred to C		
Sponsors: Aidyn Bryan	, Ashtyn Law, Oliver Holloway, Jay Russell	Action on	the Bill	
School: Chandlers ES		House	Senate	
City: Russellville		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated	

1	All Act Relating To have vape Awareness Programs for oth-12th Grade Students.
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: Schools will be required to have an educational program on vaping before the first school
6	semester ends. Schools would host an assembly/or education program on vaping.
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8	Section 2: Current vaping among children 11-17 has gone up from 4% in 2020 to 7% in 2022 and the
9	proportion of children who admit ever having tried vaping has also risen from 14% in 2020 to 17% in 2022.
10	Sixteen percent of cases involved patients under the age of 18. Doctors have found at least one
11	commonality among the patients, recent use of vaping products. Vaping can cause anxiety, and depression.
12	In February 2020, 2,807 cases of e-cigarette or vaping use caused 68 deaths.
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14	Section 3: Each school district will be in charge of making sure this law is enforced.
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Section 4: This law will go into effect at the start of the 2023–2024 school year.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	2
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Co	
Sponsors: Liam Havens	s, Aiden Hamilton, Baylor Rainey, Jojo Rueff	Action on	the Bill
School: Christ the King ES - Lexington		House	Senate
City: Lexington		☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act Relating To Little League Players Being Required to Wear Face Protectors on Their Helmets.

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

Section 1: A Little League face covering on players' helmets will be required when batting and running bases. It will protect all little league batters' faces from getting any serious face injuries from a wild pitch or hit. This could make baseball a safer sport and decrease the number of injuries.

Section 2: The face covering is a protective shield that will be sold with the helmet at stores across Kentucky. If a team travels out of the state, it is recommended that they use the protective gear, but it is not required. The percentage of people that get hit in the face while batting is 17 percent, but it is lowered to almost 0 percent with a face guard on the helmet. The face guard helps cover the face and does not affect vision. Common injuries that would be avoided include: broken nose, chipped teeth, or loss of teeth.

Section 3: The cost of the face shields on the helmets are between 20 to 70 dollars including installation. Stores will incur an upfront investment to purchase the face shields, but will make their money back plus a profit with the sale of each face shield. The impact of the face shields is to protect the face at all times. Additionally, the face shield will impact the doctors and dentists working with the injuries that could possibly happen. The doctors and dentists will have more time to work on serious injuries. The consequences of not having a face guard is that the player must either borrow one from another player or will not be allowed to bat if he or she can't get one. Players are only allowed to play in the field, not bat. If they do not have it on their helmet f or more than three games they won't be able to play until they get one. The benefits of the face shields are that players are protected and won't need to receive medical care for injuries.

Section 4: If the batter comes out of the dugout and doesn't have a face shield on, he or she will be forced to go back in the dugout to get one of his or her teammate's helmet. If the batter refuses to wear it the next game he or she will not be able to play the remainder of the game. If he or she does not have the face shield for the next game then the league will be fined \$100 for not following the safety rules.

Section 5: The bill will go into effect three months before the 2023-2024 Little League season. This will give the players some time to get used to the new helmets.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 3	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Clare Mcalli	ster, Evan Newman	Action on	the Bill
School: East Oldham M	IS	House	Senate
Citv: Crestwood		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Expanding Eligibility for Adopting from the Foster System
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: Applicants for foster or adoptive homes must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
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7	Section 2: There shall be no maximum limitation age for applicants for foster or adoptive homes, provided
8	they are healthy as outlined in 922 KAR 1:310
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10	Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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12	Section 4: This shall go into effect immediately upon passage into law

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 4	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Madison Ba	xter, Kaylie Linton, Natalie Grant	Action on	the Bill
School: Grayson Co. MS	5	House	Senate
City: Leitchfield		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act Relating To Legalizing Medical Marijuana

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

 Section 1: Recently a four year old little girl died of cancer, she had lived a very painful life, due to the illegality of medical marijuana. Legalizing medical marijuana will give children and adults the chance to live a less painful and miserable life. Chemicals (or cannabinoids) found in marijuana help treat nausea and vomiting from chemotherapy, helps treat neuropathic pain (pain caused by damaged nerves), and helps stimulate appetite, which helps to slow down weight loss in patients with advanced cancer. Furthermore, Kentucky is one of the 13 states that has yet to pass this law, failing to save the many who require this medication.

Section 2: The purpose of this bill is to legalize medical marijuana in the state of Kentucky to make the lives of many people suffering from chronic illness easier and more pain free. This bill will help people with illnesses and disorders such as: Epilepsy, Cancer, Alzheimers, Crohn's Disease, etc. Some advantages of medical marijuana include the following: reduce inflammation, relieve pain, controlling nausea and vomiting caused by chemotherapy.

Section 3: The state of Kentucky has discussed the topic of legalizing medical marijuana, but disregarded it many times. There will be no money needed to enact this bill because it will be prescribed by a physician or for medical emergencies. Actually, this bill can produce revenue for the state of Kentucky due to farmers being able to produce and sell their crops with the legalization of medical marijuana. Medical marijuana also helps with: lowering blood pressure, treating gastrointestinal (GI) disorders, preventing seizures, ect. The legalization of this bill would also help our local farmers produce more crops which leads to their success.

Section 4: Penalties for misusing or selling medical marijuana without a medical degree/permission will be fined up to \$500 and/or 2-6 months in prison. If one is to be caught doing this multiple times, there would be a fine between \$600-\$1000 and/or 6-8 months in prison.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect 45 days after being passed.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	5
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Abbhi Damo Knopp	odaraswamy, Anya Rivas-Mendez, Ashley Wambold, Lily	Action on	the Bill
School: Mary Queen o	f the Holy Rosary ES	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Lexington		☐ Defeated	Defeated

An Act relating to the change from 213 percent to 300 percent of the federal level for eligibility in the Kentucky Children's Insurance Program (KCHIP)

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

Section 1: The Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) is free health insurance for children younger than 19 without health insurance. Children in families with incomes less than 213 percent of the federal poverty level are eligible.

Section 2: Our proposal is for the percentage to change from 213 percent to 300 percent of the federal level for eligibility.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 6	
the		Referred to C	
Sponsors: Caroline Col	ob, Catherine Soldato, Corinne Brown, Micah Osting	Action on	the Bill
School: Mary Queen of	the Holy Rosary ES	House	Senate
City: Lexington		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act relating to the addition or re-addition of Home Ec classes in Kentucky Schools

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

Section 1: There are many courses not offered in schools that would be beneficial for student growth in life. Home ec is slowly not becoming an option in most schools. We would like to add that back into schools in order for students to get a more rounded education.

Section 2: While common core subjects are important, home ec courses will further students ability to succeed after they graduate from school.

©	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 7	
		Referred to C	
Sponsors: A'Layah Lovar	n, Edwin Espinoza Castaneda, Tony Chapa	Action on	the Bill
School: Muhlenberg Sout	th MS	House	Senate
City: Greenville		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act Relating To Officer Training and the Handling of No-Knock Warrants

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

Section 1: AMEND KRS CHAPTER 455, SECTION 3.1.a TO AMEND PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS AUTHORIZING ENTRY WITHOUT NOTICE IN COUNTIES WITH LESS THAN 90,000 RESIDENTS.

Section 2: On April 9, 2021, Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear signed a bill into law limiting the use of no knock warrants. This bill seeks to amend section 3.1.a to require ALL officers receive appropriate training in the execution of arrest and search warrants authorizing entry without notice, even in counties with less than 90,000 residents.

Section 3: The purpose of our bill is to require specialized officer training in conducting no-knock entries. A Kentucky task force on search warrants released a report in December of 2021 in the wake of the Breonna Taylor police shooting. Their findings recommended additional training for officers. Currently, state law requires that SWAT or special response teams with special training issue warrants requiring entry without notice to occupants. In counties under 90,000 residents, any officer is allowed to execute no-knock warrants if these special response teams are unavailable.

Section 4: The Kentucky Attorney General or deputy attorney general would enforce the law. Any officer that refuses training or fails to receive specialized training within one calendar year of this amendment's passage will be relieved of their duties immediately.

Section 5: This amendment to KRS Chapter 455 will go into effect July 1, 2023.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 8	
the		Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Carrie Mills,	Iris Elliott, Mackenzie Toliver, Skylar Watson	Action on	the Bill
School: Murray MS		House	Senate
City: Murray		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To allow Kentucky Schools to implement a 4 day school week
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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: To allow public
6	school districts in Kentucky the option for a 4-day school week.
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8	Section 2: Kentucky school districts shall choose to extend the school day, add days to the beginning or end
9	of a school year, or both. School districts will still have the ability to provide breaks such as fall and spring
10	break.
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12	Section 3: School districts shall determine which day to remove from the current 5 day school week. This day
13	will not change during the school year.
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15	Section 4: Academic focus groups for math and reading as well as social emotional learning groups have the
16	option to meet on off days on a rotation basis.
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Section 5: This bill will go into effect for the 2023–2024 school year.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	BG 9	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C		
Sponsors: Caylee Cas	sh, Jacob Gadd, Aj Martin, Coleson Shepherd	Action on	the Bill	
School: Rockcastle Co	o. MS	House	Senate	
City: Mt. Vernon		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	
City: Mit. Verillon				

An Act relating to fresh air and physical activity breaks for all Kentucky middle and high school students. 1 2 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 3 4 Section 1: Requiring all Kentucky public middle and high schools to have at least one 10 minute fresh air or 5 physical activity break for all students each day. 6 7 8 Section 2: This bill would provide for a fresh air break for every Kentucky student. During this time, they 9 would be able to walk around the track or other outside or inside area (ex. bus loop, field, gym, etc) to improve physical fitness. This will be an opportunity for students to refocus, exercise their bodies, and get 10 11 Vitamin D to finish their day strong. 12 13 Section 3: This bill would not require additional funding. No equipment will be required. 14 Section 4: The school district will ensure the bill will be enforced. Each school will include this break in their 15 16 schedule which will be reported to the state education department. 17 Section 5: If a teacher or school does not enforce the bill, it will be subject to: 18 1st Offense: Warning from the school district (superintendent) 19 2nd Offense: School District disciplinary action and warning from KDE 20

Section 6: This bill will go into effect July 1, 2023.

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3rd Offense: KDE disciplinary action (Corrective Action Plan)

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG 10	
the		Referred to C	
Sponsors: Arjun Pate	l, Finn Berry, Trent Johnson	Action on	the Bill
School: South Warren	MS	House	Senate
City: Bowling Green		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Reckless Homicide Sentences
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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 191 IS CREATED AND READS AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) All reckless homicide offenders shall serve a mandatory sentence of 10 year to 20 year prison
7	sentence with an addition to \$10,000 in fines.
8	(2) This bill shall also increase the offense into a class B felony.
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10	Section 2: Convicts with an addition to DUI offenses may undergo an additional 3 month rehab service free
11	of charge.
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13	Section 3: Convicts shall also have their driving license suspended for 2 months.
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15	Section 4: Any statue contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C Senat		
Sponsors: Lily Kate St	innett, Thomas Dusza	Action on	the Bill	
School: St. Agnes Scho	ool	House	Senate	
City: Louisville		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	

1	An Act Related to Require Voting Polls to Be Open Longer
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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 KRS of chapter 117 is created to read the following: All voting polls will open at
6	5am and close at 8 pm.
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8	Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act will be amended or repealed.
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10	Section 3: This bill will not cost any money.
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12	Section 4: This Bill will be enforced by the Kentucky State Board of Elections.
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14	Section 5: This Bill will go into effect on January 1, 2024.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Brody Hayo	raft, Gabriel Whetstone, Mason Miceli, Kylah Williams	Action on	the Bill
School: St. Andrew Ac	ademy MS	House	Senate
City Louisville		☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated
City: Louisville			

An Act Relating To Moments of silence and reflection. 1 2 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 3 4 Section 1: KRS 158.175 is amended to read as follows: As a continuation of the policy of teaching all history 5 and as an affirmation of the freedom of religion in this country, the board of education of a local school 6 7 district may authorize moments of silence and reflection, in public secondary schools. 8 9 Section 2: Student's will not be required to recite any religious prayers, but allowed to do so, silently. 10 11 Section 3: The board of education of each school district shall establish a policy and develop procedures whereby the pupils in each secondary school may participate in moment's of silence and reflection each 12 13 school day. 14 15 Section 4: The policy shall require notification to be sent to parents or quardians providing information on the policy and encouraging parents and guardians to provide guidance to their pupils regarding the moment 16 of silence or reflection. 17 18

Section 5: This Act takes effect February 1, 2023 allowing all the time to prepare.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	BG	BG 13	
the		Referred to C Senat		
Sponsors: Ava Cornet	t, Sierra Polley	Action on	the Bill	
School: St. Patrick Sch	ool	House	Senate	
City: Maysville		─ □ Passed□ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To Banning Animal Testing
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: No animals may be used to test the safety or efficacy of products for research, medical, cosmetic,
6	or other purposes in the state of Kentucky. Companies, universities, and other entities that currently engage
7	in animal testing will transition to alternative, reliable methods to test the safety and efficacy of their
8	products.
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10	Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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12	Section 3. This hill will take effect January 1 2024

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Annie Tova	r, Coral Fox, Bryn Peyton, Iris Dailing	Action on	the Bill
School: Sts. Peter and	Paul School – Lexington	House	Senate
City: Lexington		□ Passed□ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act Relating To Improving Lunch Choices and Quality in Kentucky Schools.

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

 Section 1: Currently in Kentucky schools, school lunches do not have the nutrition value that kids need. For many students who are limited in what they can eat based on health needs or religious beliefs, they have no choice in some cases. This bill would improve school lunches by providing fresh meal options that are healthy and nutritious while also meeting the needs for every type of student.

Section 2: Today over 1,300 of Kentucky Schools participate in the National School Lunch Program for both lunch and breakfast. This program advises that lunches should be made of one or more proteins and starch, at least one whole grain variety each week, one or more portions of vegetables or salad and fruit each day, plus a desert twice or more each week. This bill proposes that Kentucky Schools offer more options and have stricter guidelines for what is offered to students.

 Section 3: This bill proposes that schools work with local farmers and produce agencies to develop a school lunch menu that offers at least three health options per day. These options should be nutritious, and include a vegetarian option and/or gluten free option and a vegan option. Standards for Kentucky lunches would be changed to offering a minimum of 50% of a fresh food option from local producers. Federal daily nutritional quidelines shall be followed along with this requirement.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2024.

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the		Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Bryce More	man, Mia Miller	Action on	the Bill
School: Talton K. Stone	e MS	House	Senate
City: Elizabethtown		─ □ Passed□ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

1	An act to require tornado alert radios be installed in all new construction homes in rural Kentucky areas.
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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 17 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) All new construction homes in rural Kentucky must have hard wired tornado weather radios
7	installed.
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9	Section 2: In all new construction homes, tornado weather radios powered by a hard wire AC primary power
10	source shall be installed and maintained by the owner.
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12	Section 3: Rural will be defined as homes located more than 5 miles from the nearest city managed tornado
13	sirens.
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15	Section 4: Tornado weather radios shall be placed in centrally located common areas so that sirens will

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adequately alert all sleeping areas.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C		
Sponsors: Vivian Fox,	Olivia Moreno	Action on	the Bill	
School: Talton K. Ston	ne MS	House	Senate	
		☐ Passed	\square Passed	
City: Elizabethtown		☐ Defeated	\square Defeated	

1	An act to require a 10 point grading scale for all public schools 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: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: All public schools in
6	Kentucky will be required to adopt a 10 point grading scale for students in grades 3 - 12.
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8	Section 2: The grading scale for all public schools in Kentucky would be as follows:
9	90-100 - A,
10	80-89 - B,
11	79-70 - C,
12	69-60 - D,
13	59 and below - F.
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15	Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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17	Section 4: Penalties: Public school districts not in compliance by August 1 of the upcoming school year will
18	forfeit 5% of their Kentucky SEEK funding for the following school year and each year after, not in
19	compliance.

Section 5: This Act takes effect August 1, 2023.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Ashley Price	e, Finley Mackay, Ross Storer, Kylin Abshear	Action on	the Bill
School: Walton-Veron	a MS	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Walton		☐ Defeated	Defeated

An act to require all public middle and high schools to teach courses on the dangers and effects of social media on our Kentucky youth

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

Section 1: Being that mental health has become a crisis not only in Kentucky but nationally, leading to anxiety, depression, eating disorders, alcohol and drug use, health issues, and even suicide, with social media being a leading cause of these issues.

Section 2: By requiring middle schools and high schools to teach our youth about the dangers of social media and how it can lead to mental illness, depression, alcohol and drug use, health issues, and suicide, our young Kentuckians will be more educated about how to combat the effects of online predators and the pressures of social media and the bullying that accompanies it.

Section 3: Schools will have the option of teaching the information through either health/PE or business curriculum, and can be taught by trained current faculty members, professionals in the field, nurses, or having police officers visit schools to teach the material. The information will be taught regularly throughout the school year, at a minimum of once per week.

Section 4: Schools will be required to prove curriculum is being taught and will be monitored and audited by the Kentucky Department of Education.

Section 5: Students will be held accountable for the information taught by taking assessments in the classroom throughout the year. There will NOT be a state assessment required at the end of the school year on this curriculum.

Section 6: Schools not complying with these requirements will lose \$100.00 of the guaranteed base SEEK funding they receive per pupil for the following school year.

Section 7: If passed, this law will take effect and be implemented during the 2023–2024 school year.

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	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Anna Johnso	on, Morgan Weddle, Lauren Woodrum, Addy Davis	Action on	the Bill
School: Casey Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Liberty		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An Act Relating To lowering the minimum age requirement for bone marrow donation to 16 with two forms 1 of consent. 2 3 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 4 5 6 Section 1: This bill will allow people age 16 and older to give consent for bone marrow donation. The minor 7 will have to give verbal and written consent along with the verbal and written consent of a parent/guardian 8 for the procedure to be conducted. 9 10 Section 2: This bill will enlarge the pool of donors and give others the opportunity to save a life. In amendment to the current regulations of donors having to be of 18 years of age with no possibility of 11 consent for minors. 12 13 14 Section 3: This bill will require no additional funding as it will follow all current bone marrow donation

regulations and guidelines.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	cw I	2
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Linnie Hoski	ns, Silvy Longino, Ava Haley	Action on	the Bill
School: Casey Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Liberty		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To mandatory daily recess for middle school and high school.
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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 require middle schools and high schools to allow 30 minutes of daily recess for the
6	students.
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8	Section 2: Students will benefit from the daily recess socially, physically, and mentally. This bill would be
9	enacted state wide and go into effect in the 2023-2024 school year.
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11	Section 3: Schools would need to start at 7:30am and end at 3:00pm. Students will sere their recess time
12	after lunch.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 3	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Karissa Pai	rrish, A.J. Davis, Trapper Mccarley, Natalie Cox	Action on	the Bill
School: Chandlers ES		House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Russellville		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To Adding More Suicide Prevention Education in Schools

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

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Section 1: Current law requires schools to have an educational program by September 1. This bill will require schools to have an additional program second semester on suicide prevention. Schools would host an assembly/or education program on suicide prevention.

Section 2: Suicide is the second leading cause of death in minors in the state of Kentucky and the United States. The average number of deaths caused by suicide in Kentucky each year is 801. Although, suicides in adults have declined slightly, suicides in minors have increase in the past 3 years. The main leading cause of suicide for minors in Kentucky is a stressful life, problems in school, break up with a boyfriend or girlfriend, loved ones death, and divorce of parents. On average in Kentucky a suicide occurs every 11 hours.

Section 3: Each school district will be in charge of making sure this law is enforced.

Section 4: This law will go into effect at the beginning of the 2023–2024 school year.

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Sponsors: Eli Skinner, Walker Tweardy, Baird Woodall, Preston Rogers Action on th		the Bill
School: Christ the King ES - Lexington	House	Senate
City: Lexington	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated☐

An Act Relating To Increase How Many Hours Minors are Allowed to Work Jobs.

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

Section 1: This act will allow minors between the ages of 14-17 years old to work more hours per day when school is in session as well as when school is not in session.

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Section 2: When school is in session, 14-15 year old's will be able to work up to five hours per day instead of three hours per day. Fourteen and fifteen (14-15) year old's, when school is not in session, will be able to work up to twelve hours per day instead of eight hours per day. In addition, the amount of hours 16-17 year old's can work will increase up to eight hours per day when school is in session instead of six per day. When school is not in session, 16-17 year old's will now have no restrictions on the amount of hours they can work instead of being limited to eight hours per day.

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Section 3: No funding will be required for this bill. All minors under the age of 18 are still required one documented thirty minute break for every 5 hours of continuous work. Minors 14-15 years old are not allowed to work any earlier than 7:00 A.M. or any later than 7:00 P.M. on a school day or 9 P.M. on days after June 1st through labor day. Young adults 16-17 years old may not work any earlier than 6:00 A.M. or any later than 11:00 P.M. following a school day or 1:00 am following a non-school day. Other labor laws such as minimum wage as well as the prohibited jobs will not be affected. Employers who exceed the limits will be fined up to 10,000 dollars per infraction and face possible jail time.

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Section 4: Because education is still the number one priority, minors who have a D average or lower in any subject will be denied these hours. If school is canceled because of weather, off due to a Federal holidays, or a district determined day off laws will be in effect as if school was still in session.

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Section 5: A benefit for the workers includes an increased income for families who may have a hard time affording food, clothes, and other basic necessities. Working more hours can also teach minors how to balance work and other responsibilities in preparation for their future full time job.

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Section 6: Allowing minors to work more hours also makes it easier for employers to find work and fill shifts. This therefore allows businesses to stay open for longer hours and have more help when it is needed.

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Section 7: This act will go into effect on January 1, 2023

© °	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	5
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Emme Pete	rson, Maggie Meegan, Maggie Sheppard, Lizzie Wathen	Action on	the Bill
School: Christ the King	g ES - Lexington	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Lexington		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To Stopping Second Hand Smoking and Vaping When Minors are Present in a Motorized Vehicle.

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

Section 1: This bill will require adults to not smoke when a minor is present in the car with them. Children are getting ill and dying from adults smoking near or around them. Children inhale the toxic smoke and it can have the same effects as the person smoking at the time. Exposure to secondhand smoke causes an estimated 41,000 deaths each year in the United States. Lung cancer causes 7,333 of these deaths annually while 33,951 of the deaths are caused from heart disease. Nonsmokers who are exposed to secondhand smoke at home, at work, or in the car are at risk of developing heart disease by an increase of 25–30%.

Section 2: Secondhand smoking is when someone is smoking or vaping near another person. When the smoker exhales, and the second person inhales the fumes, it's just as if they were smoking the cigarette or vape at the same time. Some of the health care issues with smoking/vaping are the following: ultrafine particles inhaled deep into the lungs, possible death from lung cancer, lowered immune systems, increased likelihood to become sick as well as a weakened chance of getting over sicknesses.

Section 3: If caught smoking or vaping in the car with a minor, you will be fined \$500. For a second offense you will be fined \$1,000. Finally, if you have a third offense you will be tried in court, and if found guilty will serve jail time. Every offense there after will have an increasing penalty that will be decided upon by the Judge.

Section 4: This will end deaths and illnesses in minors related to secondhand smoking and has no extra expenses or training associated with it. This bill is to protect the kids of Kentucky and keep them healthy. It will also make more people aware of the harm of smoking, second hand smoking, and e-cigarette/vapes. It will benefit the Earth and it will increase the amount of minors surviving each year which increases our population.

Section 5: This Act will go into effect January 1, 2023.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	cw I	6
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Isaiah Stone	e, Annabelle Lynn	Action on	the Bill
School: Daviess Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Owensboro		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated☐

An Act Relating To the Raising of the Minimum Wage to \$15 in Kentucky

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

Section 1: The average cost of groceries, gas, car and house payments, insurance, and other necessities continue to rise, but the minimum wage has not been raised in over 15 years. It has remained stagnant at \$7.25 per hour.

Section 2: Beginning in 2024, the minimum wage in Kentucky will increase by \$1.55 per year until \$15 is reached in 2028. This will prevent employers from being overburdened by a sudden rise to \$15.

Section 3: There are currently 13 other states with plans to raise their minimum wage rates to \$15 over the next few years, and 12 others, including Washington, D.C., with rates already at \$15.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	7
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Savannah L	ane, Kali Nichols, Katie Miller, Lina Berhane	Action on	the Bill
School: Daviess Co. M	S	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Owensboro		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To the Installation of Geothermal Heat Pumps in New Buildings to Reduce Mountaintop

Removal

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

Section 1: Mountaintop Removal is the process of removing the tops of mountains to retrieve coal. This occurs frequently in the Appalachian Mountains of Eastern Kentucky. Not only does this process pose a significant risk to the environment by emitting toxic waste into the air and waterways, but it also causes enormous health risks. People who live near areas where mountaintop removal has occurred, have been shown to develop cancer rates of 14.4%, compared to 9.4% for people in other places without mountaintop removal mining. The rate of children born with birth defects is 42% higher in areas near these mines. The cost of mountaintop removal in Kentucky alone is about \$115 million per year.

Section 2: To reduce the need for coal mined from mountaintop removal, all new buildings in Kentucky will install geothermal heat pumps. The energy obtained from these pumps is significantly cleaner, and in the long run, significantly cheaper.

Section 3: Because this only affects new construction, coal companies will not be forced to automatically cut jobs to retain profits. However, as more new buildings are constructed, these companies will eventually make the switch to providing geothermal heat pumps. This will bring more jobs as it will mean that people will need to assemble the pumps, transport them, and install them in the new buildings.

Section 4: This will go into effect January 1, 2025.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Hous	
Sponsors: Madigan So	arborough, Row Walter	Action on	the Bill
School: East Oldham N	AS	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	\square Passed
City: Crestwood		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Firearm Purchasing 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: Anyone wishing to purchase a firearm in the state of Kentucky must first apply for a permit
6	through Kentucky State Police
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8	Section 2: To qualify for a permit one must be at least 18 years of age or older and attend an 8 hour safety
9	course on gun operation.
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11	Section 3: The safety course must be taught by a Carry Concealed Deadly Weapon instructor who has been
12	certified by the Department of Criminal Justice Training.
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14	Section 4: Gun sellers will be responsible for verifying that a buyer has a permit before completing a
15	purchase.
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17	Section 5: Any gun seller who sells a gun to an individual who does not have a permit will no longer be
18	eligible to use their Federal Firearms License in Kentucky.
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20	Section 6: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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Section 7: This Act shall go into effect immediately upon being signed into law

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	CW 9	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C		
Sponsors: Piper Mang	gan	Action on	the Bill	
School: Grayson Co. M	IS	House	Senate	
City: Leitchfield		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated	

An Act Relating To Air Filtration System in Kentucky Public Schools

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

Section 1: Imagine a classroom in a normal public school with all students at their desks, or in some cases in nontraditional seating. One student coughs, another sneezes, what happens to the bacteria that comes from these actions? It goes through the air vents, but then it gets put out in another part of the classroom, or even another part of the school. This makes even more students get sick than just the students around the one who coughs or sneezes. But there is a way to fix this.

Section 2: Schools can install air purification systems in rooms and in duct UV-C lights in air ducts. There are air purification systems that can kill viruses, bacteria, and even filter out bad smells. Some are proven to kill even the COVID-19 virus. In duct UV-C lights for air ducts produce ultraviolet C waves; these waves are able to make harmless hydroxyl ions (A diatomic anion that carries a negative electric charge and consists of an oxygen and hydrogen atom held together by a coverlet bond.) These hydroxyl ions are able to kill harmful viruses and bacteria.

Section 3: In 2030 all Kentucky public schools should have an air purifier in every classroom and UV–C lights in the air ducts. Every child in Kentucky who goes to a public school and their parents will benefit from this bill. The parents of the students will benefit from this bill because they will not have to pay as many medical bills, and the students will benefit because they won't be sick as often.

Section 4: To fund this we can ask for a bid in the yearly legislative session on budgeting. This bill will not make money in the long run for the state, but will significantly increase the health of the students.

Section 5: Local health departments should check every school in their area before the school year starts in 2030. If the school does not have the UV-C lights in the vents and air purification systems in every classroom then they will get a warning that they have to have the UV_C lights and purification systems by the next school year. If the school does not have UV-C lights in the vents and air purification systems in every classroom the year after they are warned, the students would do virtual schooling until the problem is fixed, if a student is unable to do virtual schooling they will have to go to another public school close by or go to a private school.

Section 6: This bill will be fully implemented in all Kentucky Public Schools five years after it is passed into law.

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 10	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Alex Franck	e, Brady Francke, Jack Dalton, Lilly Payne	Action on	the Bill
School: Henderson Co.	South MS	House	Senate
Citv: Henderson		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating 10 Tax reform
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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 141 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	For purposes of this section:
7	A. Income tax is defined as a tax taken from the checks of individual citizens.
8	B. Sales tax is defined as a tax taken from the purchase of perishable and non-perishable goods.
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10	Section 2: There shall be a prohibition on income tax in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
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12	Section 3: Sales taxes shall be increased to 9% on non-food items in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The
13	sale tax on food items shall be 7%
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15	Section 4: Any stature contrary to this Act shall be repealed or amended until it is no longer contradictory.
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17	Section 5: This act takes effect on January 1st, 2023.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 11	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Astaria Tho	ompson, Annabelle Wilson, Landen Gish, Riley Smith	Action on	the Bill
School: Henderson Co	. South MS	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Henderson		☐ Defeated	Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Personal Gun Storage.
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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 527 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	All deadly weapons must be kept in a secure area (location) that is locked and kept secure.
7	For the purpose of this section:
8	A weapon of destruction is defined as a firearm or a gun
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10	Section 2: If a minor is charged with misconduct of a weapon(fired gun), the parent/guardian will be charged
11	with repercussions that value less than or equal to the offender's.
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13	Section 3: If the weapon of destruction is misplaced or misused, both the parent/guardian and the offender
14	will have their firearm rights revoked and all weapons will be confiscated from their possession.
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16	Section 4: This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2023

· · ·	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	cw l	CW 12	
the		Referred to C		
Sponsors: Cameron P	adgett, Lydia Poteet, Iris Loyall, Macy Davis	Action on	the Bill	
School: Highlands MS		House	Senate	
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed	
City: Ft. Thomas		☐ Defeated	□ Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To the prohibition of the sale or distribution of flavored nicotine products.
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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 sale or distribution of any nicotine product in any flavor other than tobacco and menthol
6	within the state of Kentucky shall be prohibited.
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8	Section 2: For purposes of this act, the term nicotine product shall include any e-cigarette, vaping device, o
9	nicotine pouch, and any refill intended for such products.
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11	Section 3: Any person who violates this act shall be fined an amount of not less than \$500, and not more
12	than \$3000 for each offense.
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14	Section 4: The fine under this act shall be administered by the Department of Alcoholic Beverages using a
15	civil enforcement procedure.
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17	Section 5: All Peace Officers with general law enforcement authority, and employees of the Department of
18	Alcoholic Beverage Control, may issue a uniform citation for any violation of this Act.
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Section 6: This act shall go into effect 90 days from the date of passage.

· · ·	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 13	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Calvin Duth	ie, Claire Lindblom, Noah Spalding, Walter Mattingly	Action on	the Bill
School: Holy Spirit ES		House	Senate
Citv: Louisville		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated

AN ACT Relating to the Elimination of Sales Tax on Essential Menstrual Hygiene Products

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

Section 1: KRS 139.472 is amended to read as follows:

Amend (3)(b) to read as follows, "Grooming and hygiene products: means soaps and cleaning solutions, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and suntan lotions" Insert (3)(b) to read, "and menstrual products; pads, tampons, menstrual cups and discs, and period-absorbing underwear."

Section 2: This amendment goes into effect on January 1, 2023.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 14	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Hous	
Sponsors: Kaylee Fler	ning, Emily Gossar	Action on	the Bill
School: Muhlenberg S	outh MS	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	\square Passed
City: Greenville		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To Mandatory Driver Safety Courses

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

Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186.574 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) All Kentucky schools, both private and public, shall collaborate with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to provide driver safety courses to 7th – 12th grade students annually.

Section 2: This is a bill concerning the safety of teenage drivers. This is an expansion of an already existing resource – a safety course in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The course material has been developed and is available through the Kentucky Department of Transportation. Currently, the program is strictly voluntary.

Section 3: The course teaches about seatbelt safety, impaired driving, and distracted driving by using simulators to help students better understand the importance of driving with focus and without the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Section 4: This educational program is currently being operated under a grant provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The Kentucky Office of Highway Safety (KOHS) is the primary grantee of the NHTSA grant funds. The NHTSA funds are awarded to sub-grantees through KOHS to help reduce crashes, injuries, fatalities and associated cost by identifying transportation safety issues and developing & implementing effective integrated programs & activities. Additional grants would be needed for state-wide resources.

Section 5: Schools will be required to begin the driver education safety program in the 2023–24 school year. The course must be offered annually to 7th – 12th grade students. If a district is out of compliance with providing training to students, they will receive a warning at the first year of noncompliance. Every year thereafter, a fine of \$600 will be levied to the district if they continue to not follow the law.

Section 6: This bill will be put into effect July 1st, 2023.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	cw l	CW 15	
the		Referred to C		
Sponsors: Adeline Pit	man, Nate Dyer, Owen Howell, Verena Leedy	Action on	the Bill	
School: Murray MS		House	Senate	
Citv: Murray		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To The monitor the purchase and distribution of vapor products 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 serve as an amendment to KRS 438.310 - Sale of tobacco products, alternative
6	nicotine products, or vapor products to persons under age 21 prohibited Penalty.
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8	Section 2: Businesses that sell vapes and vapor products will utilize K.A.S.P.E.R. (Kentucky All Schedule
9	Prescription Electronic Reporting) to control the purchase of vapes in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
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11	Section 3: In order to legally purchase any vapor product (Vapes, Juuls, disposables,. etc.) one must present a
12	state issued ID to keep record of vape purchases in the K.A.S.P.E.R system.
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14	Section 4: In the event an adult is found purchasing vape products for a minor, the KASPER system will flag
15	the adult's ID, their "account" will be flagged, and monetary fines will be assessed.
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17	Section 5: The penalties for giving a vapor device or product to a minor will be as follows:
18	1st Offense: 2 month probation period restricting purchase of vapor products as well as a \$100 fine.
19	2nd Offense: 6 months of restricted purchasing and a \$500 fine.
20	3rd Offense: 1 year of restricted purchasing and a \$2500 monetary fine.
21	More than 3 Offenses: 3 year ban from purchasing vapes and \$5000 monetary fine.

Section 6: All fines generated from this bill will go to the American Lung Association for research on popcorn

lung which is caused by using vapes and vape products.

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the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	cw I	CW 16	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C		
Sponsors: Izak Gibbs,	Kaylee Halcomb, Sadee Payne, Callie Thacker	Action on	the Bill	
School: Rockcastle Co	. MS	House	Senate	
		☐ Passed	\square Passed	
City: Mt. Vernon		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated	

An Act Proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to voter registration 1 requirements. 2 3 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 4 5 Section 1: Currently, any United States citizen who is at least 18 years old, has been a Kentucky resident for 6 7 at least 28 days before election day, not been convicted of a felony, not been judged mentally incompetent 8 in a court of law, and not claimed the right to vote in another state, may vote in our state's elections. 9 10 Section 2: IT IS PROPOSED THAT A NEW SECTION BE ADDED TO THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY TO 11 READ AS FOLLOWS: Citizens who meet all requirements of voter registration must pass a condensed version 12 of the U.S. Citizenship test to register to vote. 13 14 Section 3: The State Board of Elections will adapt the citizenship test for the purpose of voter registration. 15 The duty of delivering tests would belong to the County Clerk's office. 16 17 Section 4: Voters who are already registered before the passing of this bill will not be required to take and pass the test to vote. 18 19 Section 5: Funding for this bill will come from the local County Clerks' offices. 20 21 Section 6: This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the Commonwealth for their ratification or 22 23 rejection at the time and in the manner provided for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and

under KRS 118.415.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 17	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Jordan Albr	ight, Lucas Saylor, Bennett Chaliff, Wyatt Rigsby	Action on	the Bill
School: Rockcastle Co.	MS	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Mt. Vernon		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

An act to implement metal detectors in all school buildings to increase school safety.

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

Section 1: All public schools will be required to have metal detectors on main entrance doors.

Section 2: Within the first year, schools will be required to have at least one metal detector on a main entrance door and one wand metal detector. By the next year, schools will be required to add another metal detector on another main entrance door. Within five years, all main entrance doors will have a metal detector on the door.

Section 3: This bill will be funded through the Kentucky Department of Education and the school district. One-half of the funding will come through the KDE. Citizens of the state of Kentucky will experience a 2% tax increase to help fund the metal detectors for the schools. The other half will come from the schools through school wide fundraisers.

Section 4: Administrators will be expected to stand near the doors to supervise the metal detectors in case one alerts. Until all doors are equipped with metal detectors the front office staff will be trained in how to properly use a metal detection wand.

Section 5: This bill will go into effect on July 1, 2023.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 18	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Samantha/S	ammy Brown, Carleen Myers, Ben Ray, Roselyn Fuentes	Action on	the Bill
School: Russell Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Russell Springs		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

An act to ensure all Kentucky newborns are sent home to a safe environment

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

Section 1: In 2013, 90% of infants who died by Sudden Unexplained Infant Death(SUID) had at least one hazardous risk factor related to their sleep space. These factors include the baby not being put to sleep on their back, infants sleeping on a surface not intended for sleep such as an adult bed, couch, car seat, or swing; sharing a bed with an adult, or pillows, blankets, or other soft bedding. 50% of infant deaths involved bed-sharing. In the state of Kentucky, an infant is 70 times more likely to die a sleep-related death than in a motor vehicle accident.

Section 2: In Kentucky every 5 days an infant dies in an unsafe sleep environment. Parents and caregivers need education, statistics show what we are providing them with now is not working. According to Kentucky Vital Statistics SUIDs are the second leading cause of infant deaths in Kentucky children.

Section 3: We propose that every Kentucky infant have a home visit prior to leaving the hospital by a social worker, healthcare worker, or certified home visitor to assess for a safe sleep environment and provide education to the caregivers on safe sleep. If a safe sleep environment can't be established the worker will work with the caregivers to help provide a crib through a program called Cribs for Kids. Follow-up visits will be conducted weekly until the risk factors are determined to be reduced and the infant is considered to be living in a safe sleep environment. These visits can be done through the Kentucky HANDS program, the local DCBS office, and certified community health care workers.

Section 4: Each year the department of health and human services are allocated money to a maternal child health program. One of the programs focuses on a safe sleep environment. The money allocated to this program can be used to pay for staff salaries to provide our proposed bill.

Section 5: We will begin our program on July 1st, which is the start of the budget year 2023-2024.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 19	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C	
Sponsors: Holden Wille	oughby, Callie Hickman, Landon Pennington, Kenny Chen	Action on	the Bill
School: South Warren	MS	House	Senate
City: Bowling Green		☐ Passed ☐ Defeated	□ Passed□ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Quarterly Water Testing in all School Systems
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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 224 IS CREATED AND READS AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) All school systems across the State of Kentucky shall provide quarterly water testing.
7	(2) The Kentucky Department of Health shall enforce the bill.
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9	Section 2:
10	(1) This bill shall adequately tend to the filtration systems of schools that exceed 5ppb of lead.
11	(2) Should the cause of contamination be faulty equipment or malfunction of a filter, it shall be
12	replaced.
13	(3) Schools have the choice as to who replaces or repairs filtration systems.
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15	Section 3: There is appropriated to apply for a grant from the Better Kentucky Plan of 20 million in the fiscal
16	year 2022-2023 for the purpose of water safety.

the	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 20	
	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Emma Mar	ie Klein, Wesley Fennell, Natalie Longmeyer	Action on	the Bill
School: St. Agnes Scho	ool	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	\square Passed
City: Louisville		☐ Defeated	☐ Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Switching to Reusable Silverware in Public 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 SUBCHAPTER 50 OF CHAPTER 224 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IS
6	CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
7	(1) All public schools will use reusable silverware during students' lunch period.
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9	Section 2: This bill will replace all single-use plastic silverware in all Kentucky public schools. It will force
10	schools to stop buying single-use plastic silverware and switch to reusable, silverware.
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12	Section 3: Any statue contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed
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14	Section 4: This act takes effect January 1, 2024

○	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	21
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Hous	
Sponsors: Megan Oes	wein, Ella Dreisbach, Grace Rafferty, Sadie Zoeller	Action on	the Bill
School: St. Agnes Scho	ool	House	Senate
		☐ Passed	☐ Passed
City: Louisville		☐ Defeated	\Box Defeated

1	An Act Relating To The Regulation of Purchasing Firearms
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: All Kentuckians
6	purchasing a firearm will be required to purchase gun insurance and have it in their possession while carrying
7	a firearm.
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9	Section 2: Currently there are no requirements for a person to carry gun insurance in the state of Kentucky.
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11	Section 3: Any person who violates this law will have three offenses.
12	The first, a fine of up to \$1,000;
13	The second, registration or license suspension, and a fine;
14	The third, firearm impoundment or jail time for up to a year. These punishments depend on the
15	severity of the situation.
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17	Section 4: This will have no monetary cost to the state.
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19	Section 5: Any statutes contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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21	Section 6: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky State Police.
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Section 7: This bill will go into effect January 1st, 2023.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	CW 22	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Hous		
Sponsors: Kinsley Lu	ther, Taylor Wright, Hannah Gant, Emma Whetstone	Action on	the Bill	
School: St. Andrew A	cademy MS	House	Senate	
Citv: Louisville		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed☐ Defeated☐	

1	An Act Relating To Banning Grey Machines.
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: KRS 528.010 is amended to read as follows: Explicitly ban gray machines that have become
6	prevalent across the state, if they fall outside the three forms of gambling that are currently legal, which
7	include pari-mutuel wagering, charitable gaming and the lottery.
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9	Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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1	Section 3: The Kentucky State Police shall establish a task force dedicated to the removal of any gambling
2	devices not authorized by law. The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet will regulate establishing membership,
.3	procedures, privileges, duties, and reporting requirements. Any reports generated by the task force shall be
.4	submitted to the Legislative Research Commission, the Joint Committee on Judiciary, and the Joint Committee
.5	on Licensing, Occupations, and Administrative Regulations.
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.7	Section 4: There is appropriated to the departments above, a budget for each fiscal year, devoted to
.8	gambling regulation.
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20	Section 5: Penalties
21	First Offense-Class B misdemeanor – no more than 90 days of imprisonment; fine up to \$250
22	Second Offense-Class A misdemeanor - no more than 12 months of imprisonment; fine up to \$500
23	Third Offense- Class D felony - 1 to 4 years of imprisonment; fine of \$1,000 to \$10,000
24	Fourth Offense- Class C felony - 5 to 9 years of imprisonment; fine of \$1,000 to \$10,000

Section 6: This Act takes effect March 1, 2023 allowing agencies time to prepare.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 23	
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to C Senat	
Sponsors: Sophee Boo	th, Katie Fitzsimons, Sawyer Beall, Leah Rose	Action on	the Bill
School: Sts. Peter and	Paul School - Lexington	House	Senate
City: Lexington		☐ Passed☐ Defeated	☐ Passed ☐ Defeated

An Act Relating To Requiring All Kentucky Schools To Administer a Monthly Mental Health Check-In Form For All Kentucky Students.

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

Section 1: Currently in Kentucky, schools are required to have one counselor per every 250 students, however many schools report they are unable to meet this minimal requirement.

Section 2: Statistics show that every 11 hours a student in Kentucky dies by suicide, 35.6% of Kentuckians ages 12-17 did not receive any mental health care in the last year. This bill proposes that Kentucky schools would administer a monthly mental health survey and those results be reported to school administrators and staff.

Section 3: According to the National Alliance of Mental Health, over 40,000 youths ages 12–17 have depression and 7 out of 10 youth in the juvenile justice system have a mental health condition. According to the Kentucky Education Department, 1 in 7 high school youth reported having considered suicide and 1 in 5 of middle school students. Experts report that this can be preventable by educating schools, counselors, and communities to look for the warning signs and showing them how to take action when a crisis presents itself.

Section 4: This Bill will go in effect January 1, 2023