°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	1
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Hou	
Sponsors: Avery Caud	ill, Coltyn West, Bentley Harrison, Zachary Ramsey	Action o	n the Bill
School: Ashland MS		House	Senate
City: Ashland		· □ Passed □ Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Spreading Awareness Of C.T.E In Schools
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	Kentucky Schools are required to educate students and student athletes on the signs, symptoms,
7	and dangers of Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy.
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9	Section 2: CTE is a progressive and fatal brain disease associated with repeated traumatic brain injuries
10	(TBIs), including concussions and repeated blows to the head which are often seen in sports.
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12	Section 3: CTE education curriculum will be created by a joint committee from members of the Kentucky
13	Department of Education and the Kentucky Department of Public Health.
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15	Section 4: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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17	Section 5: This bill will go into effect on Aug 1, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 2
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2
Sponsors: Abigail Cassetty, Kennedy Ross, Bella Cavanah	Action on the Bill
School: Auburn ES	House Senate
City: Auburn	Passed Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Expansion of Alternate Math Curriculum in High School Credit Requirements to Include
2	Personal Finance Courses
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4	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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6	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS TITLE XIII CHAPTER 156 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
7	All students in Kentucky High Schools shall be required to earn a minimum of one credit hour in the
8	discipline of personal finance. This shall be defined as a broad survey of skills and strategies needed
9	to apply financial literacy in preparation for important, lifelong monetary decisions, including, but not
10	limited to: budgeting, investments, accounting, loans, reconciling bank accounts, and credit decisions.
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12	Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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14	Section 3: The Act takes effect for the 2022-2023 school year.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 3
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 1
Sponsors: Seth Acree, Loren Macy, Will Thomas, Zoe Heath	Action on the Bill
School: Bardstown MS	House Senate
City: Bardstown	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Identifying Dyslexia as a Disability in Kentucky Schools
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: Dyslexia is a learning disorder, in the case of dyslexia you may not be able to read as fluently as
6	others. There are four different types of dyslexia which are the following: left right disorder which makes it
7	hard to tell your left from your right. Dysgraphia: inability to write coherently. Dyscalculia: severe difficulty in
8	making arithmetical calculations. Auditory processing disorder : a learning disorder in which the person can
9	not interpret the sounds that he has heard. All of these different types of dyslexia are very severe and they
10	are disorders that they do not just grow out of as they get older.
11	
12	Section 2: Currently, in the state of Kentucky, dyslexia is not recognized as a part of a Specific Learning
13	Disability. Dyslexia is one of the most common learning disabilities, with about 20% of the population
14	affected. Because schools do not screen or recognize dyslexia, most students go undiagnosed. There are
15	separate programs that are outside of school. However, schools are not required to offer programs for
16	dyslexia. Programs that offer help with dyslexia are the following: Orton-Gillingham, Barton, Wilson,
17	Lindamood-Bell, Logic of English, Reading Horizons, and All About Reading.
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19	Section 3: This bill will mandate that schools offer services for dyslexic students, just as they do for students
20	with learning disabilities in math, reading, ADHD, emotional disorders, and other health impairments.
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22	Section 4: With the passage of this bill, students would learn more effectively, score higher on standardized
23	tests, be more likely to attend post-secondary training, get higher-paying jobs, and be more successful as
24	adults.
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26	Section 5: This bill will go into effect August 1, 2022.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: Ise 3
Sponsors: Eva Anthon	y, Mason Brock, Haylee Martin, Payten Shircliff	Action o	n the Bill
School: Boston ES - Ne	elson Co.	House	Senate
City: Boston		Passed Defeated	

1	An Act relating to restore and uphold benefits for active working disabled peoples in Kentucky.
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: Benefits for disabled people, whom, after working and earning over \$10 an hour, shall not be
6	removed.
7	
8	Section 2: Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits will be kept after working and completing the
9	Trial Work Period and Extended Period of Eligibility if your countable earnings are at the SGA level or higher.
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11	Section 3: Raise the hourly wage to \$32 before their benefits start getting revoked.
12	
13	Section 4: This will levy this into a tax of 1.7% of their wage up to \$227,400, and their employers shall
14	match their investment. If a company does not have an employment ratio of disabled to unimpaired of 1:100
15	that pulls a gross income of over 1 million shall pay an increased tax of 0.8% total income that shall also be
16	paid into the state trust fund.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	5
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Sena	Committee: ate 1
Sponsors: Carter Gray,	Kate Boblett, Michael Brickey, Sarah Corey	Action o	n the Bill
School: Boyd Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Ashland		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Enforcing Emergency Naloxone Treatment
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: This bill will require the carrying of Naloxone by police officers in Kentucky.
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7	Section 2: This proposed law would have the Kentucky Health Department send 24 "rescue kits" of 2
8	bottles/injection kits of Naloxone, more commonly known as Narcan, to all 389 police stations in Kentucky.
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10	Section 3: The emergency use of Naloxone should be covered by the so-called "Good Samaritan" Laws
11	(311.668). These laws protect officers of the law and civilians from persecution by unknowingly harming a
12	patient in an emergency situation, commonly called into use for the administration of CPR or the use of an
13	AED. Thus, if the effects of the overdose return or the patient goes into shock, officers and civilians cannot
14 15	be prosecuted for the use of Naloxone.
15 16	Section 4. The approximate cost of this hill is $(67,000)$ USD, not including fluctuation in the price of this
17	Section 4: The approximate cost of this bill is \$67,000 USD, not including fluctuation in the price of this medicine, every year for 5 years, then the bill can be terminated if not performing adequately. Government
18	funding by the KY Department of Health will be required for this bill to carry out its action.
19	Tunding by the KT Department of Health will be required for this bill to carry out its action.
20	Section 5: All Laws or statutes impeding the action of this bill shall be appealed for removal or alteration.
21	
22	Section 6: If the proposed statutes above are not carried through by police officers, they will be charged a
23	fine of \$50.
24	5[A]. Any charges, lawsuit, or reparation charges put forth by the overdose victim in question, they are to be
25	immediately dismissed, as discussed in KY (311.668).
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27	Section 7: This bill will go into effect on February 1, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 6
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 4
Sponsors: Abigale Roberts, Ameera Hobbs, Jude Cravey, Riley Brewer	Action on the Bill
School: Community Montessori School	House Senate
City: Lexington	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Raising Wages for Essential Workers
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A tax exemption will be given to businesses that employ and pay essential workers \$17 or more
6	per hour. Essential workers are defined by the U.S Department of Homeland Security as "those who conduct
7	a range of operations and services that are typically essential to continue critical infrastructure operations".
8	Critical infrastructure can be defined as the jobs that are required to keep the United States economy
9	productive.
10	
11	Section 2: Businesses that claim this tax exemption will receive a 5% deduction on their total annual taxable
12	income. This will result on a change to the Kentucky tax code implements by the Department of Revenue.
13	
14	Section 3: This bill will encourage businesses to raise essential worker pay by providing an incentive through
15	tax savings. This extra money can help the business pay for the raises or expand their business. Also, an
16	increase in pay would help businesses fill and keep people working in jobs that are important to our
17	economy, like grocery store workers and hospital custodial staffs.
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19	Section 4: This bill would go into effect on January 1, 2022.
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21	Section 5: The cost of the bill would be decrease in tax revenue which would occur when businesses use this
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exemption.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 7
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 3
Sponsors: Anna Emedi, Brooklyn Emedi, Lily Burris, Natalie Burris	Action on the Bill
School: Drakes Creek MS	House Senate
City: Bowling Green	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 164 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) Increase the amount of money per KEES award, given to an eligible high school student or eligible
7	post-secondary student by 10%.
8	
9	Section 2: "Academic term", "Academic year", "ACT score", "Authority", "Award period", "Council", "Eligible
10	high school student", "Eligible post secondary student", "full-time student", "Grade Point Average" or "GPA",
11	"High school", "KEES", "KEES award", "KEES award maximum", "KEES base amount" or "Base amount", "KEES
12	curriculum", "KEES supplemental amount", "KEES trust fund", "On track to graduate", "Participating
13	institution" or institution", "Part-time student", as defined by 164.7874.
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15	Section 3: This bill will go into effect on July 1, 2022.
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17	Section 4: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	8
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: Ise 1
Sponsors: Alex Franck	e, Isabella Smith, Lilly Payne, Maddie Sutton	Action o	n the Bill
School: Henderson Co.	South MS	House	Senate
City: Henderson		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Raising the Minimum Salary of Educators.
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 161.048 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
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7	Section 2: For purposes of this section:
8	1. An educator is any one person who teaches children for the Kentucky Department of Education.
9	The lottery tax is collected from the Kentucky Lottery's revenue.
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11	Section 3: The minimum salary of educators ranks 1–5 shall be raised by 2% each year for eight (8) years in a
12	row––for a total raise of 16%. This raise is in response to inflation seeing as educators haven't received a
13	raise in 5 years.
14	
15	Section 4: This will be funded by the Kentucky Lottery. In the case that the lottery funding is not adequate,
16	the lottery tax shall be increased by 1%.
17	
18	Section 5: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be repealed or amended until it is no longer contradictory.
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20	Section 6: This act takes effect at the beginning of the 2022-2023 School Year to give school districts
21	flexibility and time to implement the bill.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	9
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: se 1
Sponsors: Caeson Har	gitt, Alex Johnston, Harper Scott, Lilly Clark	Action o	n the Bill
School: Holy Name		House	Senate
City: Henderson		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating to Penalties Relating to Looting and Rioting
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: During a riot: 1) The penalty for disruption or vandalism of private homes or businesses, municipal
6	buildings, or key infrastructure assets (oil or gas pipelines, infrastructure facilities (water, roads, trash etc.) or
7	emergency response stations shall be a Class D felony punishable by up to five years in prison (dependent upon
8	severity of emergency and circumstances) and a loss of public assistance for 6 months to a year. When applicable,
9	courts shall order full restitution for any loss of revenue (income, inventory, property damage) in riot convictions.
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11	Section 2: During a riot: 1) The penalty for obstructing a highway or public passage shall be a Class A
12	misdemeanor, punishable by up to 6 months in jail and a loss of public assistance for 6 months to a year. 2) If the
13	obstruction prevents an emergency vehicle from accessing an emergency the charge will be a Class D felony,
14	punishable by one to five years in prison (dependent upon severity of emergency and circumstances), and a loss of
15	public assistance for 6 months to a year. When applicable, courts shall order full restitution for any loss of
16	revenue (income, inventory, property damage) in riot convictions.
17	
18	Section 3: During a riot: The penalty for carrying a deadly or dangerous weapon within 500 feet of a riot shall be
19	a Class A misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months in jail and a loss of public assistance for up to one year.
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21 22	Section 4:
22 23	1) Riot defined: a group of 15 or more people who disturb the public by tumultuous or violent conduct that creates grave danger, traffic disruptions, property damage, or threat to human health and safety.
23 24	2) Dangerous or deadly weapon defined: gun of any variety, bow, cross bow, bats, batons, knives, swords
24	or any other item that can be used to inflict physical harm
26	3) Public assistance defined: food stamps, money, income of any kind, medical or pharmaceutical
20	insurance, EBT card, or rent/housing dollars.
28	4) Infrastructure defined: the basic equipment and structures (such as roads and bridges) that are needed
29	for a country, region, state, or organization to function properly. This includes utilities such as power and
30	water.
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32	Section 5: This bill will take effect in 90 days.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 10
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 4
Sponsors: Calvin Duthie, Claire Lindblom, Noah Spalding, Waltzer Mattingly	Action on the Bill
School: Holy Spirit	House Senate
City: Louisville	Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Raising Kentucky's Minimum Wage.
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: KRS 337.275(1) To raise the minimum wage of Kentucky to \$12.50 by July 1st 2026. Every year
6	on July 1st until the previously stated date, the minimum wage will be raised by one dollar; except 2026, it
7	will increase by \$1.25 until it reaches \$12.50.
8	
9	Section 2: The Department of Workplace Standards' Wage and Hour Division will enforce this bill.
10	
11	Section 3: Penalties will continue on as stated in KRS 337.275. Authorized representative shall be assessed
12	a civil penalty of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000). A
13	civil penalty of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be assessed for any subsequent violation of
14	KRS 337.285(4) to (9) and each day the employer violates KRS 337.285(4) to (9) shall constitute a separate
15	offense and penalty.

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the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: ate 2
Sponsors: Daniel Wate	erfield, Elliott Redella, Bryn Haley, Jacob Breit	Action o	n the Bill
School: Holy Trinity		House	Senate
City: Louisville		Passed Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To Requiring Veterinarians and all working in Pet Care and Health to Report Suspected
2	Animal Cruelty and Abuse
3	
4	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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6	Section 1: Amend 258.265 to require all workers in the animal and pet care industry to report any suspected
7	animal abuse, cruelty, or mistreatment, just as healthcare and education workers are required to report child
8	abuse.
9	
10	Section 2: Any person who knows or has reasonable cause to believe that a pet or animal is neglected or
11	abused shall immediately cause an oral or written report to be made to the local animal control, a local law
12	enforcement agency, or to the Department of Kentucky State Police, the cabinet or its designated
13	representative, the Commonwealth's attorney, or the county attorney by telephone or otherwise. Any
14	supervisor who receives from an employee a report of suspected neglect or abuse shall promptly make a
15	report to the proper authorities for investigation. Nothing in this section shall relieve individuals of their
16	obligations to report.
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18	Section 3: Any person, including but not limited to a veterinarian, animal clinic staff, pet grooming service
19	provider, pet care provider, animal-caring personnel, child-caring in-home personnel, emergency medical
20	technician and/or paramedic in the homes of patients, peace officer in the homes of clients, or any
21	organization or agency for and of the above, who knows or has reasonable cause to believe that an animal
22	or pet is neglected or abused, is required to report within forty-eight (48) hours of the encounter containing:
23	(a) The addresses of the animal and his or her owners or other persons exercising custodial control
24	or supervision;
25	(b) The nature and extent of the animal's alleged neglect or abuse, including any previous charges of
26	neglect or abuse, to this animal or other animals in the home, that they may be aware of;
27	(c) The name and address of the person allegedly responsible for the abuse or neglect; and
28	(d) Any other information that the person making the report believes may be helpful in the
29	furtherance of the purpose of this section (including medical records and/or x-rays).
30	
31	Section 4: Any person who intentionally violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a:
32	(a) Class B misdemeanor for the first offense with fines only (not jail time);
33	(b) Class A misdemeanor for the second offense; and
34	(c) Class D felony for each subsequent offense.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	12
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Sena	
Sponsors: Boston Mullen, Lilly Williams, Karadari Hornback, Carson Humphrey	Action o	n the Bill
School: Lyon Co. MS	House	Senate
City: Eddyville	Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Requiring Self-Defense to be taught in the PE Curriculum
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: In an effort to reduce assault and other physical attacks, a self-defense unit will be required to be
6	taught in Kentucky physical education courses at least once between grades 6–12.
7	
8	Section 2: All Kentucky school districts shall appoint a physical education teacher to be trained in self-
9	defense or bring in a guest instructor to teach the students self-defense during this unit of study.
10	
11	Section 3: Kentucky already requires a student to have a physical education course while in middle school
12	and requires a physical education course as part of graduation criteria. The bill would not change that
13	requirement, but only add a unit of study on self-defense.
14	
15	Section 4: The self-defense course should be more than videos and book work, this should be performance-
16	based, and any able-bodied students should be active participants in learning to defend themselves against
17	physical attacks.
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19 Section 5: This bill will go into effect prior to the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCI	CIATION BG 13
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSE Bluegrass Bill	EMBLY Referred to Committee: House 3
Sponsors: Madelyn Perkins, Zack Rustin, Trace Elliott lii, Jake B	Brown Action on the Bill
School: Lyon Co. MS	House Senate
City: Eddyville	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Requiring a Minimum Lunch Period in Kentucky Public Schools
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: The state of Kentucky has no such laws requiring a minimum time for students to eat lunch. Most
6	often, in schools across the Commonwealth, lunch periods range from 20–30 minutes. Many states in the
7	U.S. have passed legislation regarding how much time students must have actually "in their seat" eating. The
8	CDC states that "in order to ensure that students have sufficient time to eat their meal, a minimum of 20
9	minutes is needed from the time students sit down."
10	
11	Section 2: This bill would set a minimum time requirement of 20 minutes once students have been
12	seated. Schools would have the flexibility to adjust the time beyond that, considering the time it takes to
13	walk to the cafeteria, wait in line, pay for food, and find a seat. For most schools, a lunch block would be 25-
14	30 minutes depending on the size of the student population of the school.
15	
16	Section 3: Each school district in Kentucky will be responsible for ensuring that their schools have schedules
17	which reflects the minimum time as proposed above.
18	
19	Section 4: This bill will go into effect at the start of the 2022–2023 school year.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	14
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: ate 3
Sponsors: Andrew Hyr	nan, Lucy Gregory, Majd Elkheir, Octane Hinojosa	Action o	n the Bill
School: Montessori Sc	hool of Louisville	House	Senate
City: Louisville			Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Gun Safety in the Commonwealth
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 65 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) All guns sold by vendors shall be sold with a gun lock.
7	(2) Private and online gun sales (including part sales) are exempted from this requirement.
8	(3) This bill is not retroactive and will apply only to sales made six weeks after this bill is enacted.
9	
10	Section 2: Vendors who do not comply will face progressive penalties as follows:
11	(1) A citation and fine of at least \$250 per instance of a sale without a lock.
12	(2) A citation and fine of at least \$500 per instance of a sale without a lock.
13	(3) The vendor's license of the violator is revoked.
14	
15	Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 15
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 4
Sponsors: Dax Davis, Graham Mulrooney, Amelia Guarino, Julia Minor	Action on the Bill
School: Notre Dame Academy	House Senate
City: Louisville	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1 2	An Act Relating To the Requirement of All Schools to Provide Access to an Emotional Support Animal.
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4 5 7 8 9 10	Section 1: All schools should have access to an emotional support animal (any). The Commonwealth recognizes the benefits from working or visiting with a therapy dog, including reduced stress, improved physical and emotional well-being, lower blood pressure, decreased anxiety, improved self-esteem, and normalization of the environment, increasing the likelihood of successful academic achievement by the student.
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Section 2: Even before the pandemic, the demand for mental health and substance use services was increasing, especially for our nation's young people. The COVID-19 pandemic has only made the situation more challenging, subjecting many young Americans to social isolation, loss of routines, and traumatic grief. Health-related data now show alarming rates of behavioral health needs among school-age youth, with significant increases in the number experiencing moderate to severe anxiety and depression. Even more concerning, in the US, suicide remains the second leading cause of death among young people between the ages of 10 and 24. Mental health emergencies among young people have increased across the board. In 2020, there was a 24 percent increase in emergency room visits for mental health reasons for children ages 5 through 11, and a more than a 30 percent increase in visits for those between 12 and 17 years old.
21 22 23 24 25	Section 3: Emotional Support Animals (ESA) provide therapeutic benefits to individuals diagnosed with psychological disorders including anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, depression, eating disorders, and insomnia to name a few. Each ESA will have a certified handler, current immunizations, and insurance.
26 27 28 29	Section 4: Schools will have the options of either having an emotional support animal on staff or contracting with non-profit organizations such as WAGS (Wonderful Animals Giving Support) or PAWS with Purpose. ESA will visit schools no fewer than twice a month.
30 31 32 33	Section 5: Failure to comply with this law will result in a \$5,000 fine. The proceeds of all fines will be donated to the ESA non-profits. The School Health Services team division of the Kentucky Department of Education will oversee this program.
34	Section 6: This bill will go into effect July 31, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG 16
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 4
Sponsors: Benjamin Reed, Allister Wells, Gabe Prost, Clayton Evans	Action on the Bill
School: Oldham Co. MS	House Senate
City: LaGrange	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Decreasing Homelessness Rate
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: Homeless rates in Kentucky have risen and the pandemics have not helped. This is especially true
6	amount youth. We call on the legislator to fund a bill that would provide funding for programs that support
7	homeless youth at schools around Kentucky. These programs would include feeding, clothing, and mentor
8	programs.
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10	Section 2: Homelessness accounts for 4,011 Kentuckians and about 300 youth are factored into that
11	number. By providing more support to Kentucky schools, youth will be better supported and in turn so would
12	the families.
13	
14	Section 3: To fund the bill, we ask that the state to increase the Use tax that would tax non-essential items
15	and services.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH	ASSOCIATION	BG	17
the KENTUCKY YOUTH Bluegrass Bill	ASSEMBLY		Committee: se 3
Sponsors: Sawyer Beall, Stella Clements, Irene Elser, Le	ah Rose	Action o	n the Bill
School: Sts. Peter & Paul School – Lexington		House	Senate
City: Lexington		Passed Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To Financial Literacy for Kentucky's Youth
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A new section of KRS 158 is created and reads as follows:
6	To require all Kentucky Middle Schools to provide a financial literacy elective course.
7	
8	Section 2: Funds are appropriated through the Kentucky State Education budget and school board budgets.
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10	Section 3:
11	First Offense: The ranking of the school drops one star on the Kentucky 5 star system.
12	Second Offense: The ranking of the school drops a second star, and the faculty is required to take
13	participate in a professional development course on teaching the class
14	Third Offense: The school's funding will be reduced by no less than 5%, but not more than 10% for
15	the cost of that class.
16	
17	Section 4: This law shall go into effect July 1, 2023.

	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	18
the Strain	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill		Committee: Ise 2
Sponsors: Bailey Owe	n, Sydney Hirschowitz, Ella Woodford, Tye Phemister	Action a	n the Bill
School: Winburn MS		House	Senate
City: Lexington		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1 2	An Act Relating To Requiring School Counselors To Meet Weekly With Students in K-8 Schools for 30 Minutes.
3	
4	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
5	
6	Section 1: Kentucky State-Funded Schools in grades K-8 require 1 school counselor per 250 students. This
7	bill would require that these school counselors meet with students in their school each week for a minimum
8	of 30 minutes.
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10	Section 2: School counselors are responsible for working with students who need help managing their
11	behavior, keeping up academically, or planning for the future. They also work with administrators, teachers,
12	and parents to develop a comfortable, healthy school environment free of bullying or illegal activities. Often
13	times these school counselors are limited to the time that they have avaialble for students because school
14	administration often places the role of assessment coordinator and/or school scheduling which limits the
15	time that counselors have to spend with students. This bill would mandate a minimum of 30 minutes per
16	student each week, either in the group or individual setting be spent with students.
17	
18	Section 3: Currently, there are no laws that mandate the role of the school counselor in Kentucky. According
19	to the Kentucky Counselor Advisory Committee, the role of the school counselor is to help provide college
20	and career readiness, cultivate social, emotional, and behavioral health education, collaborate with other
21	school counselors, administration, and parents for accountability, and participate in networks of school
22	counselors locally and nationally, and w work with school administration to find the best course of action for
23	every student.
24	
25	Section 4: While there would be no additional cost for this bill, it would be enforced by the Kentucky
26	Department of Education where the school counselor would be required to log student hours. This would
27	require the use of the current program, Frontline, which is used for teacher and counselor evaluations.
28 20	Section 5. This law would begin at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year

29 Section 5: This law would begin at the beginning of the 2022–2023 school year.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	BG	19
the Survey	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Sena	Committee: ate 1
Sponsors: Gishsh Gish	, Ayaan Jani, Kavin Senthilnathan	Action o	n the Bill
School: Winburn MS		House	Senate
City: Lexington		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	AN ACT Relating To Increasing the Punishment for Driving Under The Influence in Kentucky.
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: Kentucky currently has one of the lowest punishments for DUI offenses in the United States. The
6	penalty upon conviction of a first DUI offense in Kentucky, with fines ranging from \$200 and a \$375 service
7	fee, along with no imprisonment, and driver's license revocation for 30 days.
8	
9	Section 2: This bill proposes to increase the punishment for first time DUI offenses to a minimum of \$500
10	fee, and a \$500 service fee, along with a minimum of 6 months driver's license suspension, attendance for 6
11	weeks DUI classes, and implementation of an ignition interlock restriction for up to 1 year upon license
12	reinstatement.
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14	Section 3: No funding will be required to carry out this new mandate but will increase state revenue.
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16	Section 4: This Bill would go into effect in January of 2022.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 1
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 3
Sponsors: Eleanor Caudill, Reagan Hayes, Rilee Bohanon, Miles Hutchinson	Action on the Bill
School: Ashland MS	House Senate
City: Ashland	Passed Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Strip Searching
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	School administrators, faculty, and staff of all Kentucky accredited schools, including both private
7	and public, are banned from conducting strip searches of students for any reason.
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9	Section 2: Strip searching is the act of searching someone for an item by the forced removal of the person's
10	clothing.
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12	Section 3: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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14	Section 4: This will not require any funding.
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16	Section 5: This will go into effect on Aug 1, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 2	
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Commit Senate 2	tee:
Sponsors: Sarah Hicks, Kinzee Garrett, Lyndsi Watts, Myah Hamilton	Action on the Bi	ill
School: Ashland MS	House Sena	
City: Ashland		assed lefeated

1	An Act Relating To Overdose Prevention and Education In Kentucky Schools
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	(1) All public schools in Kentucky are required to keep an appropriate dose of an opioid antagonist in
7	each building.
8	(2) Districts must train administrators, faculty, and staff on the appropriate administration of the
9	drug.
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11	Section 2: Naloxone or Narcan are brands of opioid antagonists that can be used to save a life in the event
12	of an otherwise fatal overdose.
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14	Section 3: With proper training, school personnel can quickly administer it to prevent overdose deaths by
15	reversing life threatening respiratory depression.
16	
17	Section 4: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
18	
19	Section 5: School districts shall be responsible for purchasing appropriate doses of Naloxone.
20	
21	Section 6: This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Education. Schools found to be in
22	noncompliance will be subject to a \$500 penalty per occurrence.
23	
24	Section 7: This bill will go into effect on Aug 1, 2022.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 3	
the Strain	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: ate 3
Sponsors: Bella Cron,	Briahna Higgins	Action o	n the Bill
School: Auburn ES		House	Senate
City: Auburn		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Providing Therapy for Cancer Patients Undergoing Active Treatment
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS TITLE XVIII CHAPTER 216 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	Any person actively undergoing cancer treatment, in the form of radiation therapy or chemotherapy,
7	will be provided personal access to mental health services for the duration of their treatment.
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9	Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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11	Section 3: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2023.

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	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: Ise 2
Sponsors: Adella Kreso, I	Hagan O'Daniel, Logan Lanham, Sadie Blincoe	Action o	n the Bill
School: Bardstown MS		House	Senate
City: Bardstown		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Acknowledging Dispatchers as First Responders
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: Currently, in the state of Kentucky, there are no laws for 911 dispatchers to have the same
6	benefits as first responders. Pay and benefits are much lower; the base income for a first responder in the
7	state of Kentucky is about \$70,000 and only \$30,000 for dispatchers. In addition to a disparity in pay,
8	benefits and retirement are much lower.
9	
10	Section 2: This bill is to allow 911 dispatchers to have the same benefits as the first responders do now. In
11	addition to providing the same benefits, dispatchers would also fall under the first-responders category, as
12	their role in emergency situations is just as important as firefighters, police officers, etc
13	
14	Section 3: In the state of Kentucky there are 2,000 dispatchers. Only 466 of them are full-time dispatchers.
15	Which means they are on call 12 hours a day at minimum. The rest of the part-time dispatchers are on call
16	for about eight hours. In the USA there are about one million calls that dispatchers have to answer in a year.
17	
18	Section 4: In the state of Florida, there are normally around 5,000 operators throughout the state. These
19	dispatchers make around \$14.00 per hour. Which is about \$40,000 a year. In the state of California, they
20	have about 7,000 employees which are making about \$68,000 per year. In Washington, they have about
21	1,500 employees and are making \$62,000 per year.
22	
23	Section 5: The money for this bill will come from state and local funding, which would provide funding for
24	dispatchers to have increased pay, paid leave, health insurance and retirement benefits comparable to other
25	first responders.
26	
27	Section 6: This bill will go into effect August 1, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 5
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 4
Sponsors: Nawwaf Wadi, Ethan Rardon, Lilah Thornbury, Ayden Riddle	Action on the Bill
School: Boyd Co. MS	House Senate
City: Ashland	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating Relating to Parental Leave
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: This bill will allow one parent in a family to take a 12 week paid paternity/maternity leave allowing
6	them to take a minimum of 50% of their salary per pay period.
7	
8	Section 2: This bill will enforce employers to allow one parent to take this leave. The money will come from
9	the employers, 50% of the money will go to the parent on leave while the other half will go to the
10	substitution of that worker. If no substitution is needed we encourage companies to grant 100% of that
11	worker's pay.
12	
13	Section 3: To be eligible for this paid parental leave, you must be a residing Kentucky employee.
14	
15	Section 4: This bill will not require any additional funding
16	
17	Section 5: The offense for an employer who does not adhere to this law and the PTO (Paternal Time Off) can
18	face fines up to \$5,000.
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20 Section 6: This bill will go into effect in March 2022.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	6
the Strain	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: Ise 1
Sponsors: Laura Grace	e Chaffin, Holly Marcum, Elle Caldwell, Payton Jones	Action o	n the Bill
School: Boyd Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Ashland		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Car Safety
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: All counties in Kentucky must require a yearly car inspection.
6	
7	Section 2: In this car safety inspection; seat belts will be checked to make sure they click when you insert them into the
8	buckle and the tight lock is able to be used, airbags's inflation and sensors will also need to be checked, front steering
9	components, turning signals, blinker lights, tires, reflectors, and emergency breaks all need to be looked at to maximize
10 11	the safety of the driver. For cars that include back upcameras, their lens must be working efficiently.
12	Section 3: The employees of auto companies who have earned a certificate of training in car inspection will perform the
13	car inspection.
14	
15	Section 4: Car owners will need to have an inspection performed every 12 months from the purchase of the vehicle.
16	
17	Section 5: This law will be enforced by the Kentucky State Police, stickers will be a different color for every year, so
18	when an officer sees the sticker located on the bottom left corner of the back window, they will then know if your
19	inspection is up to date.
20	
21	Section 6: The company performing the inspection will be responsible for purchasing the sticker from the state that
22	shows you've had your inspection, the stickers will be \$2.
23	
24	Section 7: The driver's inspection cost will vary depending upon the size of the vehicle. The prices are as follows: small
25	cars (this will encompass: two doors cars) will be fifteen dollars, SUVs and trucks will have an inspection price of
26	twenty-five dollars, and lastly, bigger vehicles such as; semi-trucks and motorhomes will be forty dollars.
27	
28	Section 8:
29	First Offense- For an expired sticker a warning will be directed to the driver/owner, and the compliance must be
30	done within 3 weeks of when you got the warning.
31	Second Offense- A fine of \$50 for an expired sticker
32	Third Offense- A fine of \$100 for an expired sticker
33	Section 0. This hill will as into offect on December 12, 2022
34	Section 9: This bill will go into effect on December 12, 2022.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 7
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2
Sponsors: Whitt Glosick, Keegan Unick, Anna-Jo Edmunds, Elsie Kirby	Action on the Bill
School: Drakes Creek MS	House Senate
City: Bowling Green	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act To Require All Restaurants to install Step and Pull Door Devices
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 902 KAR 10:010 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
6	All restaurants in Kentucky will have Step and Pull door devices installed on all restroom doors.
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8	Section 2: Enacting this bill will significantly reduce the transmission of contact germs by ensuring that there
9	are ways to open doors without touching the door handle.
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11	Section 3: This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2023.

••••	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	8
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: ate 1
Sponsors: Cadence Moore, Henry Francke, Emma Rutledge, Ian Hancock		Action o	n the Bill
School: Henderson Co	. South MS	House	Senate
City: Henderson			Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Raising the Minimum Wage.
2	
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 337 is created to read as follows:
6	All businesses shall be given an employment tax deduction related to their number of employees in
7	order to pay the new raised minimum wage.
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9	Section 2: For purposes of this section: According to the KY Economic Profile, a small business is defined as
10	firms employing 499 or fewer employees. A corporation is defined as all firms that employ five hundred
11	(500) or more employees.
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13	Section 3: Every employer shall pay each of their employees at a rate of no less than eight dollars (\$8.00) an
14	hour beginning on March 16, 2022, no less than eight dollars and fifty cents (\$8.50) an hour beginning on
15	August 1, 2022, and no less than nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50) an hour beginning on December 31,
16	2022.
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18	Section 4: In order to supply funding to the employers, we will give small businesses a 0.6% employment tax
19 20	deduction. Corporations that employ five hundred or more (500+) employees will get a 0.2% employment tax
20	deduction.
21	Contine C. This will be suffered by the U.C. December of the barrie the Kontucley Leber Cohinet. December of
22	Section 5: This will be enforced by the U.S. Department of Labor via the Kentucky Labor Cabinet. Penalties
23	include a fine ranging from \$100 to \$1,000. Fines collected will be redistributed to affected employees.
24 25	Costion C. This hill should an dually take offect starting on March 1C. 2022 to allow husing some to a divert to
25	Section 6: This bill should gradually take effect starting on March 16, 2022 to allow businesses to adjust to
26	the change in the laws regarding minimum wage.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 9
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 3
Sponsors: Eli Barron, Lizzy Cleavenger, Madi Latta	Action on the Bill
School: Holy Name	House Senate
City: Henderson	

1	An Act Relating To Ending Hazing and Educating Teens of Good Samaritan Reporting
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: A person is guilty of hazing in the first degree when he or she wantonly causes serious physical injury or death. Hazing in
6	the first degree shall be considered a Class C felony which is penalized by a minimum five year sentence and a \$10,000 fine. This
7	includes all forms of violent hazing as defined below in Bill Section Six. The following shall not be a defense: consent of the victim, if
8	the conduct was sanctioned by an approved organization or governing body.
9 10	Casting D. A comparing the office in the second degree of the product of the control of the second distance.
11	Section 2: A person is guilty of hazing in the second degree when he or she recklessly causes physical injury or mental distress.
12	Hazing in the second degree shall be considered a Class D felony which is penalized by a \$5,000 fine and sentence of no less than one year depending on the severity of the offense. This includes all forms of harassment hazing as defined below in Bill Section Six.
13	This does not include: physical injury from customary athletic competitions, law enforcement training, or military training. The
14	following shall not be a defense: consent of the victim, if the conduct was sanctioned by an approved organization or governing body.
15	Tollowing shall not be a defense: consent of the victim, if the conduct was sanctioned by an approved organization of governing body.
16	Section 3: A person is guilty of hazing in the third degree when he or she recklessly engages in a minor hazing incident. Hazing in the
17	third degree is a Class A misdemeanor which is penalized with a \$2,500 fine. This includes all forms of subtle hazing as defined below
18	in Bill Section Six.
19	This does not include: physical injury from customary athletic competitions, law enforcement training, or military training. The
20	following shall not be a defense: consent of the victim, if the conduct was sanctioned by an approved organization or governing body.
21	
21 22 23 24 25 26	Section 4: Hazing anyone under the age of 18 shall be an additional charge of Unlawful Transaction with a Minor. Unlawful
23	transaction with a minor in the third degree is a Class A misdemeanor. Penalty shall be a \$5,000 fine and incarceration shall be
24	determined by the level of hazing as described in sections 1, 2, and 3.
25	
26	Section 5: Education regarding reporting and protocols for requesting emergency medical services – schools will be mandated to
27 28	dedicate a portion of already existing high school level physical education or health classes to Good Samaritan reporting for those
28	who have overconsumed alcohol (or drugs), identification of those in jeopardy of physical harm or death, and the legalities of not
29 30	reporting or requesting medical assitance. This program shall be regulated and documented by each county school district and
30	reported to the Kentucky Department of Education.
31	
32	Section 6: Minor Hazing defined: acts that create ridicule, humiliation, embarrassment, personal servitude, or social isolation
32 33 34	Harassment Hazing defined: mental or physical discomfort such as sleep deprivation, demeaning skits, deprivation of hygiene, or
54 55	verbal abuse
35 36	Violent Hazing defined: acts which cause physical or emotional harm or reckless intentional endangerment such as forced consumption of food, alcohol, other substances, sexual violation, burning, brandings, excessive exercise, and assault.
37	This bill shall also be referenced as Lofton's Law in honor of Lofton Hazelwood.
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39	Section 7: This bill will take effect in 90 days.
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	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	10
the Street Stree	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Sena	
Sponsors: Baylee Won	nack, Sophia Fulcher	Action o	n the Bill
School: Holy Name		House	Senate
City: Henderson			Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Prohibiting the Use of Deceptive Tactics Against Minors During Police Investigations
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1:
6	1) Any evidence obtained during an interrogation by the use of deceptive tactics shall be inadmissible
7	as evidence in a criminal proceeding against the minor/juvenile making the confession.
8	2) Any oral, written, or sign language confession of a minor, (who at the time of the commission of
9	the offense was under 18 years of age), that was made as a result of an interrogation shall be
10	presumed to be inadmissible if, during the interrogation, a law enforcement officer or juvenile officer
11	knowingly engages in deception.
12	
13	Section 2: The burden going forward with the evidence and the burden of proving that a confession was
14	voluntary shall be on the State. Juveniles are susceptible to adult peer pressure and are more likely to falsely
15	confess when under pressure, mentally challenged, subjected to deceptive tactics, in custody, and/or alone
16	without legal counsel.
17	
18	Section 3:
19	1) Deceptive tactics defined: knowing communication of false facts about evidence or unauthorized
20	statements regarding leniency by a law enforcement officer or juvenile officer to a juvenile subject
21	during interrogation
22	2) Minor/Juvenile defined: at the time of the offense the person was under 18 years of age
23	3) Confession defined: oral, written, or sign language admission of guilt or involvement
24	
25	Section 4: This bill will take effect in 90 days.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 11
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 3
Sponsors: Hadley Bazant, Kathryn Bovine, Ruby Lilla, Emelia Huff	Action on the Bill
School: Holy Trinity	House Senate
City: Louisville	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1 2	An Act Relating To Requiring Kentucky's public schools to have a LCPC, a licensed clinical professional counselor, on campus.
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4	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
5	be it chatted by the routh Assembly of the common weath of Kentucky
6	Section 1: All schools that receive funding from the Kentucky government will be legally required to have a
7	LCPC on their site during school hours in order to improve the mental and behavioral health of children and
, 8	young adults in Kentucky.
9	young dudies in Kentucky.
10	Section 2: All public schools in the state of Kentucky are evaluated yearly. Having an LCPC would be added to
11	the criteria for the schools to make sure that this bill is well enforced. Through this evaluation, it would be
12	determined whether or not the school has the required counselor.
13	determined whether of hot the school has the required counselor.
14	Section 3: If a school is unable to find a licensed counselor in the 2 years of given time, then a government
15	representative will take on the position of finding an LCPC for the school.
16	
17	Section 4: Funding will come from the CARES Act, expecting about \$60,000 a year per counselor. The SSAE
18	Grant is designed to help schools invest in programs that support safe and healthy students, a well-rounded
19	curriculum, and effective use of technology. Funds are distributed to local education agencies (LEAs) based
20	on their Title I allocation. Districts must submit applications to the State describing how they plan to use the
21	funds.
22	
23	Section 5: To give schools time to hire and prepare for a LCPC, this bill would go into effect at the start of
24	the 2023–2024 school year.
25	
26	Section 6: Any statute contrary to this act shall be amended or repealed.

° K	ENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	12
	ENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY ommonwealth Bill		Committee: se 4
Sponsors: Katherine Rueff, Sophia Redella, Whitney Cooper		Action o	n the Bill
School: Holy Trinity		House	Senate
City: Louisville		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Amending KRS 189.990 to raise the fines and record points for texting while driving in a
2	vehicle on land
3	
4	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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6	Section 1: Amend [30] to raise the fines and record points for texting while driving in order to reduce the
7	amount of roadway accidents caused by distracted driving. The first offense will result in a \$100 fine, the
8	second offense will result in a \$200 fine, and the third and subsequent offenses will result in \$300 fines.
9	After every offense, 3 points will be charged to the citizen's record if they are over 18. 6 points will be
10	charged to the citizen's record if they are ages 16–18 (As 16 is the youngest age you can drive). Additional
11	Court fees will still be added to these fines.
12	
13	Section 2: There are already police to monitor this issue. If caught texting while driving, the citizen will be
14	required to pay the fines. If the citizen has failed to pay the fines, then they will have to face the
15	consequences. There are no exemptions from these fines.
16	
17	Section 3: Citizens will still be allowed to text in their vehicle, when it is not moving. This only accounts for
18	moving vehicles on land. This bill will go into effect 90 days after it's passed.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 13	
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 4	
Sponsors: Brianna Lott, Weston Wright, Emma Boisseau, Sam Williamson	Action on the Bill	
School: Lewisburg ES	House Senate	
City: Lewisburg	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated	

1	An Act Relating To a mentoring requirement in all schools housing students grades 4 – 12
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: This bill will require all schools in Kentucky to require mentor sessions for grades 4–12.
6	
7	Section 2: A mentoring session can be described as a specific teacher advising 15–20 students. These
8	advisory meetings will consist of asking students questions about how they are doing emotionally with
9	school, friends, and family. This should take around 10–12 minutes, in a private setting at least once weekly.
10	
11	Section 3: Mentoring sessions will be mandatory for all schools housing students in grades fourth through
12	twelfth. Mentoring meetings should happen once a week with every student to ensure that they are cared
13	for and helped in any way needed. The point of these meetings is to improve the mental health of growing
14	children. The topic of these meetings is up to the students. Each student in the school will be mentored by a
15	suitable adult who is experienced and able to answer any questions the mentees may have, mentors can also
16	help to guide their entees to reliable resources that are available to the students based on the students
17	needs. This mentor should be consistent with the gatherings, and have meetings with their mentees at least
18	once a week. If a student feels uncomfortable or if they cannot fully express how they feel to their given
19	mentor, they should be able to present a form listing a valid reason for a change in mentor. Each mentor
20	should have 15-20 students that they are responsible for. These once-a-week meetings should last 10-12
21	minutes per child, enough time to sort through any troubles the student is facing.
22	
23	Section 4: If schools do not meet these guidelines, the consequences will be as follows:
24	1st – Verbal Warning
25	2nd – Written Warning
26	3rd – Random observations by school board members
27	4th – Discharge of teacher not following guidelines
28	School boards will keep a record of each school and its documentation.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	14
the Survey	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: Ise 1
Sponsors: Jenna Coursey, Richmond Herring, Sadi Gandee		Action o	n the Bill
School: Lyon Co. MS		House	Senate
City: Eddyville		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Requiring All School Employees to be CPR, AED, and First-Aid Certified
2	
3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
4	
5	Section 1: This bill would require all Kentucky school employees to be trained in Cardiopulmonary
6	Resuscitation (CPR), correct use of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and First Aid procedures.
7	There are only 5 states that call for all school personnel to acquire this certification. Unfortunately, Kentucky
8	is not one of those states. In Kentucky, sports coaches and Preschool/Head Start Program staff are the only
9	school employees that are required by the state of Kentucky to achieve CPR/AED/First Aid certification. Bus
10	drivers are only required to be trained in basic first aid procedures. While every school district is required to
11	have an AED within the schools, not every employee is instructed on how to properly use the device.
12	
13	Section 2: This bill will affect all public school employees in the state of Kentucky. School employees will have
14	the necessary training to perform CPR, First-Aid, and/or use an AED (if available) in the school setting, at
15	home, or in the community.
16	
17	Section 3: Each public school district will be responsible for providing training for all school employees.
18	Districts are already required to provide instructors and pay for certification for sports coaches and
19	Preschool/Head Start Program staff.
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21	Section 4: This bill will pertain to all public school districts in the state of Kentucky.
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23	Section 5: This bill will go into effect by the 2022–2023 school year.

°	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	15
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: ate 1
Sponsors: Emma Kramer, Caleb Yocum, Cesalie Polio, Tanner Senn		Action o	n the Bill
School: Notre Dame Academy		House	Senate
City: Louisville			Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Counseling at a Halfway House for Repeat Offenders
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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 offer repeat offenders with prior convictions related to substance abuse to attend
6	counseling at a halfway house for a reduction of bail. Studies show that 40% of people who commit crimes
7 8	under the influence of drugs and do not receive any form of counseling will repeat those same behaviors.
9	Section 2: In Kentucky there are no laws regarding mandatory halfway housing for repeat offenders. This
10	negatively impacts our state, by allowing these offenders to make the same mistakes again.
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12	Section 3: Anyone arrested and charged with a substance-related crime that has previously been convicted
13	of a drug-related crime, may sign up for this program for a 15% reduction in bail. The offender will receive
14	counseling and treatment at a halfway house upon being bailed out.
15	1st time: The person must stay at a facility for a minimum of 30 days (or until
16	court date) and must be approved for release by facility personnel.
17	2nd time: Minimum of 60 days (or until court case) and must be approved for
18	release by facility personnel.
19	3rd time: Minimum of 90 days (or until court date) and must be approved for release by facility
20	personnel.
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22	Section 4: The funds for sending the repeat offender to counseling will be deducted from the money paid for
23	bail.
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25	Section 5: Upon release from jail, the person has 24 hours to register at a halfway house or a bench warrant
26	will be issued, bail will be revoked, and a local sheriff will be sent to serve the warrant and arrest the
27	offender.
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29	Section 6: This bill will go into effect on March 1st, 2022 as "Madelynn's Law".

®	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	16
the Southern	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: Ise 2
Sponsors: Benjamin Starke, Nolan Hurley, Maryam Ali, Mitchell Marcum		Action o	n the Bill
School: Oldham Co. MS		House	Senate
City: LaGrange		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To The Promotion of Gambling in KY
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: Given the amount of gambling revenue that leaves our state for Indiana or is lost due to illegal
6	gambling, we call on legislators to pass a bill that will legalize gambling in the state of Kentucky.
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8	Section 2: It is estimated that currently over 2 billion dollars are waged illegally every year in Kentucky which
9	if legal could be taxed and bring more money to the state government
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11	Section 3: It's estimated we lose nearly 3.9 billion tax dollars to nearby states such as Indiana and Ohio due
12	to gambling money, food money, and other funds spent in Indiana casinos and gambling facilities.
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14	Section 4: Our bill would give people the right to create and attend gambling facilities in Ky which will give us
15	more funding for government duties such as education, Roadwork, government buildings, etc.

•	KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW	17
the	KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill		Committee: Ise 1
Sponsors: Audra Pierce, Grace Kiefer, Nina Campos, Ellie Majors		Action o	n the Bill
School: Sts. Peter & Pa	ul School – Lexington	House	Senate
City: Lexington		Passed Defeated	Passed Defeated

1	An Act Relating To Major Storm Drains in Kentucky
2	
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 76 is created and reads as follows:
6	To require a filter underneath all major storm drains in Kentucky.
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8	Section 2: Funds are appropriated through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.
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10	Section 3:
11	First Offense: A fine to the city in the amount of 10% of the total cost.
12	Second Offense: A fine to the city in the amount of 25% of the total cost.
13	Third Offense: The control of this city department will be put under the control of the state until the
14	regulation is complied with.
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16	Section 4: This law shall go into effect January 1, 2024.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 18
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 4
Sponsors: Anna Quinn, Madeline Sisk	Action on the Bill
School: Sts. Peter & Paul School - Lexington	House Senate
City: Lexington	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	An Act Relating To School Intervention
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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 158 is created and reads as follows:
6	To offer an extended school day prior to the opening and/or after the school ends by 30 minutes to
7	offer intervention in Math and Language Arts reducing the education gap.
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9	Section 2: Funds are appropriated through the Kentucky State Education and School Boards Budget.
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11	Section 3:
12	First Offense: The ranking of the school drops one star on the Kentucky 5 star system.
13	Second Offense: The ranking of the school drops a second star, and the faculty is required to take
14	part in a professional development course on teaching these students.
15	Third Offense: The school's funding will be reduced by no less than 5%, but not more than 10% for
16	the cost of this extra school interventions.
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18	Section 4: This law shall go into effect by July 1, 2023.

* KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 19
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: House 4
Sponsors: Anne Hankins, Gauri Joshi, Ellie Baniak	Action on the Bill
School: Winburn MS	House Senate
City: Lexington	Passed Passed Passed Defeated Defeated

1	AN ACT relating to an exemption of the sales tax on feminine hygiene 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: Currently there is a 6% state sales tax on all menstrual items. The purpose of this proposal is to
6	exempt from sales and use tax feminine hygiene products, which are tampons, panty liners, menstrual cups,
7	sanitary napkins, and other similar tangible property designed for feminine hygiene in connection with the
8	human menstrual cycle.
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10	Section 2: This bill proposes to remove the tax on all menstrual products such as tampons and pads.
11	Currently these items are necessary items are taxed by a 6% sales tax. This bill proposes to remove the tax
12	from these items so they may also be purchased with an EBT card just as milk, bread, baby formula, and
13	other food items
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15	Section 3: No funding will be required to carry out this new mandate.
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17	Section 4: This Bill would go into effect on January of 2022.

• KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION	CW 20	
the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Referred to Committee: Senate 3	
Sponsors: Billie Phemister, Corinne Yelowitz, Sophie Hirschowitz, Liam Gaddis	Action on the Bill	
School: Winburn MS	House Senate	
City: Lexington	🗆 Passed 🗆 Passed Defeated Defeated	

1	An Act To Provide Jobs for the People of Kentucky Through New Forms of Energy
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3	Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
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5	Section 1: Coal energy has hit its lowest point of production in the last four decades. Kentucky has an
6 7	average unemployment rate of 6%, which could be vastly improved through new means of energy production.
8	Section 2: This will be implemented through a series of income tax breaks. Businesses with a \$50,000 net
9	worth will be paying a 2.5% corporate tax. While \$50,000-\$100,000 businesses are taxed at 3.5%, and
10	businesses with a \$100,000 net worth or above taxed at 4.5%. This would mean an annual tax break of
11	1.5% for all businesses. Furthermore, community colleges would make the cost for a degree in fields related
12	to sustainable energy production cheaper than getting a degree in a field related to coal mining to make it
13	easier for workers to switch over.
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15	Section 3: This will be managed by the Kentucky Department of Revenue, which will oversee the tax breaks
16	and pricing of community college courses.
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18	Section 4: There is no funding necessary for this bill, seeing as you only lose money if the bill works. Though
19	we would be losing some money from the tax breaks, we would regain that (and probably over that) amount
20	due to income taxes from the people gaining new jobs in the renewable energy sector. Furthermore, that
21	extra money would boost local economies leading to more beneficial wealth.
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Section 5: This bill will go into effect on January 28th, 2022.