





BLUEGRASS BILLS


**KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY**

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|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG2 | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 3 | |
| Sponsors: Kate Sketo, Anna Fahey, Whitney Cooper | Action on the Bill | |
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1 An Act Relating To Requirement of child abuse programs throughout schools
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A new Section of KRS chapter 156.095 is created to read as follows
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6 Section 2: Currently in Kentucky, phone numbers of statewide child abuse hotline and the National Human
7 Trafficking Reporting Hotline are required to be displayed in every public school.
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9 Section 3: It would be beneficial to extend this requirement to include a program discussing the recognition
10 and reporting of sexual, emotional, physical abuse, & neglect. This program would be required for students
11 throughout all public schools.
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13 Section 4: Double the amount of child abuse cases go unreported compared to those that are reported. This
14 may be due to youth not knowing how to go about reporting abusive situations or incidents or feeling unsafe
15 to do so. This program would be required, at a minimum, to include information on signs of abuse, what is
16 considered abuse, how to report an abusive situation, and must be taught over the duration of at least one
17 class period within the first 30 in-school days of the school year. This program would be enforced and
18 taught by a certified social worker.
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20 Section 5: The funding for this program would come from the Kentucky Department of Education which is
21 allotted a certain amount of money to bettering school facilities and safety.
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23 Section 6 In the case this bill is passed, it will be implemented in January of 2024.

|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG4 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: House 1 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Brian Hack, Nick Phan, Bryston Wechter, Will Yurt | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: DeSales HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Louisville | | | | | | | |


1 An Act Relating To the Prohibition of the Wrongful Disposal of PFAS into Bodies of Water
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: An increasing number of PFAS have been found in Kentucky drinking water due to the dumping of
5 products containing PFAS into lakes and rivers. PFAS, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, are synthetic
6 (man-made) chemicals found in common goods such as food wrappers, nonstick pans, and carpeting. Due to
7 their strong chemical bonds, these substances take over 1000 years to degrade naturally. Scientific studies
8 have shown that exposure to these chemicals causes decreased vaccine response, testicular cancer, kidney
9 cancer, ulcerative colitis, thyroid disease, high cholesterol, birth defects, and other health problems.
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11 Section 2: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 224.70 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) The dumping
12 of all PFAS in all bodies of water shall be completely prohibited. (2) The above shall be enforced by the
13 Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet. (3) The penalty for the dumping of PFAS shall be a Class D Felony
14 that results in one to four years of imprisonment and a fine of \$1,000 to \$10,000. (4) All subsequent
15 offenses shall result in increased penalties not to exceed 10 years of imprisonment and not to exceed
16 \$10,000 in fines. (5) The exact penalty to be imposed shall be decided by the Kentucky Energy and
17 Environment Cabinet.
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19 Section 3: Any statute contrary to this act shall be amended or repealed.

|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG11 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: Senate 1 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Ella Anderkin, Ellie Oldham, Taylee Mulder, Marielena De Pedro | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Sayre School HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Lexington | | | | | | | |


1 **An Act Relating To Expanding Healthcare Access Within Impoverished Communities**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) An non-partisan
5 organization of medical professionals shall be created to supervise and manage the training of rural
6 Kentucky residents and will be constructed in a way that administers impoverished areas with proper medical
7 care. (2) The organization shall focus on providing proper medical educational aid to areas which do not have
8 the facilities to do so. (3) Medical professionals with degrees in various forms shall be hired and paid to
9 provide proper training at one of the facilities.
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11 Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill | Blue BG12 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 2 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Meredith Rouse, Anderson Kim, Rowan Bailey, Phanisree Murty | Action on the Bill | | | | | | |
| School: Sayre School HS | | | | | | | |
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1 **An Act Relating To Public Health and Safety Education for Assault Weapon Buyers**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) For
5 the purposes of this act, an assault weapon is defined as a lethal firearm with semiautomatic or automatic
6 capabilities and a detachable and exchangeable magazine. (2) A committee by the name of this bill shall be
7 formed by the Kentucky National Guard to address the contents of this section when necessary. (3) The
8 committee shall keep a private list of all buyers of assault weapons, for the sole use of selecting trainees for
9 the program: (a) The committee shall produce an application downloadable to all smartphones that can
10 reliably and securely image a face for the sole purpose of identification by the State of Kentucky, and
11 develop an alternative device for that purpose if needed. (b) The application or imaging device shall be
12 distributed freely by the committee to all sellers of firearms in the state. (c) All firearm merchants are
13 required to submit to the committee the total number of assault weapons sold annually. (d) When a firearm
14 is sold, an image of the buyer must be captured by the National Guard-issued application or imaging device
15 and sent to the committee. Failure to comply with this regulation is punishable as a Class D felony. (e) The
16 committee shall identify all buyers of assault weapons using the images provided and approved and reliable
17 software. (4) Through lottery, nine hundred ninety-nine (999) people the age of 17 or over shall be selected
18 at the beginning of each year from the list compiled by the committee to participate in an educational
19 program run by the Kentucky National Guard: (a) There shall be one (1) two (2)-hour afternoon session on
20 the first Friday of each month at appropriate public facilities in the cities of Paducah, Bowling Green,
21 Lexington, Pikeville, and Louisville. (b) Four (4) sessions must be attended during the calendar year after
22 selection. Each session missed is punishable as a class B misdemeanor. (c) A recompense of forty (40) dollars
23 is payable to attendees at each of their four (4) sessions. (d) At the educational sessions, the following
24 categories shall be taught: firearm safety, firearm storage, first aid, and mental health education. (e)
25 Exceptions may be made for disability, capability to travel, and other factors that may render a person
26 ineligible or on leave from the Kentucky National Guard. (f) Non-selected persons may participate in the
27 training shall be charged a fee determined by the committee for the use of program funding, and shall not
28 receive recompense for sessions attended. (5) Once a person has completed the program or is a trained
29 Kentucky National Guardsman they shall be permanently removed from the list of assault weapon buyers. (6)
30 At their will, a person who completes all training required by the program may enlist to provide natural
31 disaster aid under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky National Guard.
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33 Section 2: Section 2. Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.

|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG13 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: Senate 2 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: J.D. Berry, Makenzie Markley, Aiden Samudio | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: St. Patrick School | | | | | | | |
| City: Maysville | | | | | | | |

1 An Act Relating To the Preservation of Historic and Cultural Sites in Kentucky
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: The purpose of this Act is to designate federal and state funds in the form of scholarships
5 available to applicants of state post-secondary education programs with a focus in historic preservation,
6 with the intent to drive economic development in the state by training and retaining competent and
7 motivated individuals capable of advocating for and actively engaging in the preservation of Kentucky
8 historic and culturally significant sites.
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10 Section 2: Scholarships designated by this bill will be awarded and monies administered by the Kentucky
11 Heritage Council.

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|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG14 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: Senate 1 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Ksenia Miller | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <td>House</td> <td>Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Villa Madonna Academy HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Villa Hills | | | | | | | |

1 An Act Relating To the Requirement of Tobacco Retail Licensing (TRL) in Kentucky
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 438 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) All retailers in
5 Kentucky who currently sell tobacco products must apply for and receive a tobacco retail license in order to
6 continue selling tobacco products. (2) If tobacco products are sold to those under the age of 21, the sale will
7 result in a fine of \$500 for the first offense, \$1,000 for a second offense, and revocation of the retailer?s
8 business license for more than three repeated offenses.
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10 Section 2: The current minimum for age for purchasing tobacco products in Kentucky is 21. However, many
11 retailers do not comply with this law which leads to the persistent use of tobacco products among
12 Kentucky?s youth.
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14 Section 3: Kentucky is currently one of 10 states in the United States that does not require retailers to
15 obtain a tobacco retail license. Kentucky and other states who do not require TRL are also among the states
16 with the highest smoking and vaping rates in the United States.
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18 Section 4: The goal of tobacco retail licensing is to ensure that retailers do not sell tobacco products to
19 underage buyers through regular compliance checks and monitoring, which currently does not happen in
20 Kentucky.
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22 Section 5: This bill will be funded by each individual retailer. This will not cost the state of Kentucky any
23 money.
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25 Section 6: This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2024. Retailers will have two months to obtain a license
26 after this bill is passed.


|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill</p> | Blue BG15 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: Senate 3 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Ellie Koloms, Caroline Keith, Kate Tyler, Catherine Herzig | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Walden School HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Louisville | | | | | | | |

- 1 An Act Relating To Background Checks When Purchasing a Firearm. Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of
- 2 the Commonwealth of Kentucky
- 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 237 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS (1) In order to
- 6 purchase a firearm from a public vendor, a background check must be assessed to evaluate past criminal
- 7 history.
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- 9 Section 2: (2) Any individual who has been charged and convicted of a violent crime will not be permitted to
- 10 purchase a firearm.



COMMONWEALTH BILLS

**KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY**

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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW1 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 4 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Lauren Kuprion, Melania Douglass | Action on the Bill | | | | | | |
| School: Assumption HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Louisville | | | | | | | |
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An Act Relating To Mandatory Counseling in Public Schools.

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

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Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS; (1) Requiring all school counselors to have mandatory meetings with their students at least once a year. (2) Requiring all schools to provide two counselors per every 250 students, a change from one every 250 students per KRS Chapter KRS 158.4416(3)(a).

Section 2: Kentucky ranks 37th in child well-being due to many students struggling with mental health. Students are unable to get the quality education that is being provided due to struggles with disorders such as depression, anxiety and eating disorders. Enforcing the meetings with counselors and having more counselors present inside of the school building will allow for students to feel as though they are not just a number and help them to feel safe with someone to talk too.


Section 3: The enactment of putting these counselors inside of the school buildings and monitoring the mandated meetings will be overseen by the Kentucky School Board, they will be enforced by each counties Board of Education. The main goal of the mandatory counselors and meetings is to ensure that each student has an opportunity for a full evaluation each month to aid in removing the stigmas associated with mental health as well as to aid them in achieving the best education they possibly can.

Section 4: To ensure that these meetings are taking place, counselors will have a form that is filled out for each student to describe how the meetings went and if a further checkup should take place, these will then be sent to both the Kentucky School Board and the counties Board of Education. If these forms are not filled out for each child at the school by a counselor, the school will be fined \$200 and will be assessed by the Kentucky School Board to help decide how to fix the issue.


Section 5: The funding will be provided by the Kentucky Tax dollars, that fund the public education, raising the tax from 76 cents per 100 dollars, to 76.3 cents per 100 dollars is a slight increase to provide training as well as funding for the new counselor's salary.

Section 6 This Act takes effect August 1, 2025.




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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW2 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: Senate 4 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Aden Edwards, Becket Johnson, Joe Randolph, Parker Wright | Action on the Bill | | | | | | |
| School: DeSales HS | | | | | | | |
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1 **An Act Relating To Natural Disaster Mitigation and Recovery Efforts**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: Kentucky has been affected by increasingly damaging natural disasters. In 2022 alone, tornadoes,
5 flash flooding, and mudslides have devastated our communities, and this trend is projected to worsen due to
6 the effects of climate change. In towns, such as Mayfield, and in counties Pike, Floyd, and Perry, nearly one
7 billion dollars in damages have been incurred and dozens of lives have been lost.
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9 Section 2: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 147 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Increased funding
10 shall be directed towards green infrastructure projects within areas that are particularly susceptible to
11 natural disasters. Such projects shall be funded through grants from the Clean-Water Act, FEMA, and the
12 Team Eastern Kentucky Flood Relief Fund. Such projects shall be created in cooperation with local
13 governments.
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15 Section 3: Local and regional committees formed to create the above infrastructure may apply for funding as
16 outlined by FEMA, the Clean-Water Act, or other such departments. All committees using state and/or
17 federal funds for the above purposes must submit their proposals to the Governor's Cabinet. The Kentucky
18 Emergency Management division of the Kentucky Department of Military Affairs will be responsible for
19 regulating this bill.
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21 Section 4: This Act takes effect February 14, 2024.

|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill</p> | Blue CW3 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: House 3 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Isabella Keyzer, Julia Shoemaker, Maddie Schulte, sydney Carnes | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Eastern HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Middletown | | | | | | | |

1 An Act Relating To the increase compensation while serving on jury duty in the state of Kentucky
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: Providing jurors an increased pay of \$30 (\$17.50 raise) a day whether the juror is selected for
5 court or not. Being a juror is a civic duty which should be fair to all levels of citizens. The current
6 compensation does not adequately reflect the time and effort required of the jurors. Taking into account the
7 increased living cost, transportation expenses and financial burden which jury duty places on several citizens,
8 it is detrimental to our society that the compensation for jury duty includes fair pay to all eligible citizens
9 who can participate.
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11 Section 2: The daily pay for jury service shall be updated to provide those with a payment of \$30 per day in
12 place of the current \$12.50 pay in place. Compensation for jury duty shall be subject to annual adjustments
13 based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to take into account inflation and changes in the cost of living.
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15 Section 3: Both the state's judiciary and Kentucky Department of Finance shall work in a joint effort to
16 implement administrative procedures necessary along with budgetary adjustments to help ensure accurate
17 revised compensation of jurors.
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19 Section 4: Necessary funds to implement the increased compensation for jury service shall be allocated from
20 the state budget, and any additional funding requirements shall be considered during the annual budgetary
21 process.

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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW5 | |
| | Referred to Committee: Senate 2 | |
| Sponsors: Cooper Kolehmainen, Kway Smith, Harvey Cahill | Action on the Bill | |
| School: Louisville Collegiate HS | House | Senate |
| City: Louisville | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |

An Act Relating To School Safety

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

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Section 1: KRS 158.4414 is amended as follows: In addition to school resource officers (SRO), eligible teachers and school personnel shall be permitted to be armed with a firearm, notwithstanding any provision of local board policy, local school council policy, or memorandum of agreement.

Section 2: A new section of KRS 158.4414 is created to read as follows: The teachers and other school personnel shall maintain one of the following levels of certification as outlined in subsection 6 of the above-mentioned act: School Resource Officer Training I (SRO I), School Resource Officer Training II (SRO II), and School Resource Officer Training III (SRO III). Each level shall consist of forty (40) hours of training, with SRO I to be completed within one (1) year of the date of the officer's employment and SRO II and SRO III within the subsequent two (2) years.

Section 3: A new section of KRS 158.4414 is created to read as follows: The personnel mentioned above shall have the authority to act alongside school resource officers on campus pursuant to KRS 158.473. Local boards of education shall adopt the policies and procedures that specifically state the purpose of the armed faculty and staff as defined in Section 1 of this act. These employees shall have no authority to act as peace officers outside of the property of their school of employment. Local boards of education shall be required to issue appropriate identification for armed faculty and staff, which must be carried with the individual at all times while on the campus of which they have jurisdiction. Failure to carry appropriate identification will result in loss of certification. Local and state boards of education may call accreditation into question should policies fail to be properly written or enforced. School boards are not required to issue weapons. Each individual teacher is permitted to bring their own firearm as long as it meets the proper requirements of peace officer weaponry protocol. The staff members may only wield a firearm if the School Resource Officer approves of its model and caliber.


Section 4: A new section of KRS 158.4414 is created to read as follows: All firearms shall remain concealed on the person of the authorized faculty at all times on campus during school hours.



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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW7 | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 3 | |
| Sponsors: Charley Thomas, Macy Kate Whaley, Aubrey Daniels | Action on the Bill | |
| School: Montgomery Co. HS | House | Senate |
| City: Mt. Sterling | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |


1 An Act Relating To the education of high school students on workers rights, safety, and unionization
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
3
4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) Programs to
5 teach students in secondary education about child labor laws, the rights of workers, workplace safety and
6 responsibilities, rights against discrimination, and rights to unionize. (2) The Purpose of this Bill is to help
7 reduce the number of violations of child labor laws, the exploitation of child workers in the workplace, and
8 help prepare students for there entrance into the workforce. (3) The content of this program shall be
9 determined by the Department of Education and the cabinet of Labor in collaboration. (4) This program shall
10 be given to students in every school district once a school year, within the first week of September as to
11 coincide with Labor day.
12
13 Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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15 Section 3: This Act takes effect May 31, 2024 as to coincide with the ending of the 2023-2024 Academic
16 year.



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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW8 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: Senate 2 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Andrew Pham | Action on the Bill | | | | | | |
| School: North Laurel HS | | | | | | | |
| City: London | | | | | | | |
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1 An Act Relating To Allowing Educators Rights to Strike and or Otherwise Peacefully Assemble
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: Section 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 336.010 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (3)
5 "Public Educator" means any ?Teacher? as defined in KRS 157.320 (13) Teacher, professor, lecturer or
6 personnel highered for the purpose of aiding in the instruction of students while working in the
7 ?postsecondary education system? as defined in KRS 164.001 (17)
8
9 Section 2: Section 2. Amend KRS 336.130 section 1 to read as follows Employees may, free from restraint
10 or coercion by the employers or their agents, associate collectively for self-organization and designate
11 collectively representatives of their own choosing to negotiate the terms and conditions of their employment
12 to effectively promote their own rights and general welfare. Employees, collectively and individually, may
13 strike, engage in peaceful picketing, and assemble collectively for peaceful purposes, except that no public
14 employee, collectively or individually besides public educators, collectively, may engage in a strike or a work
15 stoppage. Nothing in this statute and KRS 65.015, 67A.6904, 67C.406, 70.262, 78.470, 78.480, 336.132,
16 336.134, 336.180, 336.990, and 345.050 shall be construed as altering, amending, granting, or removing
17 the rights of public employees to associate collectively for self-organization and designate collectively
18 representatives of their own choosing to negotiate the terms and conditions of their employment to
19 effectively promote their own rights and general welfare.
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21 Section 3: Section 3: This statute requires no appropriations.
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23 Section 4: Section 4: Any statute contrary to this act shall be amended or repealed.



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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW9 | |
| | Referred to Committee: House 4 | |
| Sponsors: Kaelyn Harvey | Action on the Bill | |
| School: North Laurel HS | | |
| City: London | | |
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1 **An Act Relating To the Expansion of Absentee Voting Windows**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**


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4 Section 1: Section 1: Amend KRS 117.076 section 1 to read as follows: Any voter who is qualified to vote on
5 election day in the county of his or her residence may choose to cast a no-excuse in-person absentee ballot
6 on the six (6) days immediately preceding the day of an election. The available hours from which a voter may
7 cast his or her vote during these three (3) days shall be no less than eight (8) hours between 6 a.m. and 8
8 p.m. prevailing time, as determined by the county board of elections of each county.


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10 Section 2: Section 2 Amend KRS 117.076 section 2 to read as follows: Any voter who is qualified to vote on
11 election day in the county of his or her residence may make application to cast an excused in-person
12 absentee ballot during normal business hours during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the seven (7)
13 days of no-excuse in-person absentee voting under subsection (1) of this section. The voter who makes an
14 application under this subsection shall meet one (1) of the following requirements in order to cast his or her
15 excused in-person absentee ballot.




|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill</p> | Blue CW10 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: Senate 3 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Kathryn Sturgeon, Gracie Underwood, Mary Steiner, Briley Cline | Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Paris HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Paris | | | | | | | |

1 An Act Relating To Create Voting Positions for Student Board Members in all Public Schools
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
3
4 Section 1: Each public school board in Kentucky will be required to add at least 1 seat which shall be filled or
5 reserved for a current 9th-12th grade student enrolled within the district. This student board member shall
6 enjoy voting privileges in any and all voting matters. To qualify for the position prospective students; must
7 be a 9th-12th grader who has been actively enrolled in the district for 2 consecutive years. In the case that
8 no student elects to hold the position the district must reserve the seat until a willing candidate petitions the
9 school board for the position. Student school board members must be elected by the student population.
10 Elections shall be headed by the school's guidance counselor. Free and open elections shall be held every
11 November with one-year-long terms to begin on January 1st of the following year. The term of any one
12 student school board member shall not exceed 2 years or 2 terms.
13
14 Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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16 Section 3: This bill shall go into effect by May 1st, 2024, to coincide with the 2024-2025 school year

|  <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill</p> | Blue CW11 | | | | | | |
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| | Referred to Committee: House 2 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Jenny Hu, Victoria Le | Action on the Bill <table> <thead> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | House | Senate | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated | ___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated |
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| School: Pikeville HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Pikeville | | | | | | | |

- 1 An Act Relating To Child Beauty Pageants Be It Enacted By The Youth Assembly Of Kentucky
- 2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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- 4 Section 1: Currently pageants are open to minors. Without proper regulation, these pageants put children
- 5 into dangerous and inappropriate situations.
- 6
- 7 Section 2: No pageants shall be held under Kentucky state law that judges contestants under the age of 13.
- 8 No contestants under the age of 18 shall be allowed to participate if they have had elective surgeries.
- 9 Pageants for the contestants under the age of 18 shall be "Natural Pageants". A committee will determine
- 10 specific regulations and compliance.
- 11
- 12 Section 3: A beauty pageant regulation committee shall be appointed by relevant government offices. This
- 13 legislative committee to determine compliance with wording or clarify wording of this bill. All pageants with
- 14 contestants under the age of 18 must have a license administered by this committee.
- 15
- 16 Section 4: Any pageant not found in adherence with this bill will be shut down, have their licenses suspended,
- 17 and be placed under review. Pageant networks will be forced to reimburse the participants.
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- 19 Section 5: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.
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- 21 Section 6 This bill will go into effect January 1, 2024

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|  KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill | Blue CW13 | | | | | | |
| | Referred to Committee: Senate 3 | | | | | | |
| Sponsors: Danni Yang, Preston Trout, Harper Monohan, Cynclair Dicken | Action on the Bill | | | | | | |
| School: Sayre School HS | | | | | | | |
| City: Lexington | | | | | | | |
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1 **An Act Relating To The Protection of First Amendment Rights of Student Journalists**
2 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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4 Section 1: A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (1) For the purposes
5 of this act, a student journalist is defined as an individual who compiles, reports, writes, edits, or otherwise
6 publishes information under the sponsorship of a public or private academic institution. (2) Student
7 journalists shall be able to exercise their First Amendment rights: (a) Retaining the freedom of speech,
8 freedom of the press, and freedom of expression as written in the United States Constitution within school-
9 sponsored press and media. (b) Advisors shall be present only to provide guidance and educational support
10 for the student journalists. (c) Students shall face no torment or disciplinary action based solely on the
11 content published in the school?s media. (3) Students wishing to pursue this participation in the school?s
12 publications and other media sources will be trained on ethical approaches to publishing and journalistic
13 integrity to ensure students treat all participants with the utmost respect. Students who do not abide by
14 these guidelines concerning their publications will be subject to reprimand and possible removal from the
15 student publication for some time or indefinitely.
16
17 Section 2: Any statute contrary to this Act shall be amended or repealed.



