

CHAPTER 129**(HB 475)**

AN ACT related to information about meningococcal meningitis disease.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *If, at the beginning of a school year, a board of education for a local school district provides information on immunizations, infectious disease, medications, or other school health issues to parents and guardians of students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), then the following information about meningococcal meningitis disease and its vaccine shall be included:*
 - (a) *A description of causes, symptoms, and means of transmission;*
 - (b) *A list of sources for additional information; and*
 - (c) *Related recommendations issued by the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*
- (2) *The Department of Education, in cooperation with the Department for Public Health, shall develop and make available the information about meningococcal meningitis disease and its vaccine to local school districts as required under subsection (1) of this section in an efficient manner that shall include posting the information on its Web site.*

Approved April 4, 2006.