

**CHAPTER 26****( HB 302 )**

AN ACT relating to historic military events and declaring an emergency.

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

➔Section 1. KRS 38.440 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) ***Except as permitted in subsections (2), (3), and (4),*** no persons other than the Kentucky National Guard or Kentucky active militia shall associate together as an armed company or drill or parade with arms without permission from the Governor.
- (2) ~~[Benevolent and social organizations may wear swords and ]~~Students in educational institutions chartered under the laws of Kentucky, in which military science is part of the course of instruction, may drill and parade with arms in public under the supervision of their instructors.
- (3) ***Veterans' service organizations may wear swords and may drill or parade with arms in public.***
- (4) ***People participating in the reenactment of a historical military event from the French and Indian War, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, United States Civil War, or Spanish-American War may wear swords and may drill or parade with arms in public.***

➔Section 2. Whereas activities planned by the Commission on the War of 1812 Bicentennial will commence in coming months, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

**Signed by Governor March 16, 2011.**