# **Senate Bills**

**SB1 (BR1350)** - P. Wheeler, R. Stivers, S. Funke Frommeyer, B. Storm, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to the film industry. Create new sections of subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to establish the Kentucky Film Office within the Cabinet for Economic Development for administrative purposes only; establish duties of the office; establish the Kentucky Film Leadership Council to be administratively attached to the Kentucky Film Office; establish duties and membership of the council; amend KRS 12.020 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

#### **SB1 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 141.383 and Subchapter 61 of KRS Chapter 154 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S); 1st

reading ; returned to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules with Committee

Substitute (1); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

SB2 (BR1254)/CI - M. Wilson, M. Deneen, J. Adams, G. Boswell, J. Carpenter, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, D. Givens, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, C. McDaniel, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, C. Richardson, B. Smith, R. Stivers, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, S. West, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to correctional facilities.

Create new section of KRS Chapter 197 to define terms; prohibit hormone treatment or elective surgery for gender reassignment.

## SB2 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(K. Berg) - Amend to allow a person to continue existing treatment using cross-sex hormones while incarcerated if the person was undergoing that treatment upon admission to the correctional facility.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 11, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 ; 3rd reading, passed 31-6 ; floor amendment

## SB3 (BR971) - M. Wise, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to student-athletes and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 164.6941 to define terms; amend KRS 164.6943 to allow the limitation of earning compensation through a NIL agreement through an institutional agreement between the student-athlete and the institution or affiliated organization; permit an institution or association to require compensation be consistent with the prevailing range of compensation; amend KRS 164.6945 to conform and authorize a student-athlete to receive compensation from an institution or its affiliated corporation through a written institutional agreement; authorize an institution or affiliated corporation to designate a media rights holder or other third parties whom an institution's student-athletes may directly enter into NIL agreements with; amend KRS 164.6947 to conform and provide affiliated corporation's employees with the same liability protections as institution employees as it relates to damages resulting from decisions and actions routinely taken in the course of intercollegiate athletics; delete language providing that nothing in the section protects institutions from acts of gross negligence and certain misconduct; exempt a student-athlete's institutional agreements not from disclosure under the Kentucky Open Records Act; amend KRS 164.6949 to include the waiver for actions brought on institutional agreements under KRS 45A.245; amend KRS 164.6951 to conform and include prospective student athletes in provisions concerning the reaffirming of NIL agreements or agency contracts when no longer participating in intercollegiate athletics; amend KRS 156.070 to include school property in the prohibition of a high school studentathlete's use of member school property; EMERGENCY. Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 1st reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

SB4 (BR384) - A. Mays Bledsoe, B. Storm

AN ACT relating to protection of information and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 42.722 to define terms relating to artificial intelligence; amend KRS 42.726 to require the Commonwealth Office of Technology to establish and implement policy standards for the use of artificial intelligence; create a new section of KRS 42.720 to 42.742 to create the Artificial Intelligence Governance Committee: task the committee with the establishment of responsible, ethical, and transparent procedures for the allowable use, development, and approval of artificial intelligence for any department, program, cabinet, agency, and administrative body that uses and accesses the Commonwealth's

information technology and technology infrastructure; require public disclosure of any use of artificial intelligence; provide employee education and training; prioritize personal privacy and protection of the data of individuals and businesses; require the Commonwealth Office of Technology to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 117.001 to define "electioneering communication," "information content provider," "interactive computer service," "sponsor," and "synthetic media"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 117 to establish a cause of action for the use of synthetic media in an electioneering communication; establish an affirmative defense that the electioneering communication includes a conspicuous disclosure; provide that the sponsor of the electioneering communication may be held liable, but the medium and its advertising sales representative are not liable, except in certain circumstances; EMERGENCY.

## SB4 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(G. Williams) - Retain original provisions, except remove Sections 4 and 5 in their entirety.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; 3rd reading, passed 30-3

## SB5 (BR1425)/FN - S. West

AN ACT relating to public schools. Amend KRS 160.346 to include identification as a state intervention school when a school enters comprehensive support and improvement status and does not make annual improvement for two years or does not exit the status after three years; create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to define "state intervention school"; require the identification of state intervention schools with the 2027-2028 school year; establish the procedures for identification; require the commissioner of education to take management of the state intervention school and develop an intervention plan to the Kentucky Board of Education for approval; establish the authorities of the commissioner of education over the state intervention school: establish the criteria for a school to exit status as an state intervention school; create a new section of KRS Chapter 156 to establish a procedure for a local board of education to submit a waiver request to the Kentucky Board of Education to waive a statute or administrative regulation; set the terms and limitations of a waivers; authorize the identification of schools of innovation and establish parameters for the status; establish procedures for the renewal of approved waivers; provide the conditions and procedure for rescinding waivers by the state board; authorize the promulgation of administrative

conform; repeal KRS 156.108 and 160.107; provide that the Act may be cited as the School Improvement and Innovation Act.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 1st reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Education (S)

## SB6 (BR1647) - D. Givens, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky Program.

Amend KRS 157.320 to include costs paid on behalf of districts in the definition of "Support Education Excellence in Kentucky"; define "distributable cost" and "on-behalf cost"; amend KRS 157.330 to include appropriations of onbehalf costs in the fund to support education excellence in Kentucky; amend KRS 157.360 to provide for the calculation of total cost of the program to support education excellence in Kentucky to include on-behalf costs and distributable costs; provide for the calculation; provide for the determination of on-behalf costs; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

## SB6 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 157.320 to define "fringe benefit costs"; amend KRS 157.330 to include expenditures paid by the state in the fund to support education excellence in Kentucky; amend 157.360 to include fringe benefit costs in the factors to adjust each district's base funding level and prohibit those funds from being distributed to the districts; create a new section of KRS 157.310 to 157.440 to require all reports published or distributed by the Kentucky Department of Education related to the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky program disbursements to districts include specific information about factors; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

**SB7 (BR1474)** - A. Mays Bledsoe, D. Douglas, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to property rights to the use of an individual's image.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 365 to define terms; establish that every individual has property rights to images of his or her unclothed body; establish how those property rights may be transferred or terminated; provide for liability, enforcement, and damages resulting from a violation of those

#### (1) filed

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) regulations to adopt necessary forms and procedures to process waiver requests; amend various sections to property rights.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Judiciary (S); 1st reading ; returned to Judiciary (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 05, 2025

## SB8 (BR929) - R. Stivers

AN ACT relating to the Public Service Commission.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 278 to establish the membership of the Public Service Commission; provide for the appointment, confirmation, and replacement of commissioners; establish the qualifications of the commissioners; set the terms and term limits for commissioners; amend KRS 278.040 to provide that the commission is an independent department of state government that is administratively attached to the Energy and Environment Cabinet only for the limited functions and purposes that the commission requests; allow the commission, in its sole discretion, to identify and determine the compensation for categories of its professional employees; prohibit the commission from being reorganized under KRS Chapter 12; amend KRS 278.060 to prohibit the immediate family members of commissioners from having any official relationship to any utility; allow for a commissioner or an immediate family member to have a pension or a retirement savings account with utility as long as no contributions have been made to it for at least one year prior to the commissioner's appointment; amend KRS 278.070 to allow the officer who appointed a commissioner to remove the commissioner for cause; amend KRS 278.120 to allow the commission to have sole discretion in fixing the compensation of the executive director; amend KRS 278.702, 64.640, and 160.617 to conform; repeal KRS 278.050, relating to membership of the Public Service Commission; require the Auditor of Public Accounts to make initial appointments to the commission on or before July 1, 2025, and provide for the staggering of the appointments; allow current members of the commission to serve out the remainders of their terms provided that they meet the qualification requirements of the Act; terminate the terms of current commissioners who do not meet the qualification requirements of the Act and provide for their replacement; direct the transfer of all records, files, or documents associated with functions previously performed by the Energy and Environment Cabinet to the Public Service Commission.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S); taken from Natural Resources & Energy (S); 1st reading ; returned to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

Feb 21, 2025 - taken from Natural Resources & Energy (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Natural Resources & Energy (S) AN ACT relating to teacher benefit

provisions and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 161.155 to require school districts to establish a policy by July 1, 2030, to provide up to 30 days maternity leave to each teacher and employee who gives birth; require school districts to pay the actuarial costs of sick leave to the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) for future sick leave accruals in excess of 12 days each year; provide that the state will pay the actuarial costs for sick leave accrued as of June 30, 2025, plus up to 12 days accrued each year after June 30, 2025; provide that actuarial costs for sick leave for associations and agencies listed under KRS 161.220(4)(d) and (f) will be paid by the employer rather than the state; require each school district to annually report sick leave balances to TRS beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and specify contents of the report; amend KRS 161.400 to require TRS to annually report in the annual actuarial valuation the total liabilities and costs of the sick leave program created by KRS 161.155 and the annual leave program created by KRS 161.540(1)(f); amend KRS 161.643 to include new sick leave reporting requirements in the annual statutory reporting requirements for TRS employers; provide that the Auditor of Public Accounts shall perform a special audit of the sick leave program to ensure sick leave balances and costs are being reported correctly for the TRS, to determine if any entities are being provided retirement coverage in the system through participating employers listed in statute, and to require the system to pay the costs of the audit; ÉMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 1st reading ; returned to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 2nd reading ; returned to State & Local Government (S)

SB10 (BR229)/AA/LM - R. Mills, J. Higdon, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Madon, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to retiree health provisions of the County Employees Retirement System.

Amend KRS 78.5536, relating to the County Employees Retirement System, to increase the nonhazardous and hazardous duty under age 65 retiree health subsidy to \$40 and \$50 per month for each year of service, respectively, for those members who meet the "career threshold" who began participating in the system on or after July 1, 2003, and who are eligible for a fixed-dollar retiree health subsidy not tied to the premium; extend the employee contribution used to fund retiree health benefits to include members who began participating in the system on or after July 1, 2003, and increase the current hazardous

amendments regarding the retiree health premium reimbursement program to conform to current policy; provide that the amendments to the employee contributions shall be effective July 1, 2026; for calculation of the retiree health subsidy increase, provide that the change shall apply to service earned prior to the effective date of this Act by eligible members, including retirees, and shall prospectively be adjusted annually by the 1.5% increase currently provided in statute; provide that subsidies payable to impacted retirees shall begin on or after January 1, 2026, to coincide with the next health plan year; direct the Public Pension Oversight Board to continue to review the retiree health fund actuarial data and evaluate potential legislative options to address any future continued improvements in the funds; RETROACTIVE.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

21, 2025 Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

35-0 Feb 25, 2025 - received in House ; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

**SB11 (BR431)/LM** - R. Thomas, C. Armstrong, G. Neal, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to wages.

Amend KRS 337.010 to increase the applicable threshold of employees of retail stores and service industries from \$95,000 to \$500,000 average annual gross volume of sales for the employer; amend KRS 337.275 to incrementally raise the minimum wage to \$15 an hour; include anti-preemption language permitting local governments to establish minimum wage ordinances in excess of the state minimum wage.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Appropriations &

SB12 (BR997)/AA/HM/LM/SP - S. Meredith, C. Richardson, R. Thomas

Revenue (S)

AN ACT relating to prescription drugs. Amend KRS 304.17A-164 to define terms; establish cost-sharing requirements for prescription drugs; require rebates to be passed through; establish confidentiality requirements for the rebate information: create a new section of KRS 365.880 to 365.900 to provide that the actual amount of rebates received is a trade secret; provide that compliance with prescription drug cost-sharing and rebate requirements shall not be in violation of the Uniform Trade Secrets Act; amend KRS 304.17C-125, 304.38A-115, 18A.225, and 164.2871 to apply the cost-sharing and rebate requirements for prescription drugs to limited health

employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution; apply provisions to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

**SB13 (BR995)** - S. Meredith, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to Medicaid managed care.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to limit the number of managed care organizations contracted by the Department for Medicaid Services to no more than three; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

## SB13 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except remove delayed effective date; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to procure new Medicaid managed care contracts with an effective date no later than January 1, 2027.

SFA1(S. Meredith) - Delete requirement that procurement of new managed care contracts occur no later than January 1, 2007.

SFA2(S. Meredith) - Delete requirement that procurement of new managed care contracts occur no later than January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 14, 2025

Feb 14, 2025 - floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute ; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading ; floor amendment (1) withdrawn; passed 36-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (2)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB14 (BR996)** - S. Meredith, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, S. Madon

AN ACT relating to pharmaceutical manufacturers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 315 to define terms, prohibit discrimination against 340B covered entities by pharmaceutical manufacturers, and authorize the Attorney General to investigation violations.

## SB14 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(G. Williams) - Make title amendment. SFA2(G. Williams) - Delete original provisions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to establish reporting requirements for nonprofit hospitals and the 340B drug program.

**SB9 (BR382)/AA** - J. Higdon, S. Funke Frommeyer

employee contribution rate to 2% of pay for those eligible for the fixed-dollar retiree health subsidy; make technical service benefit plans, limited health service organizations, the state employee health plan, and self-insured Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 07, 2025 - floor amendments (1-

title) and (2) filed Feb 12, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 13, 2025

Feb 13, 2025 - 3rd reading ; floor amendments (2) and (1-title) withdrawn; passed 33-4

Feb 14, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB15 (BR838) - A. Mays Bledsoe, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, G. Neal, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to minimum wage exceptions.

Amend KRS 337.010 to amend the definition of "employee" to exempt baseball players who are compensated pursuant to the terms of a contract and a collective bargaining agreement that expressly provides for wages and working conditions.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0

Feb 20, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

SB16 (BR1075) - S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for certified professional midwifery services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Department for Medicaid Services and any managed care organization with whom the department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services to provide coverage for certified professional midwifery services that are provided by a licensed certified professional midwife; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary and comply with KRS 205.525.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

**SB17 (BR1070)** - S. Funke Frommeyer, J. Adams, C. Armstrong, K. Herron, A. Mays Bledsoe, G. Neal, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to freestanding birthing centers.

and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations to establish licensure standards for freestanding birthing centers; establish criteria for a medical director; establish requirements for obtaining written informed consent; require a written patient transfer agreement with a hospital that provides obstetric services; require a written patient transfer agreement with an emergency medical transportation service; exempt a center with no more than four beds from certificate-of-need requirements for establishing and licensing a freestanding birthing center; state intent not to limit or expand liability of a center or health care provider or facility; require medical malpractice insurance for freestanding birthing centers; prohibit abortions in freestanding birthing centers; amend KRS 216B.015 to include freestanding birthing centers in the definition of "health facility"; amend KRS 216B.020, 196.173, 211.122, 211.647, 211.660, 213.046, 214.155, 214.565, 214.567, 214.569, 216.2920, 216.2921, 216.2923, 216.2925, 216.2927, and 216.2970 to conform; require the cabinet to promulgate updated administrative regulations by December 1, 2025; provide that the Act may be cited as the Mary Carol Akers Birth Centers Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 07, 2025

Feb 07, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-0-3

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB18 (BR446) - R. Girdler

AN ACT relating to insurance requirements for certain vehicle business licensees.

Amend KRS 190.033 to allow indemnifying bonds or insurance policies for certain vehicle business licensees to be issued by a nonadmitted insurer in accordance with the requirements of Subtitle 10 of KRS Chapter 304; make technical amendments.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 13, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - to Banking &

Insurance (H)

AN ACT relating to moments of silence and reflection.

Amend KRS 158.175 to require moments of silence or reflection at the start of each school day and establish guidelines.

## **SB19 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(A. Moore) - Retain original provisions, except delete requirements for pupils to remain seated and silent and make no distracting display during a moment of silence or reflection.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 31-6

Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

**SB20 (BR1545)** - M. Nunn, P. Wheeler, J. Higdon, R. Mills, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, S. West

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 13A.010 to redefine "major economic impact"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 13A to establish limitations on the authority of an administrative body to promulgate

administrative regulations; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 13A to conform; EMERGENCY; EFFECTIVE March 31, 2025.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

## SB21 (BR435) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to traffic control signal monitoring systems.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 189 to define "agency," "owner," "recorded images," and "traffic control signal monitoring system"; establish a civil penalty of \$50 if a motor vehicle is recorded failing to obey the instructions of a traffic control device; set forth forms and procedures; outline defenses for citations for failing to obey a traffic control device; mandate that a person who refuses to pay the civil penalty and does not appear to contest the citation shall have the vehicle's registration suspended; mandate that civil penalties shall not result in points against the violator's driving record; amend KRS 189.231 and 189.990 to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

SB22 (BR70) - R. Thomas, D. Yates

allow barber and cosmetology license applicants to retake the failed portion of an examination one month after receiving actual notice of the failure; enable cosmetologist and esthetician applicants to retake any examination an unlimited number of times; amend KRS 317A.020 to allow a penalty more severe than a warning notice to be issued if a licensee knowingly employs or utilizes an unlicensed nail technician; amend KRS 317A.040 to remove the requirement that a licensed cosmetologist serve as the executive director of the Kentucky Board of Cosmetology; amend KRS 317A.100 to allow reciprocal licensure for an applicant from a United States territory.

### **SB22 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; require enhanced penalties if a licensee knowingly employs or utilizes any unlicensed individual; enable all cosmetology board licensure applicants to retake any examination an unlimited number of times; amend KRS 317A.130 to apply health and safety standards to all licensees.

SFA1(R. Thomas) - Remove all language relating to the barber licensure examination.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 20, 2025 - floor amendment (1)

filed to Committee Substitute Feb 26, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 Feb 27, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 ; 3rd reading, passed 35-2 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB23 (BR422)** - S. West, J. Adams, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Mills, L. Tichenor, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 13A.010 to define "full review"; amend KRS 13A.030, 13A.270, 13A.280, 13A.290, and 13A.300 to establish the procedures for the informational review of an administrative regulation by the Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee or any other legislative committee; make separate processes for full reviews compared to informational reviews; require promulgating agencies to be present and cooperate with informational reviews; allow deferrals of informational reviews under designated circumstances; amend KRS 13A.335 and 67.767 to conform; EMERGENCY.

## SB23 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(S. West) - Require a legislative committee conducting an administrative regulation informational review to notify the promulgating administrative body at least five calendar days in advance;

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to define "freestanding birthing center"; require the Cabinet for Health **SB19 (BR888)** - R. Girdler, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor AN ACT relating to licensed professionals. Amend KRS 317.570 and 317A.120 to

direct an administrative body to request an administrative regulation deferral by 12 noon, eastern time, at least five calendar days prior to the scheduled review.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 05, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 06, 2025 ; floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 06, 2025 - floor amendment adopted Floor Amendment (1) ; 3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 07, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 11, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 2nd reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - reported favorably, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-1; received in Senate; enrolled, signed by President of the Senate; enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House; delivered to Governor

Feb 25, 2025 - signed by Governor (Acts Ch. 2)

#### SB24 (BR425)/CI/LM - R. Girdler

AN ACT relating to property and casualty insurance.

Amend KRS 304.47-010 to expand definition of "statement"; make technical amendments; amend KRS 304.47-020 to establish that statements that misrepresent the scope of damages associated with a property, casualty, or property and casualty insurance claim are fraudulent insurance acts; make technical amendments.

#### **SB24 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except remove certain technical amendments and add exception for offers or counteroffers by legal counsel in a disputed claim involving bodily injury.

SCA1(R. Girdler) - Make title amendment.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance

(S) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee

Amendment (1-title) Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 13, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 36-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to

# SB25 (BR1338)/LM - R. Mills, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to land use. Amend KRS 103.200 to include multifamily housing developments of 48 units or more in the definition of "building" for sections related to industrial revenue bonds; and amend KRS 100.347 to limit who can appeal a final action concerning planning and zoning to owners of real property contiguous to a property whose status would be changed as a result of the final action.

## SB25 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except delete the section that amended KRS 100.347 to limit who can appeal a final action concerning planning and zoning to owners of real property contiguous to a property status that would be changed as a result of the final action.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S); 1st reading ; returned to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules with Committee

Substitute (1); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

**SB26 (BR327)** - B. Storm, J. Adams, C. Armstrong, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, G. Elkins, G. Neal, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to parental rights. Amend KRS 199.011 to define "disability"; amend KRS 199.471 to establish that no petition for placement or adoption of children shall be denied on the sole basis of a disability of the adoptive applicant and enhance procedures for determination of placement or adoption; amend KRS 199.473 to require the secretary review any refusal of a placement of a child due to a disability; that targeted adaptive or support services be offered; and that the cabinet retain all documentation for two years; amend KRS 625.050 to establish that no petition for involuntary termination of parental rights shall be ordered on the sole basis of a disability of the parent; amend KRS 625.090 regarding procedures for an involuntary termination of parental rights involving a parent with a disability.

## SB26 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(B. Storm) - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 199.462 to prohibit the Cabinet for Health and Family Services from disapproving of any placement or custody arrangement on the sole basis of a disability of the prospective caregiver without considering whether targeted adaptive or supportive services could enable the prospective caregiver to provide essential care and protection for the child. Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules;

posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Feb 12, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 13, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

**SB27 (BR288)** - B. Storm, D. Carroll, M. Deneen, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, R. Mills, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to Parkinson's disease.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Parkinson's Disease Research Registry within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services; direct the secretary of the cabinet to establish the Kentucky Parkinson's Disease Research Registry Advisory Committee and make appointments; require the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to designate Parkinson's disease and the identified Parkinsonisms as diseases that are required to be reported to the cabinet, establish a system of collection and dissemination of information on the incidence and prevalence of Parkinson's disease in Kentucky through the registry, identify data points to be collected, establish a coding system to safeguard patients' privacy, and develop guidelines for sharing registry data for research purposes; require the cabinet to collect and receive data for the registry; authorize the cabinet to enter into datasharing contracts; require all health facilities and licensed health care providers to submit Parkinson's disease reports to the cabinet beginning on January 1, 2026; require facilities and providers to provide patients with notice of the submission of data to the registry and an opportunity to opt out of having their information shared; require the cabinet to make the registry data available to researchers in compliance with the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects and other federal and state privacy laws and regulations; authorize the sharing of data with other registries, agencies, and officers if confidentiality requirements are followed; provide that sharing of information in accordance with security and privacy requirements does not expose a person to liability; direct the cabinet to maintain an accurate record of all persons who have been granted access to registry data and make the record available to the public; state that nothing compels an individual to submit to any medical examination; prohibit researchers from contacting a patient or patient's family unless the cabinet has first obtained the

Health Services and establish a registry website where the public can access the report and other information on Parkinson's disease.

## **SB27 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except add representatives from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine and the University of Louisville School of Medicine to the Kentucky Parkinson's Disease Research Registry Advisory Committee; require facilities and providers to inform the cabinet of an erroneous diagnosis of Parkinson's disease or Parkinsonsims and require the cabinet to remove the patient from the registry; permit facilities and providers to use automated reporting methods supplied by the cabinet or the Kentucky Health Information Exchange; extend the deadlines for the cabinet to submit a yearly program summary and to establish a registry website to October 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

34-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

SB28 (BR483)/FN - J. Howell, C. Richardson, R. Webb

AN ACT relating to agricultural economic development and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 246 to create a new agricultural economic development program within the Department of Agriculture; establish the agricultural economic development board; create the agricultural economic development fund; EMERGENCY.

## **SB28 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions except allow a low-interest loan as an incentive; require additional information in the annual report prepared by the board; require the memorandum of agreement to establish the type of incentive awarded; prohibit disclosure of records relating to applications for incentives that are denied; amend KRS 154.12-213 to require the Cabinet for Economic Development to coordinate with and seek guidance from the Commissioner of Agriculture; amend KRS 248.709 to authorize the Agricultural Development Board to participate in making or purchasing insured mortgage or other types of loans to qualified applicants related to the incentive awards.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H) patient's permission; require the cabinet to submit a yearly program summary update to the Interim Joint Committee on February 20, 2025 Feb 20, 2025 - floor amendment adopted Committee Substitute (1) ; 3rd reading, passed 34-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### SB29 (BR43) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to oaths. Amend KRS 6.072 to require witnesses appearing before a committee, interim committee, statutory committee, subcommittee, commission, or task force of the General Assembly to take an oath prior to giving testimony.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB30 (BR42) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to Medicaid home and community-based waiver residential services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to establish the right of an individual, parent, guardian, or limited guardian to install video recording devices in the private residential room of an individual who is receiving residential services under a federally approved 1915(c) home and community based services waiver program; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

## SB31 (BR957) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to bus safety. Amend KRS 156.153 to define "danger zone"; direct the Department of Education to consider requiring the installation of school bus sensors and interior cameras on new school buses purchased on or after July 1, 2026; direct the department to promulgate administrative regulations; require the department to submit a report on the availability and effectiveness of school bus sensors to the Legislative Research Commission by June 30, 2026; amend KRS 156.990, 160.380, and 189.540 to conform; amend KRS 281.635 to encourage cities to install safety sensors in city buses; provide that part of the Act may be cited as Ally's Law.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

#### SB32 (BR958) - D. Yates, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to veterans. Amend KRS 154.12-330 to give preference to veterans in the issuance of small business loans; create a new section of KRS Chapter 151B to require monthly veteran workforce reports; create new sections of Subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to require annual job training reports by the Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs; require a report on occupational licenses by the Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs; create a new section of KRS Chapter 311 to require the Kentucky Board of

Medical Licensure to review licensing practices for nurses and physicians assistants for military reciprocity through promulgation of administrative regulations; create new sections of KRS Chapter 164 to grant college credit to certain veterans; provide additional flexibility in college scheduling and registration to veterans; amend KRS 40.317 to expand the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs' assistance to veterans in navigating healthcare; create new sections of KRS Chapter 40 to direct the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs to increase access to healthcare for veterans; ensure veterans have access to mental health care; direct the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs to end veteran homelessness.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB33 (BR956)/CI - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to marijuana. Amend KRS 218A.1421, 218A.1422, and 218A.1423 to remove penalties for possession, cultivation, or trafficking of up to eight ounces or five plants of marijuana; create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to allow expungement of certain convictions relating to cannabis; amend KRS 218A.276 to conform; RETROACTIVE, in part.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB34 (BR963) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to tax credits for support provided to victims of domestic violence.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish an income tax credit for qualified contributions made to a domestic violence shelter or rape crisis center in this state; amend KRS 141.019 and 141.039 to disallow the deduction for charitable contributions if the income tax credit is claimed; create new sections of KRS Chapter 141 to establish an income tax credit for a taxpayer that rents a residential unit to a protected tenant and allow an income tax credit for the conversion of condemned property into a domestic violence shelter; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credits; and amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credits.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

SB35 (BR959)/CI - D. Yates, R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to exceptions to restrictions on maternal healthcare. Amend KRS 311.720, 311.7701, 311.781, and 311.787 to define terms; amend KRS 311.723, 311.727, 311.732, 311.735, 311.7706, and 311.782 to allow an abortion when there is a lethal fetal anomaly or the fetus is incompatible with sustained life outside the womb, or when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest and the fetus has not reached viability as determined in the good-faith medical judgment of the physician; amend KRS 311.782 to establish a rebuttable presumption that the physician complied with the requirements of the section; amend KRS 311.7735 to provide an exception to the time requirement for consent when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest; amend KRS 216B.400 to provide an exception for abortion counseling when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest; amend KRS 311.715 to authorize the use of public funds for abortion when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest; amend KRS 213.101, 311.725, 311.760, 311.7706, 311.772, 311.7735, 311.780, 311.783, 311.787, and 311.800 to conform; make technical corrections; provide that the Act may be cited as Hadley's Law.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### SB36 (BR966)/CI/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the possession of cannabis.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to guarantee the right of an individual 21 years of age or older to possess, use, buy, or sell one ounce or less of cannabis and to cultivate, harvest, and store up to five cannabis plants for personal use; for the production, processing, and sale of cannabis and cannabis-derived products to be controlled by the General Assembly; specify the question to be printed on the ballot; direct the Secretary of State to publish the proposed amendment in a newspaper of general circulation; direct the Secretary of State to certify the proposed amendment to the county clerk of each county.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

# SB37 (BR310)/LM - G. Elkins, M. Deneen, R. Mills

AN ACT relating to cremation of dead bodies.

Amend KRS 72.450 to allow a coroner who is in possession of an unclaimed dead body to have the body buried or cremated; direct that the decision between burial or cremation be made by the governmental entity bearing the expense.

#### SB37 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1/LM - Retain original provisions; require a coroner to be consulted before a government entity decides if an unclaimed dead body is required to be buried or cremated.

SFA1(L. Tichenor) - Specify that a local county coroner is the coroner who is to be consulted before a government entity decides if an unclaimed dead body is required to be buried or cremated; establish that if Jewish descent is known, that the Chabad of the Bluegrass, or any successor entity, be contacted by the appropriate government entity to inquire if the Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 07, 2025

Feb 07, 2025 - floor amendment adopted Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment adopted Floor Amendment (1); 3rd reading, passed 37-0-1 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB38 (BR298)/CI - G. Elkins, M. Deneen, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to school bus safety. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms: allow the use of camera monitoring systems on school buses operated by a school district, and allow the enforcement of a civil penalty for stop arm camera violations recorded by a camera monitoring system; set the amount of the civil penalty; provide that the revenue generated from a civil penalty shall be retained by the school district; allow a law enforcement agency to charge a fee of \$25 from every civil penalty enforced by the law enforcement agency; require specific notice for a stop arm camera violation; establish defenses to a violation; establish procedures for a contest to a violation; allow for suspension of motor vehicle registration for failure to timely pay a penalty; require a school district or law enforcement agency to notify the Transportation Cabinet of the need to release a motor vehicle registration suspension within one business day of payment; amend KRS 189.990 to increase the maximum fines for failing to stop for a school or church bus that is receiving or discharging passengers; amend KRS 189.370 to require traffic in the opposite direction of a school or church bus to stop for the bus on a highway that is not divided by an elevated barrier or unpaved median.

#### **SB38 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/CI - Retain original provisions, except remove the definition of "owner" and delete provisions that allowed a law enforcement agency to charge a fee of \$25 from every penalty enforced by the law enforcement agency from a stop arm camera violation; amend KRS 189.990 to increase the maximum fines for failing to stop for a school or church bus that is receiving or discharging passengers and direct the first \$300 of each penalty to the school district where the offense occurred for the specific purpose of purchasing, installing, and maintaining camera monitoring systems on school buses; amend KRS 186.763 to prohibit school districts from operating fully autonomous vehicles for transporting students; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; c Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

Chabad of the Bluegrass wants to pay for the burial expense.

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 05, 2025

## SB39 (BR304)/CI/LM - G. Elkins, K. Berg

AN ACT relating to animal fighting. Amend KRS 525.125 to define "animal fight" and remove the definition of "dog fight"; provide that a person is guilty of cruelty to animals in the first degree when he or she knowingly causes an animal to engage in an animal fight, participates in the organization or operation of an animal fight, is present at an animal fight, or allows a minor to attend an animal fight; provide that falconry authorized by a valid permit and hunting license shall not constitute a violation of this section; provide that cruelty to animals in the first degree is a Class A misdemeanor if a person is present at an animal fight or allows a minor to attend an animal fight; require the court to forfeit the animal that is the subject of the violation, terminate or limit a person's ability possess animals, and transfer the animal to the original owner or the county animal control officer; allow restitution to be ordered for the cost and care of an animal transferred to the original owner or the county animal control officer; amend KRS 525.130 and 436.610 to conform and make technical corrections.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB40 (BR373) - G. Neal

AN ACT relating to student journalist freedom.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to state legislative findings; define terms; establish additional free speech protections for student journalists; place limitations on additional protections; establish protections for student media advisors; require each local school board to adopt a written policy for time, place, and manner restrictions and for an appeals procedure; provide that student speech not be considered school speech; allow that a student journalist or student media advisor to seek injunctive relief; provide that the Act may be cited as the New Voices Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB41 (BR495)/FN - G. Neal, K. Herron

AN ACT relating to sickle cell disease. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to require each hospital licensed by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to establish policies and procedures to improve care for sickle cell disease patients, develop programs to prevent and address addiction risks for sickle cell disease patients, and provide patients with education and resources by January 1, 2026.

## SB42 (BR267) - G. Neal

AN ACT relating to music therapy. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 309 to define terms; establish a licensing board for professional music therapists; require three members of the board to have engaged in the practice or teaching of music therapy for at least three years; prohibit any persons not licensed by the board from holding himself or herself out as a licensed professional music therapist; authorize the board to promulgate administrative regulations; authorize the board to issue a license to practice music therapy; establish the process for license renewal, suspension, and revocation; establish fees for licensure; establish fee limitations; authorize the board to implement disciplinary actions; require a licensed professional music therapist to collaborate with a client's physician or other professional involved in the treatment of the client; require a licensed professional music therapist to collaborate with a client's mental health or substance use disorder professional involved in the treatment of the client; prohibit a licensed professional music therapist from replacing services provided by an audiologist or a speechlanguage pathologist; create the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Professional Music Therapists fund; establish a fine for violations; provide for initial board appointments.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09. 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

SB43 (BR110)/FN - D. Douglas, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, J. Higdon, A. Mays Bledsoe, B. Storm

AN ACT relating to operator's licenses.

Amend KRS 186.444 to create a medical review board for the purpose of considering a person's ability to drive due to a physical or mental disability; establish the number and qualifications of members; require the Transportation Cabinet consult with a medical professional licensed in the area relevant to the case; require the medical review board to accept the statement of a person's medical professional that the person does not have a condition that impairs his or her ability to operate a motor vehicle; amend KRS 186.570 to conform; amend KRS 131.1817 to remove the possible suspension of an operator's license for a person found to be a delinquent taxpayer.

## **SB43 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except establish that physicians authorized to practice medicine, osteopaths, optometrists, or advanced registered practice nurses are authorized to sit on the medical review board; authorize the medical review board to accept the statement of a person's medical professional that the person does not have a condition that impairs his or her ability to operate a motor vehicle.

Jan 09, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 07, 2025

Feb 07, 2025 - floor amendment adopted Committee Substitute (1); 3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## SB44 (BR383) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to fees. Amend KRS 453.060 to require the applicable court to order the Finance and Administration Cabinet to pay guardian ad litem and warning order attorney fees on behalf of an indigent person; amend KRS 23A.200 and 24A.170 to require the applicable court to order the Finance and Administration Cabinet to pay domestic relations commissioner fees on behalf of an indigent person.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

### SB45 (BR161) - C. Armstrong, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships. Amend KRS 164.7879 to increase the Kentucky educational excellence scholarship base amount for each eligible grade point average; increase the supplemental award amounts; require a supplemental award for eligible Cambridge Advanced International scores; amend KRS 164.7882 to increase the award amount for an eligible student enrolled in a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program; amend KRS 164.7874, 164.7881, 164.7884, and 164.7885 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB46 (BR210) - C. Armstrong, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to protective orders. Amend KRS 403.730, relating to petitions for orders of protection, to allow for service in accordance with Rule 4.05 of the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure in addition to personal service; amend KRS 403.745, relating to the effective date of protective orders, to allow for service in accordance with Rule 4.05 of the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure in addition to personal service; amend KRS 453.060 to direct that attorney's fees for a warning order attorney shall be paid by the Finance and Administration Cabinet; amend KRS 456.040, relating to petitions for interpersonal protective orders, to allow for service in accordance with Rule 4.05 of the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure in addition to personal service: amend KRS 456.070, relating to the effective date of interpersonal protective orders, to allow for service in accordance with Rule 4.05

of the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure in addition to personal service.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB47 (BR155) - C. Armstrong, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky child credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable Kentucky child credit for taxpayers with qualifying children under the age of six; authorize a maximum credit of \$1,000 per qualifying child for individuals with income below \$50,000 for single taxpayers and \$100,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly; provide that individuals with incomes above the specified thresholds may be eligible for a reduced child credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

SB48 (BR156) - C. Armstrong, S. Funke Frommeyer, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to school meals at low-income schools.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Proud School Match Program fund; establish the Kentucky Proud School Match Program: direct the Department of Education to reimburse an eligible school district \$0.33 for every meal reimbursed by the community eligibility provision at the paid rate; require a school district that receives a reimbursement to develop and implement a Kentucky Proud school plan to identify and purchase available Kentucky-grown agricultural products and to optimize food usage; direct the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to carry out this section; provide that the section shall be null and void if the community eligibility provision is terminated by the United States Department of Agriculture; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Proud School Match Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB49 (BR163)/LM - C. Armstrong, D. Yates

## AN ACT relating to heat injury prevention.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 338 to define terms; require employers who provide services in agriculture, construction, landscaping, and transportation to maintain a written heat illness prevention plan informing employees of policies and procedures to be followed when an employee is suffering from a heat illness; establish a penalty for a violation.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB50 (BR1918)** - R. Mills, A. Mays Bledsoe, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to special districts. Amend KRS 65.188 to make a technical corection.

#### SB50 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Delete original provisions; create new sections of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; establish the process for a local government to establish a residential infrastructure development district and for dissolution of a district; authorize a local government to issue bonds and other obligations to pay for infrastructure costs within a district; authorize a local government to collect special assessments on property within the district to pay for infrastructure costs and use special assessment revenue for administrative costs unless restricted; establish that the special assessment constitutes a lien, address lien priority, require delinquent property taxes to be paid prior to a special assessment, and allow for redemption of property sold as a result of delinquent payment of a special assessment; permit local governments to act jointly to establish and maintain a district.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S); 1st reading ; returned to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 33-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

## SB51 (BR235) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to workplace harassment.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 338 to define "political matters" and "religious matters"; require an employer to post notice of employees' rights; provide an employer shall not subject or threaten to subject any employee to discipline or discharge for refusal to attend employer-sponsored meetings to communicate employer's opinion concerning religious or political matters or listen to speech or view communications of which the primary purpose of which is to communicate the employer's religious or political matters; permit an employee to bring a civil action to enforce the provisions of this Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB52 (BR941) - C. Armstrong Feb 07-WITHDRAWN

SB53 (BR405) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to fees. Amend KRS 453.060 to require the on behalf of an indigent person; amend KRS 23A.200 and 24A.170 to require the court to order the Finance and Administration Cabinet to pay domestic relations commissioner fees on behalf of an indigent person.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB54 (BR262) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to expiration of protective orders.

Amend KRS 209A.122, relating to data tracking and dissemination, to require the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide the Criminal Justice Statistcal Analysis Center the number of protective orders rescinded under KRS 403.735 and 456.050; amend KRS 403.735 and 456.050, relating to the continuance of protective orders, to extend the time period for expiration from six months to 12 months.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB55 (BR157) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to guardian ad litem fees.

Amend KRS 403.100 to require a guardian ad litem that is appointed for any minor child in a dissolution or custody proceeding under KRS Chapter 403 be paid a reasonable fee fixed by the court and paid by the Finance and Administration Cabinet when the respondent and petitioner have an active order of protection and both parties are indigent.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB56 (BR263) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to court proceedings on petitions for order of protection. Amend KRS 403.735, relating to continuance of an emergency protective order, to allow the petitioner to be excused from future court appearances until the respondent has been served; amend KRS 456.050, relating to continuance of an interpersonal protective order, to allow the petitioner to be excused from future court appearances until the respondent has been served.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB57 (BR998) - S. Meredith, K. Berg, D. Carroll, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to funding health care services from increased penalties for speeding violations.

Amend KRS 189.010 to define "super speeder"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to assess a fee of \$200 to any person convicted as a super payment of fee imposed; require that money from fees be deposited into the Kentucky trauma care system fund, the emergency medical services education grant fund, the school AED fund, and the Bentley rural hospital preservation fund; require the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the fees; create a new section of KRS Chapter 311A to establish an emergency medical services education grant fund and program; allow the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the grant fund; amend KRS 211.496 to set forth how money from the trauma care system fund is to be used; amend KRS 154.20-190 to rename the rural hospital operations and facilities revolving loan fund the Bentley rural hospital preservation fund and require priority be given to providing loans to hospitals in counties that lack a rural hospital; amend KRS 158.1622 to provide that the school AED fund receives money from super speeder fees; amend KRS 186.440 and 189.394 to conform.

#### **SB57 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except set the super speeder limit at more than 25 miles per hour over the posted speed; assess a fee of \$50 and require the suspension of driving privileges if payment of the fee imposed is not made within 90 days of being convicted as a super speeder; amend KRS 311A.024 to provide that the emergency medical services education grant fund receives money from super speeder fees; make technical corrections.

SFA1(G. Williams) - Make title amendment.

SFA2(G. Williams) - Retain original provisions; require that a hospital with a Level I, II, or III trauma center be granted a nonsubstantive review of an application for certificate of need to establish a new hospital. SFA3(S. Meredith) - Change terminology to conform with criminal penalty terminology; remove the \$50 failure to pay fee; remove the suspension of operator's license penalty; remove requirement that the Transportation Cabinet promulgate administrative regulations; provide that fines shall be paid into the State Treasury; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 10, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); Floor amendment (1-title) filed to bill, Floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 20, 2025 - floor amendment (3) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading ; Floor Amendment (2) and Floor Amendment (1-title) withdrawn; passed 32-1-2 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (3)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in House ; to

AN ACT relating to designating a special needs trust to receive stateadministered retirement benefits.

Amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to define "special needs trust" (SNT) for purposes of the State Police Retirement System, Kentucky Employees Retirement System, and County Employees Retirement System; amend the definition of "person" to include a SNT, and amend the definition of "beneficiary" to exclude sole beneficiary of a SNT; amend KRS 16.578 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement benefit; amend KRS 61.623 to allow a trustee to receive checks on behalf of a SNT; amend KRS 61.635 to allow a person who is the beneficiary of a SNT to be designated as the beneficiary of a lifetime retirement benefit: require the trustee of a SNT to notify the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority (KPPA) upon the death of the beneficiary of a SNT and repay any payment not properly payable to the SNT; allow KPPA to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the SNT provisions; amend KRS 61.640 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement payment if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 78.5532 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement benefit if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 161.525, relating to the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime annuity if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 161.640 to allow checks to be sent by mail to the trustee of a SNT; require the trustee to notify the TRS upon the death of the beneficiary; require any payments not properly payable to the SNT to be repaid to TRS; allow TRS to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the SNT provisions; amend KRS 161.700 to require TRS to assign annuity payments to a SNT, issue payments to the trustee, and prevent annuity payments from being used to reimburse any state for any Medicaid benefits paid on behalf of the beneficiary of a SNT; amend KRS 21.420, relating to the Judicial Retirement Plan, to allow for a SNT to be selected as a beneficiary, and define "special needs trust"; amend KRS 21.425 to allow a member to designate a SNT to receive lifetime survivorship benefits on behalf of a surviving spouse, dependent child, or disabled child.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 05, 2025

## SB59 (BR258) - J. Higdon, G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to affordable housing.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to allow religious institutions to develop affordable housing without submission to review by a planning unit

court to order the Finance and Administration Cabinet to pay guardian ad litem and warning order attorney fees speeder; assess a fee of \$50 and require the suspension of driving privileges for not making a timely Committee on Committees (H)

SB58 (BR938)/AA - R. Webb, D. Carroll

if the development is approved by a local government.

## SB59 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; include a requirement that the property where a development is to be located to have been purchased by the religious institution prior to January 1, 2025.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 10, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Feb 11, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-3 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB60 (BR34)** - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor, D. Douglas, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Mills, M. Nunn, A. Reed, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to restoring religious liberty.

Amend KRS 446.350 to define terms; outline appropriate relief if the statute is violated; apply to laws adopted before or after the effective date; include severability clause; waive sovereign and governmental immunity.

## **SB60 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove claims for injunctive relief, declaratory relief, and compensatory damages; establish that exclusively for purposes of this Act, sovereign and governmental immunity are waived.

SFA1(K. Herron) - Retain original provisions, except establish that the statute shall not apply to any provision or implementation of state or local laws, administrative regulations, or ordinances that require protections against discrimination.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 10, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading ; floor amendment defeated Floor Amendment (1) ; passed 29-7 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB61 (BR1111)/FN - C. Richardson, G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to swimming pools. Amend KRS 211.203 to exempt pools that share a plat with a single-family residence that are rented to guests by the owner of the residence from regulation as public pools.

Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 11, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 Feb 12, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0

Feb 13, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB62 (BR125)/CI/FN** - S. Rawlings, G. Boswell, S. Funke Frommeyer, A. Reed, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to geoengineering. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 512 to make findings and declarations regarding the dangers of atmospheric polluting activities and the Commonwealth's authority to prohibit geoengineering; define terms; make criminal atmospheric pollution a Class D felony; require that a person found guilty of criminal atmospheric pollution pay a civil penalty of not less than \$500,000 in addition to all other penalties authorized by law; provide that each day that a person engages in criminal atmospheric pollution constitutes a separate offense; empower all peace officers of the Commonwealth to enforce the provisions of the section; require the arresting officer to issue a notice to the appropriate federal agency that those activities cannot be lawfully carried out in the Commonwealth.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 10, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

**SB63 (BR972)/FN/LM** - B. Storm, D. Douglas, S. Madon, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, C. Richardson, B. Smith, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to street-legal special purpose vehicles.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 186 to define "special purpose vehicle" and "street-legal special purpose vehicle"; allow street-legal special purpose vehicles to operate on a highway under certain circumstances; prohibit street-legal special purpose vehicles from traveling a distance greater than 20 miles on a highway displaying centerline pavement markings; require street-legal special purpose vehicles to register the vehicle and comply with all requirements of KRS Chapter 186; direct the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 186.020 and 186.050 to conform

## SB63 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except to redefine "street-legal special purpose vehicle" to require it be equipped with a roll bar or roll cage seatbelts as required by federal motor vehicle safety standards and to exclude vehicles primarily engaged in farm or agricultural activities; change the registration fee for a street-legal special purpose vehicle to \$10; require streetlegal special purpose vehicles be inspected by a certified inspector prior to special purpose vehicles at \$25.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

**SB64 (BR1112)/CI/LM** - B. Storm, M. Deneen, G. Elkins, S. Madon, G. Neal, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to key infrastructure assets and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 511.100 to include cable, telephone, and broadband facilities; amend KRS 512.020 to include damaging or taking possession of a key infrastructure asset.

#### **SB64 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions; add emergency clause; EMERGENCY. SFA1(B. Storm) - Make title amendment.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment (1-title) filed

Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 11, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Feb 12, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1-title)

Feb 13, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## **SB65 (BR1241)** - S. West, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to deficient administrative regulations and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 13A to nullify two administrative regulations relating to Medicaid services after those administrative regulations were found deficient during the 2024 legislative interim; EMERGENCY.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - passed over and

retained in the Orders of the Day Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

37-0 Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB66 (BR216) - G. Elkins, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to local school boards.

Amend KRS 160.180 to remove the

interested in sales for which school funds are expended: prohibit employees of the board from being eligible for local school board membership; remove prohibition that a local school board candidate have no relative employed by the district; provide that board members may be removed from office after election for becoming an employee of the board, failure to abstain from board votes in which they have an interest, or for violation of the board's code of ethics; amend KRS 160.290 to require each local school board to create a board code of ethics; provide that a code of ethics cannot prohibit relatives of board members from being employed by the school district.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Education (S)

**SB67 (BR1131)/FN/LM** - M. Nemes, J. Adams, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, B. Smith, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, P. Wheeler, D. Yates

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt for homeowners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of their permanent residence and contiguous real property that is assessed after the later of the year the homeowner turned 65 or the year the homeowner purchased the property; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemption to increases in valuation that occur after the date the amendment is ratified by the voters; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

- Feb 04, 2025 to State & Local Government (S)
- Feb 12, 2025 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 19, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for

Thursday, February 20, 2025 Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 32-3

Feb 21, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB68 (BR28) - S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 158.645 to change the required learning capacities of Kentucky public school students; amend KRS 158.6451 to provide that schools shall expect a high level of academic achievement and shall develop students' ability to think critically and independently; amend KRS 156.010 to include career and technical education; amend KRS 160.345 to remove the reporting requirement relating to physical activity of students; amend KRS 157.065

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 10, 2025 - to Veterans, Military submission of an application for title; amend KRS 186A.115 to conform and to set the inspection fee for street-legal definition of "relative"; remove prohibition for local school board eligibility for individuals directly or indirectly to remove the reporting requirement relating to participation in breakfast programs; amend KRS 424.250 to reflect that school boards are tax levying authorities and do not file budgets with the county clerk; require district budgets to be published in the same manner as school financial reports; repeal KRS 157.061 and 158.856.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB69 (BR426) - R. Webb, J. Howell

AN ACT relating to allied animal health professional licenses.

Amend KRS 321.181 to define terms; create new sections of KRS Chapter 321 to establish new allied animal health professional licenses for equine dentistry and animal chiropractic practice; create the allied animal health professional advisory board; amend KRS 321.187 regarding retention of original patient records; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 321 to conform.

## SB69 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; amend legacy candidate language; remove administration of medication from AAHP equine dental provider services; make technical corrections.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 36-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

## SB70 (BR39)/LM - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to heirs property. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 381 to enact the Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act; define terms, including "heirs property"; create a mechanism for partition or sale among cotenants by the court; create requirements for notice and determination of value through agreement or appraisal; create protocol for buyouts, partition alternatives, partition in kind, sale by open market, sealed bids, or auction; create the heirs property research fund; amend KRS 324B.050 to authorize the Kentucky Real Estate Authority to promulgate administrative regulations to issue grants from the fund; amend KRS 64.012 to increase the recording and indexing fee collected by county clerks by \$1 and to direct those additional fees to the heirs property research fund; amend KRS 381.135 and 389A.030 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB71 (BR264)** - G. Boswell, P. Wheeler, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. Nemes, M.

Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to public library district boards of trustees. Amend KRS 173.490 and 173.730 to allow a county judge/executive to appoint members to a public library board of trustees and fill vacancies with the approval of the fiscal court and without consultation with the previous board members or the Department for Libraries and Archives.

## SB71 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except allow a library board to make one recommendation rather than two to the judge/executive regarding appointments to a library board; allow the judge/executive to appoint an individual of his or her choosing if the recommendation is rejected and the alternative procedure has been adopted; allow for the same process to be used regarding recommendations from the state librarian and commissioner to fill vacancies.

SFA1(G. Boswell) - Delete Sections 1 and 2 of the Act in their entirety and reinsert sections amending KRS 173.490 and 173.730 to allow the county judge/executive to make appointments to a library board after considering one recommendation from the board.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 21-11-1 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

## SB72 (BR265) - G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to hunter education. Amend KRS 150.170 to prohibit the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife from imposing a hunter education requirement for a person over 18 years of age to obtain a hunting or fishing license or permit and deletes provisions regarding live fire exercises.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

**SB73 (BR986)/CI/LM** - J. Adams, K. Berg, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, R. Mills, G. Neal, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to sexual extortion. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 531 to establish the crime of sexual extortion as a felony; provide for enhancements to penalties; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to of "sex crime"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require

superintendents of local school districts to notify students in grades four and above and parents and guardians of all students of the crime of sexual extortion; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require local school boards to display posters in schools with the definition of sexual extortion and contact information for entities offering assistance to victims; amend KRS 164.2518 to require postsecondary institutions to display posters with the definition of sexual extortion and contact information for entities offering assistance to victims in residential facilities and buildings containing instructional spaces, student services, or academic support services.

## SB73 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(J. Adams) - Retain original provisions, except to limit sexual extortion to sexual demands when the threat is of a non-sexual nature; classify sexual extortion as a Class A misdemeanor; provide for enhancements to penalty; provide that where the victim has attempted or committed suicide within 90 days of the offense, a prosecution for criminal homicide under KRS Chapter 507 or assault under KRS Chapter 508 may be commenced; provide that written notice of sexual extortion by principals to students in grades 4 and above must be age appropriate; limit display of posters in public school buildings to those containing instructional spaces for students in grades 6 through 12.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 11, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Feb 12, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## SB74 (BR287)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Herron, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to coverage of annual mental health wellness examinations.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require certain health insurance policies to provide coverage for an annual mental health wellness examination; require the coverage to be no less extensive than coverage for medical and surgical benefits, comply with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, and not to be subject to any costsharing requirements; amend KRS 164.2871, 205.522, 205.6485, and 18A.225 to require self-insured employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, Medicaid, the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program, and the state

mental health wellness examination requirement to limited health service contracts; state purpose of the Act; direct that provisions apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the section; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to seek federal approval if it determines that such approval is necessary; provide that Section 1 may be cited as the Kentucky Act in Support of Annual Mental Health Wellness Exams; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

SB75 (BR1788)/CI/LM - A. Reed, G. Boswell, J. Carpenter, S. Funke Frommeyer, J. Howell, S. Madon, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, B. Smith, R. Stivers, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, S. West, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to concealed deadly weapons.

Amend KRS 237.109 to lower the age requirement for carrying a concealed and deadly weapon from 21 to 18; amend KRS 237.110 to conform; make technical corrections.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB76 (BR842) - G. Elkins

AN ACT relating to contracts for the improvement of real estate.

Amend KRS 371.160 to increase the threshold for the creation of escrow accounts for real estate improvement contracts from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000; amend KRS 371.405 to prohibit the waiver by contract of any provision of KRS 371.160.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

- Feb 04, 2025 to Economic
- Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
- Feb 07, 2025 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular
- Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February
- 11, 2025 Feb 11, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed
- 37-0

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB77 (BR1353) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the Education Professional Standards Board.

Amend KRS 161.028 to allow for a designee of the chief academic officer of an independent not-for-profit college or university to serve as a member of the Education Professional Standards Board.

## SB77 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Amend KRS 161.028 to allow the head of an educator preparation program of an independent, nonprofit

establish a civil cause of action for sexual extortion; amend KRS 17.500 to include sexual extortion in the definition employee health plan to comply with the mental health coverage requirement; amend KRS 304.17C-125 to apply the college or university to serve as a member of the Education Professional Standards Board.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 36-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Postsecondary

Education (H)

SB78 (BR160) - C. Armstrong, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to a sales and use tax exemption for diapers. Amend KRS 139.010 to define "diaper"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt all diapers from the sales and use tax.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB79 (BR935) - C. McDaniel

AN ACT relating to state personnel. Amend KRS 18A.005 to define "intern employee" and "intern position"; amend KRS 18A.050 to require a member of the Personnel Board to vacate his or her position or have the board terminate his or her position if he or she separates from the classified service; amend KRS 18A.0751 to no longer require the Personnel Board to promulgate administrative regulations pertaining to employee fines or employee reemployment after a layoff; amend KRS 18A.110 to allow the secretary of the Personnel Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to implement scholarship programs, internship programs, education programs, and educational assistance programs for employees; allow the secretary of the Personnel Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations for the classified service governing layoffs, furloughs, and reduction of hours to include, but not be limited to reemployment of laid-off employees; amend KRS 18A.113 to provide that in the same department or office, county, and job classification, intern, interim and probationary employees shall be terminated before full-time and part-time employees with status are laid off; amend KRS 18A.115 to permit members and employees of boards and commissions exempt from the classified service to employ staff subject to the provisions of KRS 18A.005 to 18A.200, 18A.202, and 18A.203; exempt juvenile institution superintendents from the classified service; amend KRS 18A.125 to require all agencies and employees for which the Personnel Cabinet administers payroll to comply with the secretary's payroll administration; prohibit an executive branch agency for which the cabinet administers payroll from authorizing work performance outside of the Commonwealth without approval from the secretary: allow an

expressly authorized in writing and does not reduce the employee's pay below the federal minimum wage; amend KRS 18A.135 to direct when reemployment rights expire; amend KRS 18A.197 and 18A.203 to permit an employee who has provided proper notice of resignation or retirement to transfer all or part of their remaining sick or annual leave balance even if they have accumulated under 75 hours of sick or annual leave; amend KRS 18A.035, 18A.095, 18A.100, 18A.355, 132.370, and 163.032 to conform and make technical corrections.

## SB79 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(L. Tichenor) - Retain original provisions, except create a new section in KRS Chapter 61 to prohibit any employee of the executive, judicial, or legislative branches of state government from teleworking unless an emergency is declared; define terms; allow the secretary of the Personnel Cabinet, director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, or director of the Legislative Research Commission, as appropriate, to approve a policy to allow for up to two telework days per month for certain employees; require that any telework day used in a declared emergency be counted toward the monthly telework day allowance; provide exceptions to certain employees; require compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. HFA1(J. Tipton) - Retain original provisions, except delete Section 1 in its entirety; require the Personnel Cabinet to submit a report on telework policies to the Interim Joint Committee on State Government and Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue by December 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 14, 2025

Feb 14, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 18, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day Feb 19, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day ; floor

amendment (1) filed Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

25-10 with Floor Amendment (1) Feb 21, 2025 - received in House ; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

## SB80 (BR222) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to a veterinary medicine program at Murray State University.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Murray State University to offer doctor's degrees required for professional practice and licensure in veterinary medicine.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Education (S)

SB81 (BR889) - R. Thomas

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to authorize local governments regulating short-term rentals.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB82 (BR890) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to the regulation of recovery residences and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 222.504 and 222.506 to require that recovery residences be inspected at least annually by state or local officials capable of ensuring compliance with all state and local zoning, building code, and fire safety laws, administrative regulations, and ordinances and establish maximum occupancy standards for recovery residences; amend KRS 222.510 to permit local governments to require an individual or entity seeking to establish a recovery residence to provide notice up to six months in advance to all property owners within 1,000 feet of the property on which the recovery residence will be located; EMERGENCY.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

SB83 (BR1194) - M. Wilson, G. Boswell, R. Mills, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to KEES scholarships for students attending noncertified schools.

Amend KRS 164.7874 to include an equivalent score on the Classic Learning Test as a KEES supplemental amount; define "eligible noncertified school graduate"; amend definitions of "KEES award," "KEES award maximum," and " KEES base amount" for an eligible noncertified school graduate; amend KRS 164.7879 to establish an equivalent grade point average for eligible noncertified school graduates based on the graduate's ACT score; amend KRS 164.7881 and 164.7884 to conform.

## SB83 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove an equivalent score on the Classic Learning Test from the definition of "ACT score."

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to

Committee on Committees (H)

## **SB84 (BR209)** - S. Rawlings, S. Funke Frommeyer, M. Nunn, A. Reed, L. Tichenor, P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to judicial review of state agency action.

446 to establish the legal standard for judicial review of agency action; amend KRS 13B.150 to conform.

## **SB84 - AMENDMENTS**

SFA1(R. Thomas) - Retain original provisions, except permit a court to give reasonable consideration to an agency's interpretation of a statute, regulation, order, or decision.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading; Floor Amendment (1) defeated; passed 28-6 Feb 19, 2025 - received in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H); to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

SB85 (BR486) - S. Meredith, S. Funke Frommeyer

AN ACT relating to offices within the Auditor of Public Accounts and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 43.010 to define "deputy auditor" and "ombudsman"; amend KRS 43.030 to replace references to "assistant auditor" with "deputy auditor"; amend KRS 43.035 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to provide information on contacting the Commonwealth Office of the Ombudsman at all Department for Community Based Services offices; require ombudsman to maintain confidentiality; authorize the ombudsman to promulgate administrative regulations; establish that expenses incurred by ombudsman shall be charged to the entity that is the subject of the ombudsman's work; amend KRS 43.040 to replace references to "assistant auditor" with "deputy auditor"; amend KRS 43.080 to make technical correction; require all state agencies to provide the Auditor of Public Accounts with access software; amend KRS 43.090 to establish ombudsman's reporting and recommendation requirements, require the Auditor to maintain confidentiality; amend KRS 43.990 to make technical corrections; create new sections of KRS Chapter 43 to establish the organizational structure of the Auditor's office; require employees and contract staff of the Auditor to submit to state and federal criminal background checks; permit the Auditor to enroll employees and contract staff in the rap back system; create a new section of KRS Chapter 194A to require the cabinet to provide contact information of the ombudsman on its website; require the cabinet to provide the ombudsman with read-only access to group email inboxes; amend KRS 620.050 to authorize the ombudsman to receive

reports of suspected child abuse, neglect, or dependency from the cabinet; permit disclosure of files, reports, and other documents used by a children's advocacy center to the ombudsman;

agency to request the secretary deduct certain items from an employee's final paycheck so long as the deduction is

AN ACT relating to short-term rentals.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

permit the ombudsman to report deidentified data otherwise required to be made confidential; require the cabinet to transfer control of a specific phone number to the ombudsman and to bear all costs associated with the transfer; EMERGENCY.

## SB85 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(A. Gentry) - Retain original provisions, except relocate the Commonwealth Office of the Ombudsman from the Auditor of Public Accounts to the Cabinet for General Government.

HFA2(A. Gentry) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 42.0147 to require the Office of the Inspector General to conduct an annual audit of the Commonwealth Office of the Ombudsman.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 13, 2025

- Feb 13, 2025 3rd reading, passed 33-4
- Feb 14, 2025 received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendments (1) and (2) filed

## SB86 (BR1128) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to waste tires. Amend KRS 224.50-854 to remove the exemption for a person who stores waste tires for resale from the requirements of the waste tire program; amend KRS 224.50-856 to allow a person making retail sales of used motor vehicles tires to be eligible for the same accumulator registration exemption as sellers of new motor vehicle tires; amend KRS 224.50-858 to require nonexempt sellers of new or used motor vehicle tires to register and be subject to the requirements of the waste tire program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB87 (BR1390)/FN - S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to aviation. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 183 to allow an air board that operates a commercial airport serving more than 1,000,000 passengers annually to utilize small purchase procedures established by the Federal Aviation Administration for purchases that do not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold identified in 2 C.F.R. sec. 200.88 and to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who maintain agreements with the General Services Administration; exempt these transactions from the 183.525, regarding the Kentucky aviation economic development fund, to allow commercial airports to receive awards from the fund and require the Transportation Cabinet to report annually to the General Assembly through the Legislative Research Commission on expenditures from the fund; amend KRS 189.990 to increase monetary penalties for violations of the chapter; amend KRS 183.011, 183.012, and 183.120 to make technical corrections; repeal KRS 183.085, regarding an unmanned aviation facility map for commercial airports.

## SB87 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except exempt qualified transactions from the requirements of KRS 45A.345 to 45A.460 and 424.260 only for purchases identified in KRS 82.084: amend KRS 82.084 to conform; amend KRS 183.525 to remove proposed language to allow commercial airports to receive awards from the Kentucky aviation economic development fund; amend KRS 189.990 to restore previously deleted language regarding penalties for violations of KRS 183.886; direct the Council on Postsecondary Education, in coordination with the Transportation Cabinet, to conduct a study to identify the procedures and resources necessary to establish a program at a public postsecondary education institution leading to a credential recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration for employment within the field of air traffic control or air traffic safety, to identify the public postsecondary education institutions with the capacity to support a program, to notify the president and governing bodies of the identified institutions, and to evaluate the potential for a Federal Aviation Administration Academy to be established at a public postsecondary education institution; require the approval and establishment of a program at a public postsecondary education institution by June 30, 2026.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 11, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

21, 2025 Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 35-1 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 25, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

**SB88 (BR1314)** - L. Tichenor, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to physician assistants.

Amend KRS 311.840 to define terms; amend KRS 311.842, 311.848, 311.850 311.862, 202A.011, 202C.010, 216B.175, and 600.020 to change references to "supervising physician" to "collaborating physician" to conform; amend KRS 311.858 to list the services an appropriate licensed physician as indicated by the patient's condition and the standard of care; create a new section of KRS Chapter 311 to establish requirements for a collaboration agreement between a collaborating physician and a physician assistant; amend KRS 218A.202 to conform; repeal KRS 311.854, 311.856, and 311.860, relating to supervising physicians.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S)

**SB89 (BR1264)** - S. Madon, B. Smith, G. Boswell, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Mills, M. Nunn, C. Richardson, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to environmental protection and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 224.1-010 to change the definition of "water" or "waters of the Commonwealth"; amend KRS 224.1-300 to provide that the definitions contained therein only apply to KRS 224.1-300 and 224.1-310; amend KRS 350.010 to define "long-term treatment"; amend KRS 350.060 to establish the means of calculating the additional bond amount required for a permit or permit increment for which the Energy and Environment Cabinet determines longterm treatment is required: EMERGENCY.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

14, 2025 Feb 14, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

30-5 Feb 18, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

## SB90 (BR335) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to children. Amend KRS 158.1415 to remove provisions related to parental rights and courses, curriculums, or programs on human sexuality; provide for a process for parents to opt out of their child receiving instruction on the subject of human sexuality; amend KRS 158.191 to remove language limiting Kentucky Board of Education or Department of Education policies regarding student confidential information and the use of pronouns; require a local school district to use pronouns for students upon a request from a parent along with a note from a medical provider diagnosing the child with gender dysphoria; remove language concerning parental consent for well-being questionnaires or assessments or a health screening; amend KRS 158.189 to make findings about children and young adults desiring individual privacy; require a school to

rooms, and shower rooms, regardless of biological sex or gender identity; require school officials to provide an accommodation for individual privacy for children whose gender is different from his or her biological sex and who have a note from a medical provider diagnosing the child with gender dysphoria; permit alternate accommodations upon the parent's request; amend KRS 311.372 to prohibit surgical or medical treatment of a child under the age of 18 years for gender dysphoria, and any nonsurgical medical treatment without the consent of the child's parent or legal guardian; require that the provision of nonsurgical medical treatment to a child under the age of 18 years apply only to a child with a medical diagnosis from a mental health care provider and by a trained and experienced health care provider in collaboration with a clinical psychologist or psychiatrist using only appropriate nonsurgical medical treatments approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for adolescents and that meet evidence-based medical standards.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Education (S)

SB91 (BR336) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to peace officer training.

Amend KRS 15.334 to require law enforcement training on suicide prevention and intervention.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB92 (BR333) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to confiscated firearms.

Amend KRS 16.220 to permit the destruction of confiscated firearms; require destruction if the firearm was used in the commission of a violent offense; amend KRS 500.090 and 500.093 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SB93 (BR82)/AA/FN/HM/LM/SP - K. Berg, D. Carroll, S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to coverage for hearing loss.

Amend KRS 304.17A-132 to modify coverage requirements for hearing aids and related services; amend KRS 304.17A-131 to modify coverage requirements for cochlear implants; amend KRS 205.522, 205.6485, 164.2871, and 18A.225 to require Medicaid, KCHIP, self-insured employer group plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, and the state employee health plan to comply with the coverage requirements for hearing aids and related services and cochlear implants; provide that various sections

requirements of KRS 45A.345 to 45A.460 and 424.260; amend KRS 82.084 to conform; amend KRS a physician assistant may provide, and require a physician assistant to consult and collaborate with or refer a patient to provide an accommodation to any student who requests an area of individual privacy in restrooms, locker apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; establish construction of certain provisions for purposes of federal law and require state officials to comply; require the Department of Insurance to determine whether the coverage requirements for hearing aids and related services or cochlear implants would be in addition to essential health benefits required under federal law; require the Department of Insurance and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to obtain federal waivers or approval, if necessary; EFFECTIVE, January 1, 2026.

#### **SB93 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/AA/HM/LM/SP - Retain original provisions, except delete coverage requirement for hearing aids and related services for adults; require the minimum coverage amount per hearing aid to be at least \$2,500; require the commissioner to consult with the Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing when establishing a minimum coverage amount per hearing aid; modify the amount that an insured may pay for a higher priced hearing aid; establish network adequacy requirements relating to pediatric audiologists.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (S);

reassigned to Health Services (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

## SB94 (BR337)/LM - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to conversion therapy.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to define terms; direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (cabinet) to prohibit the direct or indirect use of state and federal funds for the practice of conversion therapy on minors; require state agencies to report providers engaged in conversion therapy efforts with a minor to the appropriate professional certification or licensing board; require the cabinet to update relevant policies and procedures to reflect the prohibition of conversion therapy on minors and to convey the dangers of conversion therapy to minors; require state agencies that regulate or pay for medical and mental health services to explore actions they can take to protect minors from conversion therapy; allow professional certification and licensing boards to discipline practitioners that engage in or refer minors for conversion therapy.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

## SB95 (BR334)/LM - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to the forensic processing of firearms.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to require law enforcement agencies to transmit information to national law Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SB96 (BR269)/CI/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle racing.

Amend KRS 189.505, relating to motor vehicle racing, to prohibit knowingly promoting, organizing, or facilitating a motor vehicle race upon any street or highway; amend KRS 189.993 to establish enhanced penalties for a violation of KRS 189.505, including vehicle impoundment, driver's license suspension, and forfeiture of a motor vehicle; amend KRS 186.560, relating to driver's license suspension for violations of various penal and traffic laws, to provide that a person with a second or subsequent violation of KRS 189.505 shall be subject to suspension of his or her driver's license.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

**SB97 (BR200)** - D. Yates, L. Tichenor, C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to human trafficking. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to define terms; provide a nonprofit human trafficking victim service provider with standing to pursue a civil action against a trafficker; establish notice requirements; delineate damages that may be sought; provide for distribution of any award received.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB98 (BR1407)/CI - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to the abolition of the death penalty.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to abolish the death penalty and replace it with life imprisonment without parole for inmates presently sentenced to death; amend KRS 532.030 to remove the death penalty; amend KRS 640.040 to prohibit life imprisonment without benefit of parole for a juvenile offender convicted of a capital offense; amend KRS 640.010 to define "serious intellectual disability" and "significant subaverage general intellectual functioning"; amend KRS 422.285, 532.050, 532.100, and 533.010 to conform; repeal KRS 431.213, 431.2135, 431.218, 431.220, 431.223, 431.224, 431.240, 431.250, 431.260, 431.270, 507A.060, 532.025, 532.075, 532.130, 532.135, 532.140, 532.300, 532.305, and 532.309.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB99 (BR205) - D. Douglas, J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to operating a motor vehicle.

Amend KRS 189.292 to define "operating a motor vehicle" and "use" or amend KRS 189.294 to prohibit persons under 18 years of age from using a personal communication device while operating a motor vehicle; amend KRS 189.990 to establish penalties for violation of KRS 189.292 and 189.294; amend KRS 186.560 to set forth a 90day revocation period for a violation of KRS 189.294; amend KRS 189.2327 to conform.

## **SB99 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except allow the use of a global positioning system feature of a personal communication device and allow the use of a global positioning or navigation system that is physically or electronically integrated into a motor vehicle. SFA1(D. Douglas) - Amend KRS 189.292 to define "use" or "uses"; establish exceptions: amend KRS 186.560 to set forth a 60-day operator's license revocation period for a violation of KRS 189.294; allow first-time offenders who attend and complete a driver improvement clinic within 30 days of the date of conviction to have their license reinstated early. SFA2(D. Douglas) - Amend KRS 189.292 to define "use" or "uses"; establish exceptions; amend KRS 186.560 to set forth a 60-day operator's license revocation period for a violation of KRS 189.294; allow first-time offenders who attend and complete a driver improvement clinic within 30 days of the date of conviction to have their license reinstated early.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 21, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 26, 2025 - floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute

# **SB100 (BR261)/FN** - J. Higdon, G. Elkins, S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to tobacco, nicotine, or vapor product licensure.

Amend KRS 438.305 to define terms; create new sections of KRS 438.305 to 438.350 to create the Division of Tobacco, Nicotine, and Vapor Product Licensing within the Department of Beverage Control; give the department investigators the authority to inspect any premise where alternative nicotine products, tobacco products, or vapor products are sold without obtaining a search warrant; require any retailer that sells alternative nicotine products, tobacco products, or vapor products to obtain a tobacco, nicotine, and vapor products license issued by the department; establish penalties for retailers that sell alternative nicotine products, tobacco products, or vapor products without a license; establish conditions under which a license may be revoked; amend KRS 438.310 to establish penalties for retailers and store clerks who sell to individuals under the age of 21; amend KRS 438.313 to prohibit a distributor from distributing

prohibit a distributor from distributing alternative nicotine products, tobacco products, or vapor products to any retailer that has been placed on the tobacco noncompliance database and reporting system; amend KRS 438.337 to allocate 100% of license and application fees to the department; allocate 50% of fines collected to go toward a youth program that educates the youth on the dangers of vaping and tobacco use; require the department to develop and maintain the noncompliance database and reporting system; amend KRS 438.340 to direct the department to promulgate administrative regulations to establish a procedure for administering citations, issuing orders, and filing appeals; amend KRS 438.350 to establish conditions upon which a person under the age of 21 may be required to perform community service or attend a tobacco cessation program; amend various sections of KRS to conform.

**SB100 - AMENDMENTS** 

SCS1 - Retain original provisions except remove nicotine provisions from the definition of "safe harbor certification;" prohibit a wholesaler from providing vapor products to an unlicensed retailer; allow a licensee to request a hearing after the revocation of a license within 30 days; remove references of the tobacco noncompliance database and reporting system; direct the department to make a list of licensees available on its website; amend fines for retailers that sell unauthorized vapor products; direct the Department for Public Health to administer a youth program that targets the dangers of vapor products. SFA1(J. Higdon) - Retain original provisions and fine a retail sales clerk \$100 for the second and third offense of selling an unauthorized vapor product. SFA2(J. Higdon) - Retain original provision remove the safe harbor provision for retailers. SFA3(C. McDaniel) - Make title amendment.

SFA4(C. McDaniel) - Retain original provisions and require each citation for selling unauthorized vapor products to be specific to the premises of the retail establishment where the violation occurred; exempt a retailer of vapor products that are not intended for sale from being penalized for possessing unauthorized vapor products; prohibit a retail establishment from selling nitrous oxide to persons under 21 years of age; prohibit a retailer that holds a tobacco, nicotine, or vapor product license from selling any form of nitrous oxide; establish penalties for retailers that sell nitrous oxide.

SFA5(J. Higdon) - Retain original provisions; remove safe harbor requirement for retailers; remove penalties for a retail store clerk who sells unauthorized vapor products; prohibit the sale of nitrous oxide to anyone under the age of 21; prohibit the sale of nitrous oxide to any retail establishment that holds a tobacco, nicotine, or vapor product license issued by the department; amend to conform.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

enforcement databases about firearms collected during criminal investigations.

"uses"; prohibit the use of a personal communication device while operating a motor vehicle; establish exceptions; alternative nicotine products, tobacco products, or vapor products to any retailer whose license has been revoked; Feb 12, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S) Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 21, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day; floor amendment (4) filed to Committee Substitute, floor amendment (3-title) filed to bill

Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (5) filed to Committee Substitute ; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 26, 2025 - floor amendment withdrawn Floor Amendments (1) and (2); 3rd reading; floor amendment withdrawn Floor Amendment (4); passed 33-3 with Committee Substitute (1), Floor Amendment (5) and Floor Amendment (3-title)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB101 (BR1043)/CI - G. Neal, K. Berg

AN ACT relating to the abolition of the death penalty.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to abolish the death penalty and replace it with life imprisonment without parole for inmates presently sentenced to death; amend KRS 532.030 to remove the death penalty; amend KRS 640.040 to prohibit life imprisonment without benefit of parole for a juvenile offender convicted of a capital offense; amend KRS 640.010 to define "serious intellectual disability" and "significant subaverage general intellectual functioning"; amend KRS 422.285, 532.050, 532.100, and 533.010 to conform; repeal KRS 431.213, 431.2135, 431.218, 431.220, 431.223, 431.224, 431.240, 431.250, 431.260, 431.270, 507A.060, 532.025, 532.075, 532.130, 532.135, 532.140, 532.300, 532.305, and 532.309.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB102 (BR1393)/LM - G. Neal, K. Herron

AN ACT relating to civil rights. Amend KRS 344.010 to define terms; amend KRS 344.020, relating to the purpose of the Kentucky's civil rights chapter, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.025, 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, and 344.080, relating to prohibited discrimination in various labor and employment practices, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.100 and 344.110 to conform; amend KRS 344.120 and 344.140, relating to prohibited discrimination in places of public accommodation, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.170, 344.180, 344.190, 344.300, and 344.310, relating to the

orientation or gender identity in the scope of their powers and duties: amend KRS 344.360, 344.370, 344.380, and 344.680, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain housing, real estate, and other financial transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.367, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain insurance sales, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.400, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain credit transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; make various technical amendments; amend KRS 18A.095 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB103 (BR132) - D. Carroll, R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.

Amend KRS 151B.195 to require the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation to exhaust in-state providers before entering into reciprocal agreements with other states; promulgate administrative regulations to establish procedures and standards for service fee memoranda; and submit an annual report of the office's activities to the Governor and the Legislative Research Commission, that includes a complete operating and financial statement of the office.

## SB103 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(D. Carroll) - Retain original provisions; delete provision that in-state provider contracts have to be exhausted before executive director may enter into reciprocal agreements with other states; add provision that executive director shall establish a preference for in-state providers so long as the preference does not deny an individual a necessary service that may be available outside Kentucky.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day ; floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB104 (BR372) - S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority.

Amend KRS 18A.230 to define "selfdirected brokerage account" (SDBA); amend KRS 18A.235 to authorize the purchase fiduciary liability insurance and reimburse its trustees, officers, and employees for legal expenses relating to performance of their duties; amend KRS 18A.245 to authorize KY Deferred Comp to offer SDBAs to its participants, contract with SDBA vendors, and promulgate administrative regulations relating to SDBAs for its participants, require the plans offered by KY Deferred Comp to conform to federal laws and regulations, authorize KY Deferred Comp to promulgate administrative regulations, and make technical changes; amend KRS 18A.255 to direct that KY Deferred Comp and its board of trustees are not liable for a participant's investment in a SDBA, establish the fiduciary duties of the board of trustees, and exempt the trustees from legal action for monetary damages unless the person bringing the action proves by clear and convincing evidence that a trustee's breach or failure to perform the trustee's fiduciary duty is a willful, wanton, or reckless act; amend KRS 18A.260 to require assets held by KY Deferred Comp to be invested consistent with its statutory authority and limit investments in a SDBA to securities registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 36-0

Feb 25, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB105 (BR1041)/CI/LM** - G. Neal, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, K. Herron

AN ACT relating to firearms. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 237 to define "safe storage depository" and require an owner or custodian of a firearm to store the firearm in a safe storage depository or render the firearm incapable of being fired using a gunlocking device; require an owner or other person lawfully in possession of a firearm or any person who sells ammunition to report the loss or theft of the firearm or ammunition to a law enforcement agency; amend KRS 237.990 to establish penalties for violations.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

**SB106 (BR1508)/CI** - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor, A. Reed, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to the protection of unborn children.

Amend KRS 311.772, relating to the intentional termination of life of an unborn human being, to define terms; establish criminal penalties and fines for a foreign sender who provides an abortifacient; establish available relief; amend KRS 218A.100 to include abortifacients and abortion-inducing drugs as Schedule IV controlled substance.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB107 (BR1389) - L. Tichenor, S. West, G. Boswell, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, J. Higdon, S. Madon, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT amending the 2024-2026 State/Executive Branch biennial budget and declaring an emergency.

Amend 2024 Ky. Acts ch. 175 to remove the immunity provision for postsecondary institutions from the State/Executive Branch biennial budget; EMERGENCY.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (S)

SB108 (BR1216) - S. West, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to solar energy. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 96 to define terms; prohibit any utility operating under the chapter from constructing a facility that generates electricity using solar energy if constructing the facility would result in more than one percent of the total land area of any county where the proposed construction is to be located being occupied by solar electric generating facilities; amend KRS 278.020 to prohibit the Public Service Commission from granting an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a facility that uses solar energy to produce electricity if constructing the facility would result in more than one percent of the total land area of any county where the proposed construction is to be located being occupied by solar electric generating facilities; define terms; amend KRS 278.706 to require that as part of its construction certificate application to the siting board, a merchant electric generating facility owner shall certify that no portion of the proposed construction site will be located on land that was acquired through eminent domain and that the proposed site would not result in more than one percent of the total land area of any county where the proposed construction is to be located being occupied by solar electric generating facilities or any transmission facilities constructed to serve a solar electric generating facility; define terms; create a new section of KRS Chapter 416 to prohibit the construction of any facility that generates electricity using solar energy on any land that was acquired by eminent domain; amend KRS 416.570 to require that as part of the verified petition required to be filed prior to an exercise of eminent domain, a condemnor shall certify that the proposed condemnation will not violate the prohibition on constructing solar electric generating facilities and

state and local human rights commissions, to include prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sexual board of trustees of the Kentucky Public Employees Deferred Compensation Authority (KY Deferred Comp) to abortifacient or abortion-inducing drug; establish a civil cause of action that is available to a woman who receives an transmission facilities constructed to serve a solar electric generating facility on condemned land. Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB109 (BR409) - G. Neal, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, K. Herron, R. Thomas, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to state holidays and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate June 19 through July 4 as "Civic Season" in the Commonwealth; amend KRS 2.110 to add the nineteenth day of June as a state holiday commemorating Juneteenth National Freedom Day; EMERGENCY.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB110 (BR1273)/LM - S. West

AN ACT relating to short-term rentals. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to prohibit a local government from requiring the operator of a short-term rental to obtain a conditional use permit or imposing density-based restrictions on short-term rentals.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

## **SB111 (BR432)/FN/LM** - D. Carroll, S. Meredith, M. Nunn, B. Storm

AN ACT relating to juvenile justice. Create a new section in KRS Chapter 200 to define terms; establish procedures for a child charged with a public offense to determine if the child is a high acuity youth; establish procedures for securing a treatment plan and dispute resolution through a review process and the court if the parties cannot agree to a plan; require a 24hour protocol for health facilities, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and the courts to direct care; establish reimbursement rates for inpatient and outpatient psychiatric care of a child by psychiatric hospitals and pediatric teaching hospitals; establish procedures for discharge and transfer of the child from an inpatient admission under specific circumstances; amend KRS 15A.305 to include a mental health facility operated by the Department of Juvenile Justice as an identified facility for the detention and treatment of children; direct the operation of two female-only facilities with authority to increase as population increases; direct reimbursement rates for local governments lodging juveniles to be set by administrative regulation; amend KRS 600.020 to remove and add defined terms; amend KRS 610.265 to remove beginning date that is past; amend KRS 610.340 to enable release of information and use of records in specific circumstances; authorize the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet to construct a high acuity health facility to be completed by February 1, 2026, subject to funding;

to continue to implement the plan to return to a regional model of detention; direct the Finance and Administration Cabinet to report to the Legislative Research Commission by July 1, 2025 the status of the transfer of the Jefferson County Youth Detention Center property; amend various sections of KRS to conform.

## SB111 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(D. Carroll) - Retain original provisions; remove the requirement for two female-only detention facilities for female offenders.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 11, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Floor Amendment (1) Feb 20, 2025 - received in House ; to

Committee on Committees (H)

SB112 (BR1431) - G. Boswell, J. Adams, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, J. Higdon, S. Madon, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to fishing in privately owned lakes and ponds.

Amend KRS 150.170 to allow a bona fide resident landowner and other authorized persons to take fish from any lake or pond located on the owner's property without procuring a sport fishing license; exempt the resident landowner and other authorized persons from certain statutory and regulatory limits, restrictions, and requirement relating to fish and fishing.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (S)

**SB113 (BR933)** - J. Howell, J. Adams, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, M. Deneen, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, B. Storm, R. Thomas, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to a veterinary medicine program at Murray State University.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Murray State University to offer doctor's degrees required for professional practice and licensure in veterinary medicine.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB114 (BR1200) - R. Webb

AN ACT designating the state dog breed.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate the Treeing Walker Coonhound as the official state dog of Kentucky. Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

SB115 (BR940)/LM - K. Berg, C. Armstrong, K. Herron

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 29 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to citizen ballot initiatives.

Propose to amend Section 29 of the Constitution of Kentucky to establish the initiative power of the people to propose laws and to enact or reject proposed initiatives at an election; establish procedures for initiatives, effect of adopted initiatives, and parameters for the subject of any initiative; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

**SB116 (BR1327)/CI/LM** - L. Tichenor, S. Funke Frommeyer, G. Boswell, D. Douglas, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to sex-based classifications.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 61 to define "boy," "equal," "female," "girl," "male," "man," "sex," and "woman"; prohibit any state or local law, regulation, ordinance, or policy from treating males or females unfairly from similiarly situated members of the opposite sex, but permit separation of the sexes if in the interest of maintaining safety, privacy, and fairness; provide a non-exhaustive list of examples of areas in which public entities may distinguish between the sexes; require any public school, public school district, state agency, department, local government, special district or any political subdivision of those entities that collects vital statistics to identify each person as either male or female; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Women's Bill of Rights.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Education (S)

SB117 (BR1563) - S. Madon, R. Mills, M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to city government. Amend KRS 64.5277 to define "excess credit hours"; amend KRS 64.5278 to allow a city to establish different base incentive amounts for different types of city officers by ordinance, remove minimum and maximum payment amounts.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 12, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for

### Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 533 to define terms; require the court, upon conviction of the defendant, to consider the defendant's status as a primary caretaker of a dependent child unless the defendant is a violent offender, the victim is a child, or a statute prohibits an alternative sentence; require the court, upon a finding that the defendant is a primary caretaker of a dependent child, to consider an alternative sentence; provide that the defendant shall have the right to present an alternative sentencing plan and a family impact statement to the court; provide that in issuing an alternative sentence, the court may require the defendant to participate in programs and services that support the parent-child relationship; provide that the court may modify or revoke the alternative sentence and commit the defendant to an institution if the defendant fails to adhere to or complete the conditions of an alternative sentence; require the Administrative Office of the Court to report annually, beginning in 2026, to the Kentucky State Corrections Commission and to the Legislative Research Commission on the number, percentage, and demographics of parents and children impacted under this Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Primary Caretaker Consideration Act.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB119 (BR1557)** - B. Storm, J. Carpenter, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, S. Rawlings, R. Thomas, R. Webb, S. West

AN ACT relating to comprehensive universities.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Eastern Kentucky University to offer doctor of osteopathic medicine degrees required for professional practice and licensure in osteopathic medicine.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 12, 2025 - to Education (S)

**SB120 (BR1421)** - C. Armstrong, S. West, L. Tichenor, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to interscholastic athletics.

Amend KRS 156.070 to require child dependency, neglect, and abuse information to be included in any interscholastic athletics participation consent form; require any training for interscholastic athletics administrators and coaches to include information about mandatory reporting duties for child dependency, neglect, and abuse.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 12, 2025 - to Education (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 26, 2025 - posted for passage in

direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to provide clinical services; direct the Department of Juvenile Justice Tuesday, March 04, 2025

SB118 (BR1529)/CI/LM - J. Adams, S.

the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 ; 3rd reading, passed 36-0

Feb 28, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB121 (BR1366) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to stray equines. Amend KRS 259.120 to allow the county judge/executive to contract for the performance of specific duties required to be performed when an equine is subject to being taken up by a person or organization that provides animal sheltering services; require the contract to be approved by the county fiscal court; establish immunity from criminal and civil liability.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-0

## SB122 (BR1566)/LM - J. Howell

AN ACT relating to the sale of dogs and cats.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 258 to define terms; prohibit retail pet shops from selling dogs or cats unless the animal was obtained from an animal shelter or qualified breeder; prohibit retail pet shops from selling a dog or cat that is less than eight weeks old, or selling a dog or cat to anyone under the age of eighteen; prohibit local governments from passing ordinances that conflict with this Act; amend KRS 258.990 to establish a penalty for a violation.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

## SB123 (BR1381)/LM - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to insurance coverage of roofing materials.

Create a new section of Subtitle 12 of KRS Chapter 304 to require insurers to replace the roofing materials on the entire roof when uniformity of appearance cannot be achieved due to the age, condition, or discontinued manufacture of the existing roofing materials; prohibit the application of line of sight rules to exclude coverage for the replacement of roofing materials for any portion of the roof; provide that the Act applies to insurance policies, certificates, and contracts issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

## SB124 (BR83)/LM - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to animal care. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 525 to define terms; require peace officers and animal control officers to

serve notice of seizure of an animal subjected to cruelty; create procedure for seizing agencies to petition a court to order owner to pay cost of care for a seized animal; establish penalties; amend KRS 258.215 to require owners to be responsible for cost of care of an impounded animal; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 258.117 to reduce the number of board appointees from each nominating organization from two to one; add one member to be selected from a list submitted by Kentucky Animal Action; add a member from a list submitted by the Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association representing registered nonprofit organizations whose missions prioritize spay and neuter advocacy for companion animals to the Animal Control Advisory Board; provide that on the effective date of the Act, the Animal Control Advisory Board shall be dissolved and reconstituted and all new members be appointed; provide for the staggering of initial appointments.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB125 (BR1502) - M. Wise

AN ACT relating to identity documents.

Amend KRS 186.403 to allow persons who meet the minimum requirements for federal recognition in section 202 of the REAL ID Actof 2005, as amended, in 49 U.S.C. sec. 30301 note, and have been admitted to the United States as a nonimmigrant pursuant to a compact of free association between the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Island, the Republic of Palau, or the Federated States of Micronesia to obtain a voluntary travel ID; amend KRS 186.412, 186.4121, 186.4122, 186.4123, and 186.4125 to conform and to set forth documentation requirements; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

SB126 (BR907)/LM - C. McDaniel, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, R. Mills, C. Richardson

AN ACT proposing to amend Sections 77 and 240 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to limiting the Governor's ability to grant pardons and commute sentences.

Propose to amend Section 77 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit the Governor's ability to grant pardons or commute sentences beginning 30 days prior to a gubernatorial election and ending at that gubernatorial inauguration; amend Section 240 of the Constitution of Kentucky to conform; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

## **SB126 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/LM - Retain original provisions, except prohibit the Governor's ability to grant pardons or commute sentences beginning 60 days prior to a gubernatorial election and ending at that gubernatorial inauguration.

to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S) Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 07, 2025

Feb 07, 2025 - floor amendment adopted Committee Substitute (1); 3rd reading, passed 37-0-1 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB127 (BR1357) - S. Funke Frommeyer, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to real estate license reciprocity.

Amend KRS 324.115 to adjust the license reciprocity agreement requirements; amend KRS 324.141 to establish education requirements for reciprocal license applicants.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

#### SB128 (BR1519)/FN - G. Neal

AN ACT relating to utilization controls for nonopioid analgesics in the Medicaid program.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to prohibit the Department for Medicaid Services, any Medicaid managed care organization contracted by the department, and the Medicaid state pharmacy benefit manager from denying coverage for a nonopioid analgesic in favor of opioid analgesic or establishing more restrictive or more extensive utilization controls for nonopioid analgesics than the least restrictive or extensive utilization controls for any opioid or narcotic analgesic.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

SB129 (BR1290)/LM - J. Adams, G. Neal, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to property placed in a tax delinquency diversion program.

Amend KRS 99.727 to define "diverted tax delinquency purchaser" and "third-party purchaser"; require a certificate of delinquency related to property remaining in a tax delinquency diversion program at the expiration of the program's five year period to be made available for purchase by thirdparty purchasers; allow diverted tax delinquency purchasers to purchase certificates of delinquency related to property included in a tax delinquency diversion program during the program's five year period; set requirements for the county attorney related to the sale of the certificates of delinquency; set

requirements for a third-party purchaser

regulations for the purchase and sale of the certificates of delinquency; amend KRS 134.128 to conform.

## **SB129 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1/LM - Retain original provisions; define "vacant and abandoned property"; delete the requirement that property remaining in a tax delinquency diversion program after five years being made available for purchase; require property in a tax delinquency diversion program to be vacant and abandoned for the certificate of delinquency to be sold; require the county attorney to verify that the property is vacant and abandoned; require a third-party purchaser to register with the Department of Revenue to qualify as a diverted tax delinquency purchaser; require the Department of Revenue to maintain a list of applicants issued a certificate of registration.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-3 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB130 (BR1569)/CI/FN - S. Madon, D. Givens, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to gift cards. Amend KRS 434.560 to define terms; create a new section of KRS 434.550 to 434.730 to create the offense of tampering with a gift card; amend KRS 434.580 and 434.650 to prohibit theft, receipt and fraudulent use of a gift card.

## **SB130 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; describe the violation of gift card tampering; define "face value" for a gift card; penalize gift card theft based on face value of card.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 13, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

#### SB131 (BR1418) - L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to school governance.

Amend KRS 160.350 to require a majority vote instead of a four-fifths vote of board members to remove the superintendent; delete requirements for approval from the commissioner of education to remove a superintendent; amend KRS 160.180 to remove the relative employee eligibility requirement for candidates for the local board of education; require a local board member obtain at least one hour of open records and open meetings training per term;

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

registering as a diverted tax delinquency purchaser; require the Department of Revenue to promulgate administrative

amend KRS 160.160 to establish a one year term for chair and vice chair of the local board of education; require

superintendents to submit reports on closed personnel investigations to the local board of education for the purposes of policy oversight and evaluation of the superintendent's performance; amend KRS 160.210 to establish new numbers for membership of a local board of education based on district enrollment; require the Kentucky Board of Education to determine the required number of members every 10 years; provide for the election of additional members and for the reduction of membership; require local boards of education to report new electoral divisions to the Kentucky Board of Education and the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 160.200 and 116.200 to conform; require the Kentucky Board to make initial determinations of board size by December 31, 2025 and local boards to conduct required division changes; require superintendents to submit reports on previous investigations closed during the superintendent's contract to the local board of education within 30 days of the effective date of this Act.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Education (S)

**SB132 (BR1505)/LM** - D. Douglas, G. Boswell, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to the recruitment and retention of health care professionals and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 344 to ensure federal law relating to emergency medical treatment and the collection of evidence is not overridden; define terms; prohibit discrimination against health care professionals who decline to perform procedures that violate their conscience; grant health care professionals the right not to participate in services that violate their conscience; exempt health care professionals from liability for exercising these rights; prohibit hiring or licensing authorities from reprimanding health care professionals; require hiring or licensing authorities to provide complaints it has received to health care professionals; establish a civil cause of action for persons injured by violations; provide that the Act may be cited as the Health Care Heroes Recruitment and Retention Act; EMERGENCY.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

**SB133 (BR955)** - D. Yates, J. Adams, R. Girdler, K. Herron, C. Richardson, B. Storm, R. Webb

AN ACT relating to sanctioning bodies for boxing and wrestling exhibitions. Amend KRS 229.011 to redefine "exhibition"; amend KRS 229.045 to require sanctioning bodies to provide notice to the Boxing and Wrestling Commission of all combat sports exhibitions not covered under this chapter.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S) **SB134 (BR1630)** - D. Carroll, R. Mills, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, J. Carpenter, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. Nemes, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, R. Thomas, R. Webb, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to comprehensive universities.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Eastern Kentucky University to offer doctor of osteopathic medicine degrees required for professional practice and licensure in osteopathic medicine; permit Murray State University to offer doctor's degrees required for professional practice and licensure in veterinary medicine; permit Western Kentucky University to offer up to five research doctoral degree programs.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB135 (BR1625) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

Amend KRS 217.934 to include a diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder as an eligible condition for hyperbaric oxygen therapy; amend KRS 217.936 to include post-traumatic stress disorder to the hyperbaric oxygen therapy written informed consent requirements.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

# SB136 (BR1164)/FN - J. Higdon, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to the Transportation Cabinet titling and registration system.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 186A to allow for an electronic record of a motor vehicle title to be stored in AVIS without the production of a paper copy of the title; provide that titles held in the system electronically have the same legal status as paper titles; allow a titled holder to request a paper title at any time; exempt from fees the first paper title for a vehicle if the title was held electronically; amend KRS 186A.035 to outline procedures and forms for transfers of vehicles held in joint ownership; amend KRS 186A.115 to allow a person presenting a vehicle for inspection to present a current operator's license from Kentucky or another state; amend KRS 186A.190 to establish procedures for electronic submission of liens, security interests and satisfactions; allow use of electronic signatures; provide for holding titles in AVIS and not producing paper titles for vehicles for which liens have been filed electronically; allow the Transportation Cabinet to remove any lien from the certificate of title in AVIS if the lien expiries and is not renewed; amend KRS 186A.195 to allow the use of electronic signatures on title lien statements; amend KRS 186A.145 to exempt from the prohibition against transferring a vehicle in cases involving delinquent ad valorem taxes transfers between

186A.100 to allow the use a temporary motor vehicle tags on vehicles sold in Kentucky that are being transported to another state for registration; allow county clerks to keep an electronic record of temporary tags; amend KRS 186A.017 to set time frames for county clerk processing of title applications filed through the electronic system; amend KRS 186A.220 to allow motor vehicle dealers to dealer assign all-terrain vehicles; amend KRS 235.130 to allow a county clerk to accept an affidavit of ownership to process the application of a boat title; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

## SB136 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove provisions regarding electronic titling of motor vehicles; amend KRS 186A.120 to require county clerks ensure all applications for a first certificate of registration or title and plate, and the supporting documents, are original documents; require county clerks to process applications and send to the cabinet within three days of receipt; amend KRS 186A.060 to require that vehicles owned by businesses registered by the Kentucky Secretary of State's office are registered using a Federal Employee Identification number; require that applicants for vehicle registration provide a Kentucky operator's license; provide that if the owner of a vehicle operating principally in Kentucky lives out-of-state, the vehicle will be registered using the owner's Social Security number and operator's license; amend KRS 186A.170 to require the Department of Vehicle Regulation title examiners verify that application forms and supporting documents are complete; set forth the process if there is a discrepancy; require title examiners place approval in KAVIS after the applicant has passed the required examinations; create a new section of Subtitle 20 of KRS Chapter 304 to require the commissioner to promulgate emergency and ordinary administrative regulations by June 1, 2025, that identifies the nationally accredited used car valuation guide or tools that are to be used by insurers when determining the retail value of wrecked, destroyed, or damaged vehicles; amend KRS 186A.295, 186A.520, 186A.530, and KRS 186A.555 to conform; amend KRS 186.403 to allow persons who meet the requirements of the REAL ID ACT of 2005, as amended, and has been admitted to the United States as a nonimmigrant pursuant to a compact of free association between the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, or the Federated States of Micronesia to obtain a voluntary travel ID; Amend KRS 186.412, 186.4121, 186.4122, 186.4123, and 186.4125 to conform and to set forth documentation requirements; amend KRS 186.456 to provide that the Kentucky State Police may provide operator's license skill testing in up to 10 counties without permanent, full-time, driver licensing testing; EFFECTIVE, in part, July 1, 2025; EMERGENCY. SCA1(J. Higdon) - Make title amendment.

SFA1(J. Higdon) - Amend KRS 186.120

specify time frames; amend KRS 186A.060 to allow a Kentucky resident to use a Social Security number when registering a motor vehicle; amend KRS 186.456 to require the department of state police pilot testing project visits affected counties at least one time each month, rather than two.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

## SB137 (BR1445) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to protection from extreme weather conditions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 278 to define terms and prohibit a utility from suspending residential service during extreme weather conditions.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB138 (BR1696) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to evictions during extreme weather conditions. Create a new section of KRS 383.200 to 383.285 to prohibit evictions of residential tenants during extreme weather conditions; amend KRS 383.245 to conform.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB139 (BR1659) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to public protection. Amend KRS 75.160, relating to fire protection districts, to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB140 (BR1657) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to veterans. Amend KRS 40.050 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB141 (BR1658) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to military affairs. Amend KRS 36.230 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

individuals when the delinquent taxes are owed by a previous owner not party to the transaction; amend KRS to require county clerks ensure that electronic submissions through the electronic title system are complete and to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

#### SB142 (BR1281) - M. Wilson, D. Givens

AN ACT relating to English language learners.

Amend KRS 157.360 to require that English language learners receive an additional factor of 0.24 in a school districts average daily attendance for the program to support education excellence in Kentucky, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year; amend KRS 160.1596 to conform.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Education (S)

### SB143 (BR1716) - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 116.155 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB144 (BR1538)/LM - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to confiscated firearms.

Amend KRS 16.220, relating to firearms confiscated by law enforcement, to provide that firearms which were used in a homicide be destroyed; provide that firearms in the possession of the Department of Kentucky State Police may be destroyed if they have been defaced, are contaminated by hazardous material. unsafe to discharge, or upon request of an innocent owner; amend KRS 500.090, relating to forfeiture of property in criminal cases, to require local law enforcement agencies to destroy firearms that have been used in a homicide; require that all firearms that are transferred to the Department of Kentucky State Police not be intentionally damaged, modified, or disabled by the agency having custody, except as may be necessary for forensic testing; amend KRS 15.440, to require law enforcement agencies to have a written policy and procedures manual relating to the destruction of firearms used in homicides by January 1, 2026.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Affairs, & Public Protection (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

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## SB145 (BR911) - D. Givens

AN ACT relating to retail installment contracts.

Amend KRS 190.100 to authorize holders of retail installment contracts that utilize installment periods that are under 28 days to have a shorter waiting period prior to charging a delinquency and collection fee.

## **SB145 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 371.270 to increase flat rate penalty for delinquency from \$10 to \$15 and eliminate further requirements.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 19, 2025 - taken from Transportation (S); reassigned to Banking & Insurance (S) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 34-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB146 (BR965)/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to terms of members of the General Assembly.

Propose to amend Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prevent members of the Senate from serving more than four terms of office, not including partial terms of two years or less, and to prevent members of the House of Representatives from serving more than eight terms of office, not including partial terms of two years or less, beginning with those elected in November 2028; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB147 (BR1729) - B. Storm

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 501.080 to make a technical correction and insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB148 (BR1731) - B. Storm

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 504.120 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB149 (BR1730) - B. Storm

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 502.060 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB151 (BR1447)/LM** - P. Wheeler, R. Mills, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. AN ACT relating to prohibited uses of state tax dollars.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 48 to define "illegal alien"; prohibit state tax dollars appropriated by the General Assembly from being used to compensate an illegal alien; direct the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security to assist in the implementation and enforcement of the Act.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day Feb 27, 2025 - passed over and

retained in the Orders of the Day Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

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## SB152 (BR1653) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to economic development. Amend KRS 154.10-040 to add gender-neutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

**SB153 (BR1558)** - C. Richardson, D. Carroll, S. Meredith, P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to prepayment review of Medicaid claims.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms and to establish standards for the utilization of prepayment claims review in the Medicaid program; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary and comply with KRS 205.525.

## SB153 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except delete provisions related to the timeframe for which a Medicaid-enrolled provider may be subject to prepayment claims review.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

**SB154 (BR164)** - C. Armstrong, D. Yates, G. Neal, R. Thomas, R. Webb

AN ACT relating to employment. Amend KRS 336.130 to delete references restricting rights of public employees to organize, associate

"committee," "contributing organization," "contribution," "election," "electioneering communications," "employer," "fundraiser," "independent expenditure," "political activities," "public employee," "slate of candidates," and "testimonial affair"; amend KRS 336.990 to conform; amend KRS 67A.6904 to allow urbancounty governments to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 67C.406 to allow consolidated local governments to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 70.262, 78.470, and 78.480 to remove exceptions; amend KRS 345.050 to allow public employers to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 336.1341 and 336.135 to conform; repeal KRS 65.016, 336.132, and 336.134.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB155 (BR1132)/AA/FN/LM/SP - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to state employee health insurance.

Amend KRS 18A.225 to exclude from the definition of "employee" any employer pursuant to KRS 61.522 that ceases participation in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System by June 30, 2021, once they cease participation in the state employee health insurance plan they may not participate in the future; require minimal participation duration for all benefits administered by the Personnel Cabinet pursuant to KRS 18A.225 to 18A.2287; require health insurance coverage for state employees to provide minimum value that pays over 60 percent of the total cost of in-network medical services, provide minimal essential coverage as defined in 26 U.S.C. sec. 5000A(f), and not discriminate in favor of highly compensated individuals as prohibited by 26 U.S.C. sec. 105(h); require any carrier bidding to offer health care coverage to employees to rate all employees as a single entity; require any premium due for vision coverage, if in excess of a premium amount contributed by an employer to be paid by the employee; delete references to regional contracts for state employee health insurance; specify that no provision of KRS Chapter 304, the insurance code, shall apply to the public employee health insurance program for public employees unless otherwise authorized; amend KRS 18A.2254 to add health savings accounts as a waiver funding option and provide that the type of account available for waiver funding each year shall be at the discretion of the Personnel Cabinet; define quarterly report time frames required of the Personnel Cabinet on the status of the health insurance trust fund transmitted to the Governor, the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and

Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, C. Richardson, B. Smith, L. Tichenor, S. West, G. Williams, M. Wilson collectively, or strike; amend KRS 336.180 to redefine "labor organization" and delete definitions of "candidate," Revenue, and the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board; amend KRS 18A.226 to update the membership of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board; amend date requirement to January 31 each year for the board to submit an annual report to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; repeal 18A.2255, relating to the Advisory Committee of State Health Insurance Subscribers.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB156 (BR1715) - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to state government. Amend KRS 56.020 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB157 (BR1735) - S. West

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB158 (BR1734) - S. West

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB159 (BR1733) - S. West

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Education (S)

**SB160 (BR170)/LM** - A. Reed, D. Givens, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, C. McDaniel, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, B. Smith, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps.

Amend KRS 37.170 to create the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps (KEV Corps) within the Kentucky State Defense Force; create a new section of KRS Chapter 37 to detail KEV Corps eligibility, supervision, training requirements, uniform details, and prohibitions and to create the KEV Corps fund; amend KRS 39B.030 to permit the local emergency management director to use the KEV Corps during a local disaster or emergency; amend KRS 39B.050 to include the KEV Corps as a part of the local disaster and emergency services organization; amend KRS 39B.070 to permit each city, urbancounty government, or charter county

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB161 (BR1770)/CI/LM - J. Howell

AN ACT relating to earned wage access services.

Establish Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 286, the Kentucky Financial Services Code, and create new sections to regulate earned wage access services; define terms; establish exemptions from the subtitle; establish licensing requirements for certain earned wage access services providers; establish requirements for change of control of a licensee; provide circumstances under which the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions is authorized to take adverse action, enter emergency orders, deny a license, or take other regulatory actions; authorize licensees and other persons aggrieved by a final decision of the commissioner to request an administrative hearing; establish trade practice requirements for earned wage access services providers; require licensees to maintain an agent in this state for service of process; require an annual report by licensees; require the commissioner to make and publish an analysis and recapitulation of the annual reports submitted by licensees; establish recordkeeping requirements for licensees; provide that certain information is confidential and not subject to disclosure; authorize the commissioner to promulgate administrative regulations for the proper conduct of business under the subtitle and to conduct examinations and investigations; prohibit a licensee from being subject to liability for an act or omission made in conformity with a notice, opinion, or interpretation issued by the commissioner; establish civil and criminal penalties; provide that a contract made in violation of the subtitle is void; amend KRS 286.4-410, 286.11-007, and 371.150 to conform; authorize certain earned wage access providers to continue to act without a license during initial implementation; provide that Sections 1 to 26 may be cited as the Kentucky Earned Wage Access Services Act.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

## SB162 (BR1578) - S. Funke

Frommeyer, L. Tichenor, D. Douglas, K. Herron, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to unemployment insurance.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 341 to require the Education and Labor Cabinet to refer suspected unemployment insurance fraud cases to the United States Department of Justice, the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, and the county attorney or Commonwealth's attorney within 30 days of the suspected fraud determination; require that public agencies immediately terminate employees or contractors determined to have collected or attempted to collect unemployment benefits while employed by the public agency; do not require a legal disposition finding that the employee or

contractor is guilty in order for public agencies to terminate employment; provide that collecting or attempting to collect unemployment benefits while employed by or under contract with the cabinet shall be a breach of any collective bargaining agreement, civil service process, or contract; amend KRS 341.370 to require that a worker be disqualified from receiving benefits for any week they are under investigation for suspected unemployment insurance fraud; require the disqualification to remain in effect until an investigation determines that a fraudulent act has not occurred; amend KRS 341.360 to conform.

#### SB162 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions, except delete the provision that made collecting or attempting to collect unemployment benefits while employed by or under contract with the cabinet a breach of any collective bargaining agreement, civil service process, or contract; make technical.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

# **SB163 (BR1042)/LM** - G. Neal, D. Givens

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to slavery and involuntary servitude as a punishment for crime.

Propose to amend Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude in all circumstances; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

**SB164 (BR1275)/LM** - L. Tichenor, R. Girdler, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to government personnel policies and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 61 to prohibit a state or local government or public agency from providing preferential treatment to individuals or entities on the basis of religion, race, sex, color, or national origin when they contract or seek employment with the state or local government; define terms; prohibit a state or local government from requiring or incentivizing a person to attend a diversity, equity, and inclusion training or provide any differential treatment or benefits to an individual based on the individual's participation in diversity, equity, and inclusion training; prohibit a public agency from providing resources or funds to establish or maintain diversity, equity, and inclusion offices, trainings, or related initiatives; allow an exemption to provide preferential consideration for businesses

owned by individuals who are residents of Kentucky or the United States; allow the Attorney General to bring civil action to enforce provisions of this Act; allow a qualified individual to bring a civil action for injunctive relief and to recover attorney's fees and litigation costs if a state or local government or public agency is found to have violated this Act; waive immunity under certain conditions; prevent an employee or agent of a public agency or a state or local government from using their authority to influence, discourage, interfere, or retaliate against a person who in good faith participates in a civil action in accordance with this Act; amend KRS 12.020 to rename the "Office of Diversity, Equality, and Training" to "Office of Employee Training"; amend KRS 18A.025 to deline the responsibilities of the Office of Employee Training; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

**SB165 (BR356)** - L. Tichenor, G. Boswell, D. Douglas, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to education and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; prohibit a school district, public school, or cooperative board from providing differential treatment or benefits on the basis of an individual's religion, race, sex, color, or national origin; prohibit the Kentucky Department of Education, a school district, a public school, or a cooperative board from expending any resources on diversity, equity, and inclusion; prohibit the department, a school district, a public school, or a cooperative board from soliciting statements on an applicant's experience with or views on religion, race, sex, color, or national origin, from providing differential treatment or benefits to an individual based on the individual's participation in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, and from disseminating or profiting from any research, work product, or material that promotes or justifies discriminatory concepts of diversity, equity, and inclusion; establish exclusions; authorize the Attorney General to bring an action for a writ of mandamus to compel the department, a school district, a public school or a cooperative board to comply; create a cause of action to permit a qualified individual to file a civil action against a the department, a school district, a cooperative board, or a public school for injunctive relief arising from a violation of this Act; permit recovery of monetary damages for a willful and intentional violation; waive sovereign, governmental, and qualified immunity; prohibit retaliation; require each public school district and cooperative board to provide the State Treasurer the name, job title, duty station, and compensation information of each employee of the school district or cooperative board each month for publication; amend KRS 161.030 to require certain certification

government the use of the KEV Corps.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

applicants to complete an approved professional development program on Kentucky education law; amend KRS 158.4416 and 158.4414 to conform; require school districts and cooperative boards to follow designated procedures when implementing this Act including termination or transfer of certain employees; require the Kentucky Department of Education to eliminate the Division of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging and follow designated procedures when implementing this Act including termination or transfer of certain employees; EFFECTIVE, in part, February 1, 2026; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB166 (BR1501)/FN/LM - L. Tichenor, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to the issuance of identity documents.

Create a new section of KRS 186.400 to 186.640 to require the Transportation Cabinet establish at least one permanent driver license regional office in each county with a population of 50,000 or more; create a new section of KRS Chapter 186 to require the Transportation Cabinet establish a mutual agreement with county clerks to issue operator's licenses and personal identification cards in each county that does not have a driver licensing regional office; amend KRS 186.531 to conform; amend KRS 186.577 to require that all driver vision testing results be disclosed to the driver in a private area; require each driver license regional office be equipped with adequate vision testing equipment; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

SB167 (BR1768) - J. Howell, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to the acquisition of agricultural land.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 247 to define terms; prohibit a nonresident alien, foreign business, foreign agent, trustee, or fiduciary associated with the government of any proscribed country referenced in 22 C.F.R. sec. 126.1 from the purchase, lease, or acquisition of agricultural land in Kentucky or participation in programs administered by the Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Board, and Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation; allow an existing foreign-owned business to purchase adjacent agricultural land to expand the operations of the business; exempt foreign ownership or leasing of up to 350 acres for research purposes; allow a nonresident alien, foreign business, foreign agent, trustee, or fiduciary to own, purchase, hold, or develop agricultural land for nonagricultural use provided that the development is completed within five years of acquiring the land; require that a copy of the report required under the provisions of the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act be filed with the Department of Agriculture; require the Department of Agriculture to report evidence of noncompliance to the Office

of the Attorney General to enforce provisions; require that agricultural land found in violation be escheated to the state and be subject to judicial foreclosure; set requirements for disbursement of proceeds of the sale.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB168 (BR1697) - J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to transportation. Amend KRS 186.230 and 186.120 to conform to gender-neutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SB169 (BR1230) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to administrative subpoenas.

Amend KRS 500.120 to include social networking companies, mobile payment services, and cloud storage services as account holders subject to an administrative subpoena under various criminal statutes.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

- Feb 18, 2025 to Judiciary (S)
- Feb 20, 2025 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 35-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB170 (BR1796) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to protection of children.

Amend KRS 620.130 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB171 (BR1154)** - S. West, M. Nunn, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to eminent domain. Create a new section of KRS 262.900 to 262.920 to prohibit the taking of property subject to an agricultural conservation easement by eminent domain; allow public hearing on a proposed taking of property subject to an agricultural conservation easement before the local soil and water conservation district board of supervisors; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to allow an owner of property adjoining a property condemned by eminent domain to bring a civil action against the condemnor for damages to property; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a five-year statute of limitations for actions by adjoining property owners against condemnors; create a new section of KRS Chapter 416 to prohibit land condemned by eminent domain

within the boundaries of an agricultural district by eminent domain; require condemnors to provide a written report at public hearing justifying condemnation due to lack of feasible alternative locations; amend KRS 382.850 to prohibit the taking of property subject to a conservation easement by eminent domain; allow an owner of property subject to a conservation easement who has been served with a summons of condemnation proceedings to request a public hearing before the local soil and water conservation district board of supervisors; require condemnors to provide a written report at public hearing justifying condemnation due to lack of feasible alternative locations; amend KRS 416.560 to specify requirements for contents of notice of entry to owners of property; establish penalty for failure to give notice; amend KRS 416.570 to require a petition for condemnation proceedings to contain statements that the property is not subject to an easement that prohibits taking by eminent domain and that there are no reasonable alternate locations or routes for the proposed project; amend KRS 416.580 to require the appointment of a certified independent real estate appraiser to the group of commissioners who establish the value of condemned property; amend KRS 416.610 to require the condemnor to pay expenses and reasonable attorney's fees in a condemnation proceeding; amend KRS 416.620 to require the condemnor to pay expenses and reasonable attorney's fees in a condemnation proceeding; amend KRS 416.660 to establish a highest and best use valuation for condemned property; establish the payment of a premium of 125% for any condemned property used for conservation, farm, or agricultural purposes; amend KRS 416.675 to define 'private owner."

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Agriculture (S) Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Agriculture (S); 1st reading ; returned to Agriculture

(S) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Agriculture

(S); 2nd reading ; returned to Agriculture (S)

## SB172 (BR1801) - M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to economic development.

Amend KRS 154.50-323 to insert gender-neutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

## SB173 (BR1800) - M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Education (S)

SB174 (BR1581) - M. Nunn, A. Reed

the city and state of contributors to candidates for the General Assembly and statewide office be available to the public online.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 32-0

## SB176 (BR1710) - M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to the Legislative Research Commission. Amend KRS 6.905, 7.200, 7A.110, 7A.185, 7A.220, 13A.020, 15A.063, 45.790, 45A.705, 158.647, and 248.723 to require statutory committee membership appointments be made in January of each odd-numbered year; require vacancies to be filled within 30 days; and require the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to appoint co-chairs; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 33-0

**SB177 (BR1691)** - L. Tichenor, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to vaccines. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to prohibit a requirement for any individual to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, modified ribonucleic acid (modRNA) vaccine, or messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) vaccine for the purposes of student enrollment, employment, or medical treatment in the Commonwealth; prohibit any COVID-19 vaccine, modified ribonucleic acid (modRNA) vaccine, or messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) vaccine to be administered in the Commonwealth to a minor child under the age of 18 years; sunset the provisions that relate to a minor child on July 1, 2035, unless extended by the General Assembly:

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

## SB178 (BR1616) - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to the Education and Labor Cabinet reorganization. Amend KRS 151B.015 to establish the Division of Program Policy and Support within the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation; establish the Department for Disability Determination Services and its divisions in the Education and Labor

of the Attorney General; require the Office of the Attorney General to investigate the evidence; allow the Office from being used for the construction of solar energy facilities; amend KRS 262.850 to prohibit the taking of property

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.120 to require that Cabinet; establish the Office of Industry and Apprenticeship Services and the Division of Workforce Talent within the Department of Workforce Development; amend KRS 151B.017, 151B.185, and 12.020 to conform.

## **SB178 - AMENDMENTS**

SFA1(M. Nemes) - Retain original provisions; move the Division of Workforce Talent to the Office of Industry and Apprenticeship Services; make technical changes; add effective date of July 1, 2025.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SB179 (BR1572)/FN** - D. Carroll, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, R. Webb, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to nuclear energy development, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program to be administered by the Kentucky Nuclear Energy Development Authority; establish the nuclear energy development grant administration subcommittee and provide for its duties; limit individual grant awards from the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program to \$2,000,000 per grant; amend KRS 164.2802 to require the director of the Kentucky Nuclear Energy Development Authority to publicize and encourage application to the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program; require the evaluations and scores of grant applications and grant awards made from the program to be included in the annual report that the Kentucky Nuclear **Energy Development Authority submits** to the Legislative Research Commission; amend 2024 Kentucky Acts Chapter 173, Section 1, (207), at page 1766, to allow \$10,000,000 of the amount appropriated to the University of Kentucky budget unit for the Center of Applied Energy Research's administration and support of the Kentucky Nuclear Energy Authority and the Energy Planning and Inventory Commission for fiscal year 2025-2026 to be used for the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program; repeal KRS 154.12-340; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

- Feb 18, 2025 to Natural Resources & Energy (S)
- Feb 19, 2025 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

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Feb 25, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SB180 (BR1826) - L. Tichenor, S. West, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to water fluoridation programs.

Amend KRS 211.190 to make water fluoridation programs optional; allow the governing bodies of water systems subject to regulation by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to decide whether they participate in water fluoridation programs; provide that a water fluoridation program in place on the effective date of the Act continues until action is taken by its governing body to end its participation: provide that any decision regarding participation in a water fluoridation program made by the governing body of a water system shall be binding on all water systems it supplies.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

reb 19, 2025 - to health Services (S)

## SB181 (BR1477) - L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to school employee and volunteer misconduct.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to define terms; direct each local board of education to designate on or more programs or applications as a traceable communication system that shall be the exclusive means for school district employees and volunteers to communicate electronically with students; provide that a parent may submit written consent for a designated school district employee or volunteer to communicate electronically with a student outside of the traceable communication system; exclude communications between a parent that is a school district employee or volunteer and his or her own children; establish a mandatory duty to report violations for school employees and volunteers; require principals, superintendents, and the commissioner of education to notify parents of allegations of unauthorized electronic communication involving their children; require principals, superintendents, and the commissioner of education to report alleged violations to the Educational Professional Standards Board (EPSB); require principals, superintendents, the commissioner of education, and EPSB to investigate designated allegations of unauthorized electronic communication; establish the methods of disciplinary action for a violation; amend KRS 161.120 to provide that the identity of complainants alleging unauthorized electronic communication, sexual contact, or other sexual misconduct that are dismissed and minors invovled in the complaint to remain confidential; provide that EPSB will have 120 days to conduct the initial review of complaints alleging unauthorized electronic communication, sexual contact, or other sexual misconduct.

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SB182 (BR917) - D. Yates, G. Neal, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to liability for injury or damage caused by the underage consumption of intoxicating substances.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to allow a person injured due to the negligence of an intoxicated minor to bring a civil action against a person who knew or should have known that the minor consumed alcohol or a controlled substance in the person's home or on property under the person's control, and against any person, other than the minor's parent, who provided the alcohol or controlled substance to the minor.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB183 (BR1546)/AA** - M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, S. Madon, R. Mills, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to the fiduciary duties owed to the state-administered retirement systems.

Amend KRS 21.450, 61.650, 78.790, and 161.430 relating to the fiduciary duties owed to the state-administered retirement systems to define "shareholder-sponsored proposal" and "economic analysis"; require a proxy adviser under contract with a stateadministered retirement system to conduct and document an economic analysis prior to voting on or recommending a vote on a shareholdersponsored proposal that is inconsistent with the recommendation of the board of directors of the issuer of shares in order to demonstrate that a vote against management's recommendation is solely in the interest of the retirement plan members and beneficiaries; make technical corrections.

## SB183 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1/AA - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 21.450, 61.650, 78.790, and 161.430 to define "proxy adviser."

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

## SB184 (BR1823) - S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to health services. Amend KRS 214.630 to make a technical correction.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

# SB185 (BR1176)/CI/LM - M. Nunn, J. Higdon

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189 to define terms; establish that automated license plate readers (ALPRs) shall only be used as set forth in this section; ALPRs may be deployed and maintained for the purposes of protecting public safety, conducting criminal investigations, ensuring compliance with law, regulating parking, controlling acess to secured areas, deterring crime and theft, and the Transportation Cabinet's toll collection activities; establish a 90-day data storage limit unless being used for criminal prosecutions or toll collection; prohibit the selling of data obtained by ALPRs and prohibit sharing of data except with law enforcement officers or agencies; require law enforcement agencies and neighborhood associations to adopt and publish a written policy for the use of ALPR systems; amend KRS 189.990 to add a penalty for improper use of an ALPR or captured license plate data.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

#### SB186 (BR1432)/FN - G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to the levy of an ad valorem tax rate.

Repeal and reenact KRS 132.017 to require the portion of a property tax rate which will produce revenue from real property, exclusive of revenue from new property, more than four percent over the amount of revenue produced by the compensating tax rate to be subject to recall by the voters of the district; establish requirements for the ballot question, notifying the public, the election process, and recalling the rate; allow the cancellation of the election; disallow local, state, and federal tax dollars to be used to advocate for the rate; amend various statutes to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB187 (BR1717) - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to retirement. Amend KRS 61.530 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB188 (BR1825) - S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to Medicaid. Amend KRS 205.557 to make a technical correction.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

#### SB189 (BR1824) - S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to public health. Amend KRS 212.190 to make a technical correction.

Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Families & Children AN ACT relating to automated license plate readers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

#### SB190 (BR1869) - M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to charitable gaming. Amend KRS 238.540 to allow a charitable gaming volunteer to serve at up to six charitable gaming events or sessions per week; amend KRS 238.545 to allow a licensed charitable organization to conduct up to three bingo sessions per week over the course of up to 15 total hours per week; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB191 (BR1160) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation.

Amend KRS 342.0011, relating to workers' compensation, to expand the definition of " injury" to include a diagnosis of class 2 or greater posttraumatic stress disorder from a death or threatened death by direct exposure or witnessing a death, threat of death, or its immediate aftermath; define "medical professional"; amend KRS 342.020 to allow an administrative law judge to rely upon objective medical opinions or data when determining medical benefits; require a carrier or a third-party administrator to provide the guidelines relied upon to deny medical treatment and provide the guidelines to the employee and medical provider; provide that the requirement for the medical provider to submit a statement for services within 45 days after treatment does not apply until after the injured worker and the medical provider have received notification from the employer, insurer, or medical payment obligor that the claim has been determined to be compensable, or there has been an initial determination of compensability by an administrative law judge; require the notice of compensability to advise the injured worker and the medical provider of necessary information regarding the process by which and the location where statements for services shall be sent; entitle a prevailing employee in a medical fee dispute to attorney's fees and permit the employee to submit a bill of costs to be considered by the administrative law judge; amend KRS 342.033 to expand "physician" to include all "medical professionals"; amend KRS 342.035 to prohibit a medical provider from seeking payment when a statement for services was submitted more than 45 days after the treatment date; amend KRS 342.125 to allow an administrative law judge to reopen and review any award or order for post-award request for vocational rehabilitation; add entitlement to rehabilitation to reasons a claim may be reopened more than four years after the original award date; amend KRS 342.276 to require the commissioner to promulgate regulations requiring parties to demonstrate attempts have been made to reach a settlement; amend KRS 342.281 to provide that after an order on reconsideration has been rendered, subsequent petitions for reconsideration

amend KRS 342.310 to provide that if an administrative law judge determines a medical dispute was filed frivolously or for the purpose of harassment by an employer, its third-party administrator, or the responsible insurer, attorney's fees may be assessed and the administrative law judge may fine the employer no less than \$1,000 and not more than \$5,000 to be paid to the employee; amend KRS 342.315 to add the University of Pikeville to the medical schools that the commissioner shall contract with to evaluate workers; delete "physicians" and insert "medical professionals" who are qualified as "B" readers in cases involving coal workers' pneumoconiosis and occupational hearing loss; add audiologists to the medical professionals who may perform hearing loss evaluations; amend KRS 342.316 to delete "physician" and insert "medical professional" as being required provide at least one written medical report in filing occupational disease claims; delete "physician" and insert "medical professional" as to interpret X-rays; delete "physicians" and insert "medical professional" as qualified as "B" readers in cases involving coal workers' pneumoconiosis; amend KRS 342.320 to delete "physicians" and insert "medical professionals" fees which are subject to approval of an administrative law judge; require the commissioner to promulgate administrative regulations establishing a schedule of fees that may be charged by court reporters for services rendered; amend KRS 342.730 to prohibit temporary total and permanent total disability from being offset by unemployment insurance benefits; amend KRS 342.794 to delete "physicians who are licensed in the Commonwealth" and insert "medical professionals" in the definitions of "B" reader list; delete "physician" and insert "medical professionals" in the "B' reader" and "Board-certified pulmonary specialist"; amend KRS 342.122 to require the special fund assessment rate to be sufficient to finance the administration, operation, and expenditures when the claim liabilities are fully funded or prefunded; amend KRS 342.610 to include when a legal or illegal intoxicating substance is knowingly introduced into the employee's body, liability for compensation shall not apply to the injury, occupational disease, or death to the employee, if the intoxicating substance is determined to be the proximate cause of the employee's injury, occupational disease, or death.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SB192 (BR1922)/FN - G. Williams, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to nonsubstantive review of certificate of need.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B allowing certain local governments to request nonsubstantive review for certificate of need for provision of services; mandate 30 days for approval; repeal KRS 216B.010, relating to the legislative findings and purpose of KRS

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

## SB193 (BR245)/FN - R. Girdler

AN ACT relating to jailer service cards issued by the Secretary of State.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 14 to provide for the issuance of jailer service cards by the Secretary of State to jailers who are currently serving or have previously served as jailers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

## SB194 (BR1829)/CI/FN/LM - R. Girdler

AN ACT relating to property theft. Amend KRS 514.020 to include alteration, falsification, forgery, or misrepresentation of any instrument involving the conveyance or financing or real property as prima facie evidence of intent to commit theft by unlawful taking; amend KRS 514.030 to establish the penalty for theft of immovable property or real property; amend KRS 15.113 to direct the Attorney General to create notices and publications designed to inform and educate the public regarding the risks posed by deed fraud; amend KRS 15.231 to establish concurrent jurisdiction of the Attorney General with Commonwealth's attorneys and county attorneys for the prosecution of theft of unlawful taking involving real property; amend KRS 134.119 to require the sheriff of each county to include the publication prepared by the Attorney General in every notice to a taxpayer relating to the collection of property taxes; create a new section of KRS Chapter 67 to require each county clerk to establish a property owner notification service to notify owners of real property who register for the service when a document is recorded under the name of the property owner or the address of the property owner; establish that a county clerk shall not be liable for failure to provide notice.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB195 (BR1928) - S. West

AN ACT relating to medicinal cannabis.

Amend KRS 218B.020 to remove the requirement that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services collaborate with the University of Kentucky College of Medicine and the Kentucky Center for Cannabis in compiling an annual medicinal cannabis report.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

SB196 (BR1851) - S. West

AN ACT relating to nuclear energy. Amend KRS 278.610 to make technical corrections.

## & Energy (S)

## SB197 (BR1589) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Fire Commission.

Amend KRS 95A.265 to specify that grants will be allotted to local fire departments.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB198 (BR908) - D. Yates, M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the protection of veterans' benefits.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 40 to impose restrictions on persons seeking to receive compensation for advising or assisting with veterans' benefits claims; provide that attorneys and law firms seeking to receive compensation shall be governed by 38 C.F.R. sec.14.636.

### **SB198 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; define terms; add consulting agent, consulting firm, and consulting business to definition of "person"; include representation of veterans in the category of services being regulated; require accreditation for anyone seeking compensation for services being regulated: limit the amount of fees authorized to be charged for a successful outcome by attorneys governed under 38 C.F.R. sec. 14.636; exempt attorneys who are governed under 38 C.F.R. 14.636 from the prohibition against utilizing medical professionals for exams; include penalties for violations; allow the Office of the Attorney General to oversee penalties and promulgate administrative regulations as necessary; direct any funds received from penalties to be deposited and used as provided in KRS 186.1722; include severability clause; EMERGENCY. SCA1(M. Deneen) - Make title

amendment.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title) Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

## SB199 (BR968) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to loss of consortium. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a civil cause of action for loss of consortium by a child when the negligent or wrongful act of a third person caused the death or total and permanent disability of a parent.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB201 (BR1542) - P. Wheeler

shall not toll the time to appeal unless the petition for reconsideration is filed to correct a patent error in the order;

Chapter 216B.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate: to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources

AN ACT relating to workers compensation.

Amend KRS 342.213 to require the

commissioner of the Department of Workers' Claims to certify to the Workers' Compensation Nominating Committee that filing an administrative law judge position is necessary 150 days prior to the expiration of the term, add that the nominating committee may recommend the retention of a Workers' Compensation Board member and that each newly appointed member of the board shall not assume office until 30 days after confirmation; amend KRS 342.215 to provide that any board member appointed to fill an unexpired term shall assume office immediately for the remainder of the term; amend KRS 342.230 to provide that newly appointed administrative law judge shall not assume his or her office until June 1 following Senate confirmation and that any newly appointed administrative law judge appointed to fill any unexpired term shall immediately assume the office for the remainder of the term.

## **SB201 - AMENDMENTS**

SFA1(P. Wheeler) - Retain original provisions, except make technical correction.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday,

February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 35-0-1 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SB202 (BR1708) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations.

Amend KRS 13A.220 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing & Occupations (S); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB203 (BR1873) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to transportation. Amend KRS 186.230 and 186.120 to insert gender-neutral language; make technical correction.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

SB204 (BR1881) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 353.804 and 353.812 to make technical corrections and update committee references.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

## SB205 (BR1844) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to public utilities. Amend KRS 278.040 to make a technical correction.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

**SB206 (BR1862)/CI** - S. Rawlings, A. Reed, S. Funke Frommeyer, L. Tichenor, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.015, relating to campaign finance, to define terms; create new sections of KRS Chapter 121 to establish reporting and record retention requirements for political issues committees and persons making independent expenditures; prohibit political issues committees from knowingly and willfully soliciting or accepting contributions from prohibited sources; establish certification requirements for treasurers of political issues committees and donors making contributions and independent expenditures; define activity that creates a presumption of a violation; prohibit foreign nationals from making a donation, contribution, or expenditure, soliciting another person to make a donation, contribution, or expenditure, or participating in another person's decision to influence a ballot measure; establish a cause of action for accepting or soliciting contributions from prohibited sources and failing to certify, report, or retain records; establish a right of privacy in donations to tax-exempt organizations; establish a penalty for a state or local governmental entity, court, or officer of the court that violates the right of privacy; amend KRS 121.190 to require a "paid for by" disclosure for advertisements advocating or opposing a ballot measure.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

SB207 (BR1398)/FN - S. West, M. Nunn, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to public school innovation.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 156 to establish a procedure for a local board of education to submit a waiver request to the Kentucky Board of Education to waive a statute or administrative regulation; set the terms and limitations of a waivers; authorize the identification of schools of innovation and establish parameters for the status; establish procedures for the renewal of approved waivers; provide the conditions and procedure for rescinding waivers by the state board; authorize the promulgation of administrative regulations to adopt necessary forms and procedures to process waiver requests; amend various sections to conform; repeal KRS 156.108 and 160.107; provide that the Act may be cited as the School Innovation Act.

Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 1st reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Education (S)

## SB208 (BR1426) - S. West

AN ACT relating to the postsecondary education working group.

Amend KRS 164.092 to require the postsecondary education working group to meet in calendar year 2025 and every odd-numbered year thereafter.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB209 (BR1828) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to medical assistance.

Amend KRS 205.170 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Families & Children

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## SB210 (BR1827) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to adoption. Amend KRS 199.575 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

## SB211 (BR1878) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 353.804 and 353.812 to make technical corrections and update committee references.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB212 (BR1879) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to the environment. Amend KRS 350.028 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB213 (BR1675)/FN - G. Williams, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to compulsory attendance.

Amend KRS 159.030 to create an exemption for compulsory attendance in school for a child who is at least 16 years old and has obtained a High School Equivalency Diploma.

## SB213 - AMENDMENTS

SFA1(G. Williams) - Delete Section 1; amend KRS 159.030 to permit exception for compulsory attendance upon upon specified conditions; permit the state board to promulgate administrative regulations to establish qualifying apprenticeship opportunities and to specify opportunities to be included.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 27, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

#### SB214 (BR1863) - A. Mays Bledsoe

AN ACT relating to the governance of the Kentucky School for the Deaf. Amend KRS 167.017 to set timelines for appointment of a search committee for the superintendent of the Kentucky School for the Deaf and appointment of the superintendent; require prioritization of candidates that will be locally available and commit to full-time duties as superintendent; preclude Department of Education employees or Board of Education members from being appointed as superintendent within one year of employment or membership.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB215 (BR1654) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to economic development.

An Act amending KRS 154.26-050, relating to personal liability of director or officer to insert gender-neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

## SB216 (BR1882) - P. Wheeler

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 278.506 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB217 (BR1917) - G. Williams, S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to certificate of need. Amend KRS 216B.020 to add various health facilities and services to the list of health facilities and services that are exempt from certificate of need requirements; amend KRS 216B.065 to exempt various health facilities and services from acquisition of facilities or major medical equipment notification and certificate of need requirements; amend KRS 216.380 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

## SB218 (BR860)/FN/LM - A. Mays Bledsoe, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to reporting by local governments.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 132 to define terms; require the

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

specified conditions; amend KRS 158.143 to reduce eligibility for high school equivalency diploma to age 16 Department of Revenue to ensure that taxpayers can access financial information regarding local taxing

authorities, and to put that information on its website; specify the information that should be included for each type of local taxing authority; create a new section of KRS Chapter 65.900 to 65.925 to require a local government to publish its uniform financial information report on a website or to forward the report to its local county library, requiring a local government to submit information to the Department of Revenue regarding where its uniform financial information report can be accessed, and require publication of a notice that information can be accessed on the website of the Department of Revenue; express intent of the bill.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB219 (BR1709) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to sports wagering. Amend KRS 230.805 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB220 (BR1707) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to licensing. Amend KRS 236.097 to make technical changes.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB221 (BR482) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to marriage and family therapists.

Amend KRS 335.320 to require the board to enter into reciprocal agreements with boards of marriage and family therapy in other states; amend KRS 335.325 to remove permissive language relating to reciprocal agreements with other states.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB222 (BR1937) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to marriage and family therapists.

Amend KRS 335.330 to require the board to review and approve applications within the specified time frames and to issue licenses within two weeks of application completion date; amend KRS 335.332 to allow an approved acting supervisor to assume responsibility for an associate practitioner receiving qualifying experience; amend KRS 335.340 to require the board to issue renewal license within two weeks of request receipt; create a new section of KRS 335.300 to 335.399 to mandate reciprocal licensure of a practitioner licensed in another state when specified to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB223 (BR178) - K. Berg

AN ACT relating to radon safety. Amend KRS 309.432 to direct nine members to be appointed to the board; require two members to represent a public health organization; require one member to be a citizen at large that is not associated with or financially interested in the practice of radon measurement, mitigation, or laboratory analysis; amend KRS 309.434 to direct the board to promote the safety of radon measurement, mitigation, and laboratory analysis professionals in the Commonwealth.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SB224 (BR246) - K. Herron

AN ACT relating to interscholastic athletics.

Amend KRS 160.445 to require the Kentucky Board of Education or an agency designated to manage interscholastic athletics to include psychological concerns in the student athlete in sports safety courses for coaches.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

## SB225 (BR1875)/LM - K. Herron

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to voting rights. Propose to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky to automatically restore the voting rights of persons convicted of certain felonies upon completion of their imprisonment, probation, or parole and automatically restore their civil rights five years after completion of their imprisonment, probation, or parole; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB226 (BR1586)/CI/LM - K. Herron

AN ACT relating to pregnant inmates. Amend KRS 196.173 to allow an inmate who is known to be pregnant or who has given birth in the last six weeks access to reasonable accommodations for the provision of available certified professional midwifery services or doula services.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB227 (BR954) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to highway work

enforcement device," "owner,"

"program," and "recorded images": direct the Transportation Cabinet to establish a pilot program for automated speed enforcement in highway work zones and issue a civil citation to an operator of a motor vehicle traveling more than 10 miles per hour over the posted speed limit when a bona fide worker is present; establish procedures for citation issuance; direct the Transportation Cabinet to install signage and to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the program; establish civil fines for violations issued under the program; specify that all fines and penalties assessed be deposited into the automated speed enforcement fund; require the Transportation Cabinet to annually report to the Legislative Research Commission the status of the program; establish the automated speed enforcement fund; specify that moneys collected be used to defray the costs of administering the program; specify that any moneys collected in excess of program costs be deposited into the highway work zone safety fund and used for the purposes of that fund; provide that effective July 1, 2029.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SB228 (BR961) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverages. Create a new section of KRS Chapter

244 to require retail licensees to purchase liquor liability insurance.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing &

## Occupations (S)

## SB229 (BR1444)/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to buildings serving as temporary shelters in times of emergencies.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to allow owners of buildings to offer temporary shelter in times of emergency; require local governments to put notification procedures in place.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB230 (BR1897)/CI/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to driving under the influence of marijuana.

Amend KRS 189A.010 to create a per se limit for a blood level of tetrahydrocannabinol signifying intoxication; amend various sections of the KRS to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB231 (BR964)/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to codes of ethics for local governments. Amend KRS 65.003 to state that an appeal from a final order issued by a person or group responsible for enforcement of a code of ethics may be taken to the Circuit Court of the county in which that person or group is located; amend KRS 65.8831 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB232 (BR960)/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to insurance disclosures to dog bite and dog attack victims.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 258 to require insurance disclosures by dog owners, other persons, and insurers to persons alleging entitlement to damages resulting from a dog bite or dog attack; establish procedures for requesting additional information and amending disclosures; provide that disclosures shall not be construed as a waiver of certain rights or acceptance of liability; create a new section of Subtitle 12 of KRS Chapter 304 to require insurers and other persons subject to regulation under the Insurance Code to comply with insurance disclosure requirements.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

## SB233 (BR1599)/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 117.020 to allow the State Board of Elections to declare a county a preclearance county if there is a repeated administration of elections in a manner that jeopardizes the free and equal exercise of the franchise; amend KRS 117.022 to require an election manager receive a paid salary; clarify that an election manager shall not be incompatible with any other elected office or employment within the Commonwealth; amend KRS 117.155 to require the county clerk to verify that epoll books received all data reflecting a registered voter's voting status at the end of each day in-person absentee voting is conducted; require the State Board of Elections to promulgate administrative regulations to establish epoll book data necessary to determine voting status.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB234 (BR1633) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to non-compete clauses.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to define terms; make non-compete clauses unenforceable, and provide notice requirements.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

#### SB235 (BR953)/CI/LM - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to crisis aversion and

criteria are met.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

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Create new sections of KRS Chapter 189 to define "automated speed

rights retention orders.

Establish KRS Chapter 202D and create new sections thereof relating to

crisis aversion and rights retention orders; provide limitations on interpretation of the Act; define terms; allow law enforcement officers to petition a court to issue orders when a respondent presents an immediate and present danger of causing serious physical injury to themselves or others through purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm; establish procedures for the filing, review, hearing, service of process, termination, or renewal of the petition and orders; provide court processes and evidentiary standards; allow entry of the orders into law enforcement systems; prescribe issuance and service procedures for additional proceedings; establish procedures for the surrender, storage, transfer, and return of firearms; establish penalties for violations; allow for recognition and enforcement of foreign orders; amend KRS 431.076 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB236 (BR1927)/CI/LM - B. Smith

AN ACT relating to bench warrants. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 455 to limit the duration of bench warrants for failure to appear on a misdemeanor or violation.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

SB237 (BR1693)/LM - J. Howell, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to peace officer certification.

Amend KRS 15.382, relating to peace officer professional standards certification, to provide that a person who has previously been employed as a peace officer in another state and who meets certain criteria, shall not be required to pass a physical agility test; make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 05, 2025

## SB238 (BR1786) - J. Howell

AN ACT relating to agriculture. Amend KRS 247.4477 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

**SB239 (BR317)/CI/LM** - D. Douglas, G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to parentage fraud.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

**SB240 (BR324)** - D. Douglas, S. Funke Frommeyer, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to Ibogaine research in the Commonwealth.

Create new sections of KRS 218A to define terms; establish the intent of the General Assembly that ibogaine is worthy of clinical research, trials, and studies as a potential viable therapeutic treatment of opioid dependence and any other co-occurring mental health disorders; establish a trust and agency account entitled the ibogaine research fund; establish a process for private entities to apply to the Department of Agriculture for access to funds in the Ibogaine Research Fund.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

### SB241 (BR930) - D. Yates

AN ACT relating to autonomous vehicles.

Amend KRS 186.763 to extend the requirement for a human driver on a fully autonomous commercial vehicle in excess of 62,000 pounds from July 31, 2026 to July 31, 2031; prohibit school districts from using fully autonomous vehicles as school buses or to transport students; amend KRS 186.779 to allow units of local government to impose conditions on autonomous vehicle operation within their jurisdictions; amend KRS 186.766 and 281.655 to increase all insurance minimum requirement amounts from \$1 million to \$5 million for both personal and commercial vehicles.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

## SB242 (BR1787) - J. Howell

AN ACT relating to agriculture. Amend KRS 246.285 to add gender neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

SB243 (BR976) - K. Herron, G. Williams, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to hospital price

transparency. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 216B to define terms; require hospitals to disclose prices for certain items and services provided by hospitals; require hospitals to provide descriptions of different services and standard charges of those services; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations, monitor each facility's compliance, and provide administrative penalties; prohibit collective action of debt for noncompliant facilities.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

SB244 (BR1231) - J. Howell, D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to the operations of the Department of Law.

Amend KRS 15.010 to establish the Department of Child Support Services and the Office of Data Privacy in the Department of Law; amend KRS 15.111 to conform to existing law and recognize that the Office of Administrative Hearings is created under the Department of Law; amend KRS 15.802, 44.030, 156A.060, 186.570, 237.110, 248.664, and 403.135 and various sections of KRS Chapters 405, 406, and 407 to conform with the transfer of child support enforcement programs to the Department of Child Support Services in the Department of Law; amend various sections of KRS Chapters 199, 205, 211, 216, and 216B to conform with the duties assigned to the Office of Administrative Hearings within the Department of Law; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S) Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Judiciary

(S); 1st reading ; returned to Judiciary (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 05, 2025

## SB245 (BR1909) - B. Smith, G. Elkins

AN ACT relating to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 150.022 to require that a Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission member whose reappointment confirmation is declined by the Senate shall vacate his or her seat upon the date of sine die adjournment of the session in which the confirmation was declined.

#### **SB245 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; add an emergency clause; EMERGENCY. SCA1(B. Smith) - Make title amendment.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 33-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

## SB246 (BR1889)/LM - S. West, L.

Tichenor, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to conditions of employment.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 344 to require employers that mandate employee immunization to allow

which health care providers can support a medical exemption; require notice of exemptions; establish civil cause of action for violations and a claim under workers' compensation; amend KRS 344.040 to make it an unlawful practice for employers to require immunizations as a condition of employment from employees who hold sincere religious beliefs against immunization or for whom immunization would be harmful to his or her health; make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB247 (BR1698) - J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to transportation. Amend KRS 186.230 and 186.120 to conform to gender-neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SB248 (BR1876) - B. Smith

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 152.713 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB249 (BR1837) - R. Stivers

AN ACT relating to telecommunications. Amend KRS 278.546 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB251 (BR1836) - R. Stivers

AN ACT relating to reorganization. Amend KRS 12.028 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SB252 (BR1877) - B. Smith

AN ACT relating to the environment. Amend KRS 224.80-110 to make a technical correction.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB253 (BR174)/FN - J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to scholarships. Amend KRS 164.769 to remove repayment obligations from the teacher scholarship program; amend scholorship terms; provide that the scholarship amount shall not exceed the highest instate tuition rate for a teacher preparation program at a Kentucky public university; amend KRS 164.786 to add eligibility for high school freshmen and sophomores to the dual credit

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 530 to establish the crime of parentage fraud as a Class B misdemeanor. to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Health Services (S) exceptions based on religious belief or medical contraindication; provide sample form for employee affirmation; establish

scholarship program; require an approved dual credit course to be in the statewide general education core; permit up to 20 dual credit courses in a teacher and learning career pathway; provide that scholarships shall be awarded in order of application date; revise scholarship to allow two career and technical dual credit courses in each academic year of high school and two general education dual credit courses in the grades 11 and 12; amend KRS 164.787 to conform; repeal KRS 164.771, relating to the Teacher **Recruitment Student Loan Forgiveness** Pilot Program, effective June 30, 2026; provide that funds appropriated to the Teacher Recruitment Student Loan Forgiveness Pilot Program shall be disbursed through the teacher scholarship program on and after June 30, 2026; EFFECTIVE, in part, June 30, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB254 (BR1700) - J. Carpenter

AN ACT relating to insurance. Amend KRS 304.5-150 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

## SB255 (BR1702) - J. Carpenter

AN ACT relating to financial institutions. Amend KRS 286.3-380 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

## SB256 (BR1701) - J. Carpenter

AN ACT relating to insurance. Amend KRS 304.48-080 to replace a reference to the executive director with the commissioner.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

**SB257 (BR1763)** - L. Tichenor, G. Williams, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, J. Higdon, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, S. West, P. Wheeler, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to the Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 43 to establish the Office of Government Efficiency within the Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts; specify duties; direct the Auditor of Public Accounts to report to the Legislative Research Commission on estimates of operational costs; create the organizational structure under the to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 1st reading ; returned to State & Local Government (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 2nd reading ; returned to State & Local Government (S)

SB258 (BR412) - L. Tichenor, S. West, R. Mills, M. Nunn, P. Wheeler, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to Kentucky residency in the postsecondary educational system. Amend KRS 164.020 to define Kentucky residency in the postsecondary education system to require a student to be a citizen, national resident, or permanent resident.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

SB259 (BR1839) - M. Wise

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 224.10-225 to make grammatical correction and gender conformity.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SB260 (BR1838) - M. Wise

AN ACT relating to cybersecurity. Amend KRS 39G.030 to require the executive director of the Office of Homeland Security to submit monthly reports to the Legislative Research Commission and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

**SB261 (BR1382)/CI/LM** - D. Yates, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, G. Neal, C. Richardson, R. Thomas, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to alcohol and drug counselors.

Amend KRS 532.045, relating to defendants prohibited from probation, to include alcohol and drug counselors licensed or certified under KRS Chapter 309 in the definition of "position of authority."

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

## SB262 (BR316)/CI - G. Neal

AN ACT relating to wrongful conviction compensation. Create new sections of KRS Chapter

411 to establish a cause of action for a person who was wrongfully convicted of a felony in the Commonwealth; specify amounts of damages that may be awarded to claimants; establish the wrongful conviction compensation fund.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## SB263 (BR1127) - K. Herron

AN ACT relating to unemployment insurance.

Amend KRS 341.350, relating to unemployment insurance benefits, to reduce the required weekly work search activites from five to three and to state that applications to and interviews with different locations of the same franchise constitute separate work searches.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

## SB264 (BR1587)/LM - K. Herron

AN ACT relating to interrogation of children.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 610 to define terms; prohibit a child from being interrogated using deceptive methods; create a new rule of evidence to limit the admissibility of statements made in the interrogation of a child in violation of statute.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## SB265 (BR41) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to mobile services. Amend KRS 317.410 to define "mobile barber shop"; amend KRS 317.420 to restrict a person from operating a mobile barber shop without being licensed by the Kentucky Board of Barbering; amend KRS 317.430 to authorize the board to govern mobile barber shops; amend KRS 317.440 to direct the board to promulgate administrative regulations governing the location and housing of mobile barber shops, requirements regarding its operation, and inspection criteria for mobile barber shops; direct the board to establish on its website a system that allows licensees to report the location or change in location of a mobile barber shop; amend KRS 317.450 to require the board to issue a license to operate a mobile barber shop to any barber who is licensed under KRS Chapter 317 and meets the requirements of administrative regulations promulgated by the board; amend KRS 317.580 to require a mobile barber shop to have a sink with hot and cold running water; amend KRS 317A.010 to define "mobile beauty salon," "mobile esthetic salon," "mobile nail salon," and "mobile limited beauty salon"; amend KRS 317A.020 to prohibit a person from operating a mobile salon without a license issued by the board; direct the board to establish on its website a system that allows licensees to report the location or change in location of a mobile mobile salon; amend KRS 317A.030 to authorize the Board of Cosmetology to regulate mobile salons; amend KRS 317A.050 to authorize the

administrative regulations to establish standards for the location and housing of mobile salons; establish sanitation and inspection criteria for mobile salons.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

SB266 (BR1887) - A. Reed, C. McDaniel, J. Carpenter, D. Carroll, M. Deneen, R. Girdler, J. Higdon, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, R. Stivers, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, S. West, G. Williams, D. Yates

AN ACT relating to the Department of Kentucky State Police.

Amend KRS 16.060 to allow the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State police to authorize officers of the department to engage in law enforcement-related off-duty employment; require the commissioner to establish policies and procedures for off-duty employment; amend KRS 16.070 to require the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police to establish policies and procedures related to the use of uniforms, equipment, and facilities for off-duty employment; amend KRS 44.045 to allow officers of the Department of Kentucky State Police to use motor vehicles with regular license plates for off-duty employment.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S); 1st reading ; returned to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SB267 (BR1777) - A. Reed, J. Carpenter, D. Douglas, R. Girdler, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, R. Stivers, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky State Police.

Amend KRS 16.170 to permit officers and individuals employed as a Trooper R Class or CVE R Class to participate in political activities while off duty; define what constitutes a political activity; establish guidelines for participation; amend KRS 16.195 and 16.070 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SB268 (BR1369) - A. Reed, G. Williams, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, R. Girdler, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, R. Stivers, L. Tichenor, S. West

AN ACT relating to virtual education. Prohibit the commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education, the Kentucky Board of Education, and the Kentucky Department of Education from establishing or implementing, or

Auditor; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

board to issue licenses to operate mobile salons; amend KRS 317A.060 to require the board to promulgate requiring a school district to implement, any cap, limitation, or restriction on enrollment for a virtual program; prohibit the Kentucky Department of Education and the Kentucky Board of Education from reducing or withholding any funds due to a school district from the fund to Support Education Excellence in Kentucky based on the district's operation of a virtual program; sunset prohibitions on June 30, 2026.

## SB268 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; change the sunset date for the virtual program from 2026 to 2028; amend KRS 157.320 to define "virtual program"; amend KRS 157.360 to include virtual programs in the exclusion for class size loads of 150 pupil hours per day for a teacher; amend KRS 158.120 to establish nonresident pupil enrollment limitations for a district's virtual program; establish that no further nonresident pupil enrollments shall occur after June 30, 2028.

SFA1(C. McDaniel) - Amend KRS 157.360 to adjust each district's base funding level based on nonresident virtual program pupil enrollment; create a new section of KRS Chapter 157 to establish definitions and provide how a school district's guaranteed base funding level shall be adjusted based on nonresident pupil enrollment in a virtual program.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Education (S)

Feb 25, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 1st reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Education (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

## SB269 (BR1886) - A. Reed

AN ACT relating to the regulation of nicotine products and declaring an emergency.

Suspend KRS 241.060, 438.305, 438.306, 438.307, 438.308, 438.309, 438.310, 438.312, 438.313, 438.316, and 438.331 that were enacted in 2024 Ky. Acts ch. 111 until April 15, 2026; RETROACTIVE to January 1, 2025; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

SB313 (BR1484) - P. Wheeler, C. Richardson

AN ACT relating to dates of recognition.

Amend KRS 2.112 to designate June of each year as "Kentucky History Month" in Kentucky. Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S); taken from Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S); 1st reading ; returned to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 07, 2025

Feb 07, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day Feb 11, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0

Feb 12, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

# Senate Resolutions

## SR1 (BR809) - M. Wise

Establish the 2025 membership of the Kentucky State Senate.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR2 (BR808) - M. Wise

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2025 Regular Session of the Senate.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR3 (BR810) - M. Wise

Extend an invitation to the pastors of Frankfort churches to open sessions of the 2025 Regular Session with prayer.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

#### SR4 (BR811) - M. Wise

Appoint a committee to wait upon the Governor.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

## SR6 (BR414) - M. Wise

Honor AI Cross upon his retirement from the University of Kentucky.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR7 (BR271) - M. Wise

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of Brenda Gupton Allen.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR8 (BR865) - B. Storm, R. Stivers

Robinson.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR9 (BR113) - R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Father Norman Anthony Fischer, Jr.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 28, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

### SR11 (BR86) - R. Thomas

Honor Kenny McPeek for becoming the first trainer since 1952 to win the Kentucky Oaks and the Kentucky Derby in the same year.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR12 (BR928) - R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Quaynell DuRon King.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 11, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

#### SR13 (BR313) - R. Thomas

Recognize Bill Bryant for 40 years of service with WKYT-TV.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SJR14 (BR182) - M. Deneen

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of United States Route 31 West Bypass in Hardin County as the "Billy and Kathy Edwards Memorial Highway."

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SR16 (BR75) - S. West

Observe and recognize the importance of the National Day of Prayer.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR17 (BR76) - S. West

Recognize May 2025 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month in Kentucky.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR18 (BR485) - G. Neal

Urge the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to explore and implement strategies to maximize the utilization of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and

#### Training program.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 09, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

**SJR19 (BR183)** - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

Reaffirm the sovereignty of Kentucky; affirm the sovereign right of Kentucky to nullify unconstitutional acts of the federal government; direct the Attorney General to challenge all unconstitutional acts of the federal government that usurp or diminish the sovereignty of Kentucky; provide that the General Assembly may enact legislation nullifying unconstitutional acts that undermine Kentucky's sovereignty.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 10, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SCR20 (BR1089) - M. Wise

Provide that when the Senate and the House of Representatives adjourn the first part of the 2025 Regular Session, they adjourn until February 4, 2025, when the second part of the 2025 Regular Session shall convene.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 10, 2025 - adopted by voice vote; received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

SR21 (BR1134) - M. Wise, D. Givens, J. Higdon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Barry Bertram.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 07, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SR22 (BR1148) - G. Neal, J. Adams, K. Berg, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, D. Givens, K. Herron, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, C. McDaniel, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, A. Reed, C. Richardson, B. Smith, R. Stivers, B. Storm, R. Thomas, R. Webb, S. West, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson, M. Wise, D. Yates

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of former President Jimmy Carter.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

## SCR23 (BR906) - D. Yates, S. West

Urge Kentucky's congressional delegation to support amending the Gun Control Act of 1968 to remove the firearms restrictions on users of medical cannabis.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); to

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of Senator Albert

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SR24 (BR1352) - M. Wise, A. Mays Bledsoe

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Dr. John Stempel.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SJR25 (BR1175) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, B. Storm, S. West, D. Yates

Direct the Department of Revenue to evaluate and report on the cost of production of physical agricultural tax exemption cards; require the report be submitted to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 06, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 36-0

Feb 25, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

**SJR26 (BR1291)** - C. Richardson, J. Carpenter, R. Girdler, D. Givens, S. Rawlings, M. Wilson

Direct the Department for Medicaid Services to provide the Legislative Research Commission with a report regarding pharmacist payment parity.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Health Services (S) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 14, 2025

Feb 14, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 34-0

Feb 18, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## SR27 (BR1174) - J. Adams

Recognize and support the Kentucky Science & Technology Corporation, the University of Kentucky, and the University of Louisville for their accepted preliminary proposals for funding from the National Science Foundation's Regional Innovation Engines program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Senate Floor; adopted by voice vote

SJR28 (BR1267) - J. Adams, L. Tichenor

parts of Oldham and Bullitt Counties; direct the Energy and Environment Cabinet to adopt revisions to the state air quality implementation plan to remove the reformulated gas requirement for Jefferson County and applicable parts of Oldham and Bullitt Counties; specify required elements of the revisions; require the Energy and Environment Cabinet to report on the status of the revisions to the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Energy no later than October 31, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (S) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 37-0

Feb 26, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

SR29 (BR1158) - C. Armstrong

Commemorating Senator Keturah Herron on being the second African American woman to serve in the Kentucky Senate.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SR30 (BR1456) - K. Herron

Recognize February 5, 2025, as Recovery Advocacy Day in the Commonwealth.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 05, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SR31 (BR1289) - R. Stivers, B. Storm

Honor and recognize Forcht Bank on the occasion of its 40th Anniversary.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 19, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SR32 (BR1377) - R. Webb, J. Adams

Support increased awareness of tickborne diseases and illnesses in Kentucky.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR33 (BR1420) - A. Mays Bledsoe, R. Thomas

Recognize and honor Kentucky American Water for its contributions to the prosperity of Kentucky upon its 140th anniversary.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor Frommeyer, C. McDaniel, G. Neal, S. Rawlings, R. Stivers, G. Williams

Adjourn in honor of Patrick "Pat" J. Crowley.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 26, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SCR35 (BR347) - L. Tichenor

Urge the United States Congress to oppose the United Nations Pact for the Future.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SR36 (BR1427) - L. Tichenor

Proclaim February 6, 2025, as Kentucky Nurses Day and adjourn in honor of Kentucky nurses.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor;

adopted by voice vote

SR37 (BR1325) - L. Tichenor

Recognize January 27, 2025, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor

Feb 26, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR38 (BR1288) - A. Reed

Honor the life and accomplishments of former Kentucky State Representative Thomas Martin Jones.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 07, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR39 (BR1202) - D. Yates

Recognize February 14, 2025, as Wear Green for Gastroparesis Day.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 06, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 14, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR40 (BR1503) - J. Adams

Recognize February 5, 2025, as Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Day in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR41 (BR440) - R. Stivers, A. Mays Bledsoe

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Reverend Dr. Danny Philpot.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

## SR42 (BR1152) - K. Berg

Honor the Louisville Academy of Music for winning the Governor's Award in the Arts for Education.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 13, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SCR43 (BR1311)/FN - S. West, D. Yates

Express support for the Southern Regional Education Board's Crisis Recovery Support Network.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 07, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 37-0 Feb 20, 2025 - received in House ; to

Committee on Committees (H)

## SR44 (BR1363) - G. Neal

Honor the 21st Black History Celebration and recognize that Black history is American history.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Senate Floor; adopted by voice vote

## SR45 (BR1488) - G. Elkins

Honor the George Rogers Clark High School JROTC for their victory at the 2024 United States Army Cadet Command Junior ROTC Raider Challenge.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 27, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR46 (BR1490) - D. Givens

Honor Blueprint for Kentucky's Children and adjourn on March 5th, 2025, in honor of Children's Advocacy Day.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR47 (BR1360) - A. Mays Bledsoe, R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of James Edward "Ted" Bassett III.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 11, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR48 (BR1541) - R. Girdler

Recognize February 2025, as Career and Technical Education Month and February 11, 2025, as Career and Technical Education Student Leadership

Request the Governor petition the EPA to remove the reformulated gas requirement in Jefferson County and Feb 27, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SCR34 (BR1161) - S. Funke

to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 25, 2025 - adopted by voice vote Day.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate;

adopted by voice vote

#### SR49 (BR1016) - J. Adams

Honor Hosparus Health for its fourth overall ranking among the 50 largest hospices in the nation.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 12, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SCR51 (BR1565) - R. Webb

Commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Sport Fish Restoration Program as part of the American system of conservation funding.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

## SR52 (BR1635) - L. Tichenor

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Larry "Smokey" Dodson.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR53 (BR1467) - G. Neal

Honor the Tenth Street Cardinals, 2024 D1 Nation 10U national champions.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; adopted by voice vote

SR54 (BR1692) - A. Mays Bledsoe, P. Wheeler

Recognize February 13, 2025, as Kentucky Arts Day.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 13, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SJR55 (BR934) - L. Tichenor, R. Mills

Direct the governing board of public postsecondary education institutions to adopt policies to combat antisemitism and require implementation until June 30, 2028; establish the requirements for the policies; require each institution to report data collected through policies to the Council on Postsecondary Education; and require the Council on Postsecondary Education to compile and report data to the Legislative Research Commission.

## SJR55 - AMENDMENTS

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; require public postsecondary education institutions to incorporate the definition of antisemitism recognized in 2021 Regular Session Senate Resolution 67; expand inclusion of Jewish organizations as community resources for students. SFA1(L. Tichenor) - Retain original provisions; require public postsecondary education institutions to use the definition of "antisemitism" recognized in Senate Resolution 67 from the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly as guidance in compliance harassment policies.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Education (S) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1) Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 35-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SR56 (BR1453) - D. Yates

Recognize and honor Dung Tran for converting his business to a pop-up shelter during the winter storms.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Senate Floor

### SR57 (BR1650) - S. Meredith

Honor 2025 Kentucky Superintendent of the Year, Dr. Nick Carter.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 25, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SJR58 (BR1579) - P. Wheeler, R. Mills

Apply to Congress under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States for the calling of a convention of the states limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraint on the federal government, limit the powers and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and members of Congress; direct the Secretary of State to send copies of the joint resolution to certain federal and state officials; state that the application should be continuing until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the states have made applications on the subject.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## SJR59 (BR1537) - G. Williams

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Kentucky National Guard Memorial Highway in Franklin County and erect appropriate signs.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SR60 (BR1739) - J. Higdon

Honor Dr. Leslie Cecil the 2024-2025 President of the Kentucky Optometric Association. Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 19, 2025 - to Senate Floor

Feb 20, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

SCR61 (BR1577) - S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Stivers, J. Adams, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, J. Higdon, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, S. West, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson

State the General Assembly's support for the goals of the Make America Healthy Again movement; establish the Make America Healthy Again Kentucky Task Force to integrate the principles of the Make America Healthy Again movement; establish task force membership; require the task force to submit a report with recommendations to the Governor and the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

## **SCR61 - AMENDMENTS**

SCS1 - Retain original provisions except; remove nonlegislative members of the task force; add one member from each chamber appointed by the minority floor leaders; require the recommendations of the task force be sent to the Interim Joint Committee on Families and Children rather than the Interim Joint Committee on Health Services.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, adopted 37-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - received in House ; to Committee on Committees (H)

## SJR62 (BR1852) - P. Wheeler

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Preece Brothers WWII Veterans Memorial Highway on Kentucky Route 908 in Martin County and erect appropriate signage.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SR63 (BR1907) - M. Wise

Recognize March 6, 2025, as Suits and Sneakers Day; honor those impacted by cancer.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR64 (BR1661) - D. Carroll

Adjourn in honor and celebration of Dr. Matthew Milliner.

## SJR65 (BR1388) - R. Girdler

Designate a portion of Kentucky Route 914 in Pulaski County as the Faye Cain Sears Memorial Highway.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## **SJR66 (BR1391)** - S. Funke Frommeyer, D. Douglas

Create the legislative Air Mobility and Aviation Economic Development Task Force to study innovations in aviation and advanced air mobility, actions taken by other states to support this technology, Kentucky's ability to attract aviation and aerospace-related economic development, industry trends, and actions Kentucky should take to support aviation growth and aviationrelated economic development in the Commonwealth; establish membership; direct the task force to meet during the 2025 Interim and to submit findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

SCR67 (BR150) - R. Webb, M. Deneen, G. Elkins, K. Herron, R. Mills

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Disaster Prevention and Resiliency Task Force to study disaster mitigation, infrastructure resilience, and planning for natural disasters that impact the Commonwealth; require the task force to submit its report to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

SJR68 (BR1378) - S. Madon, P. Wheeler, J. Adams, M. Deneen, G. Elkins, R. Girdler, D. Givens, J. Higdon, A. Mays Bledsoe, C. McDaniel, R. Mills, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, S. West, M. Wilson, M. Wise

Designate a portion of Kentucky Route 221 in Harlan County as the Johnnie L. Turner Memorial Highway in Harlan County.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

#### SR69 (BR1846) - M. Deneen

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Kayi Lewis.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 21, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

with the First Amendment; require institutions to include notice to students of the institution's student-on-student Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SJR70 (BR949) - K. Herron

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force to study the causes of and examine ways to prevent gun violence; establish task force membership; require the task force to meet at least once per month during the 2025 Interim; require the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate: to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

## SJR71 (BR1853) - P. Wheeler

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Coach Philip Haywood Memorial Highway on United States Highway 119 in Pike County and erect appropriate signage.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SJR72 (BR1117) - B. Smith

Direct the Kentucky Office of the Attorney General to create a Threat Response and Accountability Task Force to determine the chain of command and accountability matrix for a critical incident; establish task force membership; require the task force to submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission by January 1, 2026; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

#### SR73 (BR1742) - A. Mays Bledsoe

Honor Ashley Gorley upon his induction into the Songwriters Hall of Fame on June 12, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SJR74 (BR1543) - G. Neal

Designate the overpass on Kentucky Route 841 at mile point 3 in Jefferson County as the Stephen "Trey" Coleman III Memorial Overpass.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

## SCR76 (BR1864) - A. Mays Bledsoe

Establish the Kentucky School for the Deaf Governance Task Force; establish duties and membership; direct the task force to study optimal governance models for the Kentucky School for the Deaf, including by a possible independent board of education.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Honor the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet response teams for the outstanding work they provided in helping the North Carolina Department of Transportation rebuild roadways after the devastating floods that occurred in the fall of 2024.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR78 (BR1872) - M. Deneen

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of James Dion Deneen.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 21, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR79 (BR1568) - P. Wheeler

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of longtime Belfry High School Football Coach Philip Haywood.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR80 (BR1452) - D. Yates

Honor Brandon Malone for his heroic actions that saved the lives of two young girls at McNeely Lake.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR81 (BR1958) - G. Williams

Recognize February 16 to 22, 2025, as Engineers Week in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in Senate; adopted by voice vote

SR82 (BR1793) - C. Armstrong

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of Susan Maureen Brothers Mayo.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 25, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR83 (BR1951) - S. Funke Frommeyer

Recognize and commend Marie Fleeman Courts for her exceptional service to her community and family and for 75 years of active membership in homemakers clubs.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Senate Floor Feb 28, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR84 (BR1845) - M. Deneen

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of former Senator Elizabeth Jean Tori.

Feb 28, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR85 (BR1949) - P. Wheeler

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Ryan Lee Sammons.

Feb 21, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - to Senate Floor

### SR86 (BR1695) - R. Stivers

Recognize Nolan Group Media's 100th year in business.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR87 (BR1699) - M. Wilson

Recognize July 11, 2025, as Srebrenica Day in the Commonwealth and honor Kentucky's Bosnian community and victims of genocide in July 1995.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - to Senate Floor

Feb 27, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR88 (BR1977) - S. Madon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Harold Gibbons.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SCR89 (BR1970) - J. Higdon, K. Herron

Establish the Kentucky Restoration of Voting Rights Task Force to review, study, and recommend language for a constitutional amendment or statutory change to restore voting rights to individuals with felony convictions who have completed their sentences; establish task force membership; require the task force to submit a report with recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

SCR90 (BR1976) - A. Mays Bledsoe, R. Thomas, J. Carpenter, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, M. Nunn, S. West

Recognize Lexington-Fayette County on the occasion of the 250th anniversary of its founding.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

## SR91 (BR1925) - J. Adams

Recognize and commend Bowman Skunk Works.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Senate Floor

Muhlenberg County High School Cheerleaders at the National High School Cheerleading Championship.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - adopted by voice vote ; to Senate Floor

## SR93 (BR1978) - B. Smith, S. Madon

Adjourn the Senate in honor and loving memory of former State Representative Pearl Ray Lefevers.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR94 (BR1986) - R. Webb

Recognize February 26, 2025, as Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Day in Kentucky.

Feb 26, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR95 (BR1975) - R. Webb, R. Girdler

Commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Sport Fish Restoration Program as part of the American System of Conservation Funding.

Feb 26, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR96 (BR1983) - M. Wise

Recognize Ginger High Colvin upon the occasion of her 500th victory as head coach of the Campbellsville University Lady Tigers women's basketball team.

Feb 26. 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Senate Floor

SR97 (BR1985) - S. Funke Frommeyer

Recognize the outstanding achievements of the Highlands High School varsity dance team at the National Dance Alliance High School Nationals.

Feb 26, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Senate Floor; adopted by voice vote

## SR98 (BR1981) - A. Mays Bledsoe

Recognize November 2025 as Grieving Children and Families Month in Kentucky.

Feb 26, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Senate Floor

## SR99 (BR1993) - B. Storm

Recognize April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Feb 27, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

SR77 (BR1413) - J. Higdon

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in Senate: to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Senate Floor

**SR92 (BR1984)** - C. Richardsor

Celebrate the first place win by the

SR101 (BR1991) - M. Wise

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Peter E. Brown.

Feb 28, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR102 (BR1994) - R. Stivers

Recognize and honor Dr. Robert "Bob" L. Jackson upon his retirement as president of Murray State University.

Feb 28, 2025 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

# **House Bills**

HB1 (BR195)/FN - J. Petrie, S. Rudy, K. Banta, J. Bauman, A. Bowling, J. Branscum, J. Bray, R. Bridges, E. Callaway, M. Clines, S. Dietz, D. Elliott, P. Flannery, K. Fleming, C. Freeland, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, V. Grossl, D. Hale, T. Hampton, M. Hart, S. Heavrin, T. Huff, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, K. King, M. Koch, W. Lawrence, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, B. McCool, S. McPherson, D. Meade, S. Miles, A. Neighbors, J. Nemes, D. Osborne, J. Payne, S. Riley, T. Roberts, T. Smith, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, T. Truett, K. Upchurch, M. Whitaker, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to the individual income tax rate.

Amend KRS 141.020 to reduce the individual income tax rate from 4% to 3.5% for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

## HB1 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1/FN(C. Aull) - Retain original provisions; and create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to allow a school employee qualified wage exclusion and establish a school employee tax credit for wages earned in excess of \$100,000 per taxable year; amend KRS 141.019 to include the exemption; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the exemption and tax credit.

HFA2(C. Aull) - Make title amendment. HFA3/FN(E. Hancock) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 141.019 to exclude all income earned from all sources by a state service employee for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

HFA4(E. Hancock) - Make title amendment.

HFA5(S. Doan) - Amend KRS 141.020 to reduce the individual income tax rate by one percentage point for each taxable year, starting with a rate of 3% for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.

HFA6/FN(A. Moore) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 141.019 to exclude income earned by veterans. HFA7(A. Moore) - Make title amendment.

HFA8/FN(A. Camuel) - Amend KRS 141.020 to create graduated tax rates based on income for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026. HFA9/FN(R. Roarx) - Retain original HFA10(R. Roarx) - Make title amendment.

HFA11/FN(A. Donworth) - Delete original provisions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable Kentucky child tax credit for taxpayers with qualifying children under the age of six; authorize a maximum credit of \$1,000 per qualifying child for individuals with income below \$50,000 for single taxpayers and \$100,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly; authorize individuals with incomes above the specified thresholds to be eligible for a reduced child tax credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the tax credit. SFA1/FN(G. Williams) - Delete all original provisions; amend KRS 141.020 to establish individual income tax rate reductions starting with taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, through January 1, 2030. SFA2(G. Williams) - Retain original provisions; insert additional percentages by which future individual income tax rates may be reduced.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H); to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Jan 08, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; floor amendments (1), (2-title), (3), (4-title), (5), (6), (7-title), (8), (9), (10-title) and (11) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, January 09, 2025

Jan 09, 2025 - 3rd reading ; Floor Amendment (8) defeated; floor amendment (5) ruled out of order; floor amendment (11) ruled not germane; passed 90-7 ; received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S); taken from Committee on Committees (S); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (S)

Jan 10, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; taken from Committee on Committees (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (S); to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

Feb 04, 2025 - reported favorably, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 04, 2025 ; floor amendment (2) filed; 3rd reading ; floor amendment withdrawn Floor Amendment (1) ; passed 34-3 ; received in House ; enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House

Feb 05, 2025 - enrolled, signed by President of the Senate ; delivered to Governor

Feb 06, 2025 - signed by Governor (Acts Ch. 1)

HB2 (BR1092) - T. Roberts, J. Petrie, A. Bowling, J. Branscum, S. Bratcher, J. Bray, J. Calloway, J. Decker, D. Elliott, C. Freeland, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, V. Grossl, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, T. Huff, DJ Johnson, D. Lewis, C. Massaroni, D. Meade , S. Miles, K. Moser, D. Osborne, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, S. Rudy, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to the taxation of currency and bullion currency and declaring an emergency.

Finance and Administration Cabinet or the commissioner of the Department of Revenue improperly instructs that taxpayers should continue to collect and remit sales and use tax on currency or bullion currency, allow the taxpayer to file an action for refund in Circuit Court, and entitle the taxpayer to interest, injunctive relief, attorney's fees and costs, and liquidated damages of \$1,000 for each day that the violation occurred; RETROACTIVE; EMERGENCY.

## **HB2 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions with the following changes: provide for joint and several liability; make various technical corrections; limit retroactivity to apply to provision allowing claims for tax refunds in subsection (2) of Section 1 of the Act; EMERGENCY.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

76-17 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB3 (BR939) - A. Neighbors, S. Bratcher, B. Chester-Burton, M. Clines, J. Decker, S. Dietz, R. Duvall, P. Flannery, C. Fugate, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, W. Lawrence, D. Lewis, M. Meredith, K. Moser, M. Pollock, R. Raymer, S. Riley, S. Sharp, T. Smith, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to reimbursement for pharmacist services.

Amend KRS 205.522 and 205.6485 to require Medicaid and KCHIP to comply with pharmacy reimbursement requirements established in KRS 304.12-237; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the department to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; and require the cabinet to comply with KRS 205.525.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB4 (BR193) - J. Decker, M. Lockett, S. Baker, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, D. Elliott, D. Fister, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, M. Imes, K. King, C. Massaroni, S. McPherson, M. Proctor, T. Roberts, N. Tate, J. Tipton, T. Truett, M. Whitaker, R. White

AN ACT relating to postsecondary institutions.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms; prohibit a public postsecondary education institution from providing differential treatment or benefits on the basis of an individual's religion, race, sex, color, or national origin; from influencing the composition implementing a student housing assignment plan on the basis of religion, race, color, or national origin with designated exceptions; from expending any resources on diversity, equity, and inclusion, the promotion of discriminatory topics, or bias incident investigations; from soliciting statements on an applicant's experience with or views on religion, race, sex, color, or national origin; from requiring a course dedicated to discriminatory concepts; or disseminating or profiting from any research, work product, or material that promotes or justifies discriminatory concepts; prohibit a public postsecondary education institution from requiring any individual to endorse or condemn a specific ideology or viewpoint; prohibit the Council on Postsecondary Education from providing differential treatment or benefits on the basis of an individual's religion, race, sex, color, or national origin or from expending any resources on diversity, equity, and inclusion or discriminatory topics; establish exclusions for legal compliance; require each governing board of a public postsecondary education institution to ensure compliance with specific sections of this Act no later than June 30, 2025; authorize the Attorney General to bring an action for a writ of mandamus to compel the council or a public postsecondary education institution to comply; create a cause of action to permit a qualified individual to file a civil action against council or a public postsecondary education institution for injunctive relief and limited damages arising from a violation of certain sections of this Act; waive sovereign and governmental immunity for the limited purpose of bringing this claim; prohibit retaliation; require each public postsecondary education institution to submit and publish a certified annual report on governmentally mandated discrimination to the Legislative Research Commission by October 1 each year; provide that a public postsecondary education institution or the council cannot claim a federal, state, judicial, contractual, or accreditation mandate as a defense to a civil action filed under this Act unless the policy, practice, or procedure upon which the complaint is founded is listed and clearly and accurately described in the public institution's annual report filed in accordance with this Act; require each public postsecondary education institution to provide the Personnel Cabinet and State Treasurer the name, job title, duty station, and salary or wages of each employee each month beginning January 1, 2025, and to post its itemized annual budget; amend KRS 164.020 to prohibit the Council on Postsecondary Education from approving a degree, certificate, or diploma program that includes discriminatory concepts or diversity, equity, and inclusion iniatives; amend KRS 164.011, 164.131, 164.321, and 164.821 to conform; direct the Council on Postsecondary Education to consider certain enumerated conditions when considering the elimination of an existing program; direct each public

provisions; amend KRS 139.200 to remove certain services for which sales tax is imposed upon. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to create a violation when an official notice published by the secretary of the of the student body or scholarship recipients on the basis of religion, race, sex, color, or national origin; from the Council on Postsecondary Education to discontinue designated programs and follow designated procedures when

postsecondary education institution and

implementing this Act; provide specific instructions for public postsecondary education institutions and the Council on Postsecondary Education to follow in implementing this Act; direct public postsecondary education institutions and the council to submit a report on implementation of this Act.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from

Postsecondary Education (H); 1st reading ; returned to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB5 (BR424)/CI/LM - K. Moser, D. Lewis, J. Decker, K. King, M. Lockett, S. Rudy, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to correctional facilities.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 15A, relating to juvenile detention facilities, to direct that all incarcerated youth are subject to search at any time and to require separate bathrooms and sleeping quarters for males and females; create new sections of KRS Chapter 197, relating to penitentiaries, to direct that all prisoners are subject to search at any time, require separate bathrooms and sleeping quarters for males and females, and to prohibit the Department of Corrections from providing cosmetic procedures or initiating cross-sex hormones for a prisoner; create new sections of KRS Chapter 441, relating to jails, to direct that all jail inmates are subject to search at any time and to require separate bathrooms and sleeping quarters for males and females.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

**HB6 (BR191)** - W. Williams, K. Banta, K. Fleming, K. Moser, T. Roberts, S. Rudy, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 13A.010 to redefine "major economic impact"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 13A to establish limitations on the authority of an administrative body to promulgate administrative regulations; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 13A to conform; EMERGENCY; EFFECTIVE March 31, 2025.

## **HB6 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(W. Williams) - Require an administrative body to possess statutory authority to promulgate administrative regulations in a particular subject matter in order to promulgate generally; make technical corrections.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for 75-19 with Floor Amendment (1)

**HB7 (BR350)** - J. Bray, J. Petrie, A. Bowling, S. McPherson

AN ACT relating to housing development districts.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; permit a local government to establish a housing development district by following specified procedure; allow a local government to exempt housing developments within the district from planning and zoning following a public hearing; permit other local taxing authorities to participate in the district; allow a local government to accept applications from developers to construct residential homes within the district; allow a local government to negotiate with a developer whose application it has accepted regarding rates associated with incentive payments to the developer; establish a means by which a developer shall be paid incentive payments by a local government; require area development districts to provide assistance to a local government in establishing a district; require the Cabinet for Economic Development to promote awareness of the district and incentive program and to provide a report to the LRC regarding utilization of the program.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB8 (BR249) - J. Petrie, S. Lewis, A. Bowling, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 158.645 to modify language on core capacities, specify the intent of K-5 education, and define terms; amend KRS 156.070 to give the state board the responsibility for adopting or rejecting the state academic standards, adopting or rejecting instructional materials collections, setting a timeline for adoption updates, and ensuring alignment of academics across the state; create a new section of KRS Chapter 156 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to deconstruct the approved academic standards and provide free guides to districts with sample curricula; amend KRS 156.395 to define instructional materials collections; amend KRS 156.405 to change the State Textbook Commission into the State Instructional Materials Council, require the State Instructional Materials Council to recommend instructional materials collections to the state board for adoption; amend KRS 156.415 to conform; amend KRS 156.433 to require school districts to utilize instructional materials collections from list approved by the state board; amend KRS 156.474, 156.407, 156.410, 156.420, and 156.425 to conform; amend KRS 156.435 to require the State Instructional Materials Council and Kentucky Department of Education to publish the approved instructional materials collections list on its website: amend KRS 156.437, 156.438, 156.439, 156.440, 156.445, 156.460, 156.465,

Assessment, and Accountability Council, and require biennial report on membership and meetings by commissioner; amend KRS 158.6453 to require the School Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability Council recommend academic standards to the state board for adoption, specify adoption update timeline; require Education Professional Standards Board to require alignment with academic standards as condition of educator preparation program approval; amend KRS 7.410 to conform; amend KRS 157.360 to remove school-based decision making council ability to waive class size maximums in kindergarten through grade one; amend KRS 157.195 and 158.6450 to conform.

#### **HB8 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(T. Bojanowski) - Amend Section 1 to define terms; amend Section 2 to require instructional materials collections focusing on foundational skills in K-2 and knowledge building instructional materials collections for core content in all lower grades; amend Section 24 to require English and language arts assessments in K-8 to include subject matter or topics covered within the approved instructional materials collections.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Primary and Secondary Education (H); 1st reading ; returned to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

**HB9 (BR311)** - A. Bowling, J. Petrie, J. Bray, K. Fleming, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to boards of the Kentucky General Assembly and declaring an emergency. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 7A to define terms; establish the Medicaid Oversight and Advisory Board of the Kentucky General Assembly to review, analyze, study, evaluate, provide legislative oversight, and make recommendations to the General Assembly regarding any aspect of the Kentucky Medicaid program; establish board membership, authority, and duties; amend KRS 7A.010, 7A.140,

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to State Government

(H) Feb 26, 2025 - taken from State

7A.150, and 7A.180 to conform;

EMERGENCY.

Government (H); 1st reading ; returned to State Government (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HB10 (BR1850)/CI/LM - M. Proctor, E. Callaway, K. Banta, S. Bratcher, S. Dietz, J. Hodgson, C. Massaroni, D. Meade , K. Moser, T. Roberts, N. Tate

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to allow a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request a law enforcement officer immediately remove a person unlawfully occupying real property under certain circumstances; provide criminal and civil immunity to law enforcement officers and property owners acting in good faith; create a civil cause of action for wrongful removal; require the Department of Kentucky State Police to create a form for the petition to remove unlawful occupants; amend KRS 512.010 to define "squatter"; amend KRS 512.020 and 512.030 to specifically include damage to real property caused by squatters in the offense of criminal mischief.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 25, 2025 - taken from Judiciary (H): 1st reading : returned to Judiciary

(H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd

reading, to Rules

Feb 27, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

## HB11 (BR1940) - S. Miles, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB12 (BR1419) - M. Lockett, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to online protections for minors.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; prohibit a minor under 14 years old from contracting with a social media platform to become an account holder; require social media platforms to terminate any account held by an account holder younger than 14 years old; prohibit minors who are 14 or 15 years old from contracting with a social media platform to become an account holder without parental consent; require social media platforms to terminate the account of any minor under 15 years old if requested by a parent or the minor account holder; provide that if a court enjoins the parental consent requirement for account holders who are 14 or 15 years old, that provision is severable and a provision that requires social media platforms to prohibit minors who are 14 or 15 years old from creating or maintaining an account shall instead apply; require social media platforms to permanently delete all personal information related to a terminated account; require app store providers to verify user ages, obtain parental consent for minor accounts, notify users and parents of significant changes, share age and consent data with developers, and protect age verification data; prohibit app store providers from misrepresenting parental consent disclosures; require developers to verify age and consent status through app

passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 156.470, and 156.476 to conform; amend KRS 158.6452 to modify membership of the School Curriculum,

AN ACT relating to the rights of real property owners.

stores and notify app stores of significant changes; prohibit developers from misrepresenting parental consent

disclosures; require the Office of Consumer Protection within the Office of the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations to establish standards for age verification methods; provide that violations are a deceptive act or practice in the conduct of trade or commerce under KRS 367.170; provide that a parent or guardian has a private right of action for violations; provide a safe harbor for compliant developers.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Small

Business & Information Technology (H); 1st reading ; returned to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

## HB13 (BR1597) - S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to revenue. Amend KRS 131.575 to make technical corrections.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB14 (BR277)/FN - K. Jackson, J. Nemes, C. Aull, K. Banta, E. Callaway, R. Duvall, D. Hale, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, A. Neighbors, J. Payne, W. Williams, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to school safety. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to allow school districts to implement a wearable panic alert system; establish system criteria; require the Department of Education to provide a list of approved wearable panic alert systems; require the Center for School Safety to establish the Wearable Panic Alert Grant Program; amend KRS 158.446 to allow the Center for School Safety to distribute wearable panic alert grants using funds appropriated in the biennial budget to support school safety.

## HB14 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except authorize the Act to be cited as Alyssa's Law.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HB15 (BR79) - S. Rudy, J. Petrie, R. Bivens, J. Blanton, J. Branscum, A. Donworth, M. Dossett, D. Fister, P. Flannery, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, E. Hancock, T. Huff, W. Lawrence, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, D. Meade , S. Miles, A. Neighbors, J. Nemes, D. Osborne, J. Payne, M. Pollock, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, T. Smith, W. Thomas, J. Tipton, T. Truett, W. Williams

who are at least 15 years of age to apply for a motor vehicle instruction permit: establish that an instruction permit is valid for four years; amend KRS 186.410, 186.452 and 159.051 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 13, 2025

Feb 13, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 86-13

Feb 14, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

HB16 (BR448) - M. Hart, D. Hale, S. Baker, J. Blanton, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, S. Doan, M. Dossett, R. Dotson, D. Fister, V. Grossl, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, T. Huff, M. Imes, DJ Johnson, W. Lawrence, M. Lockett, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, B. McCool, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, R. Raymer, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, N. Tate, J. Tipton, T. Truett, B. Wesley, R. White

AN ACT relating to water fluoridation programs.

Amend KRS 211.190 to make water fluoridation programs optional; allow the governing bodies of water systems subject to regulation by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to decide whether they participate in water fluoridation programs; provide that a water fluoridation program in place on the effective date of the Act continues until action is taken by its governing body to end its participation; provide that any decision regarding participation in a water fluoridation program made by the governing body of a water system shall be binding on all water systems it supplies.

## **HB16 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(M. Marzian) - Require the governing board of a water system that elects to terminate a fluoridation treatment program reimburse the Department for Medicaid Services for utilization costs of Medicaid-covered dental services above the costs for the year preceding the termination each state fiscal year. HFA2(M. Hart) - Require that the legislative body of a local government entity with jurisdiction over a water system be solely responsible for determining the water system's participation in water fluoridation

established by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (2)

filed

Floor Amendment (1); passed 68-29 Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB17 (BR257)/FN/LM - M. Hart, D. Hale, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to peace officer certification and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 15.382, relating to peace officer professional standards certification, to provide that a person who has previously been employed as a peace officer in the Commonwealth before December 1, 1998, shall not be required to pass a physical agility test unless required by the employing agency; make technical corrections; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

## HB18 (BR297)/LM - J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to require certain development projects in zones that have traditionally been reserved for single-family homes to be treated as amendments to a zoning map and to meet the procedural requirements for approval set out in KRS Chapter 100; create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 that prohibits property owner's from leasing accessory dwelling units or multi-family housing units in zones that have traditionally been reserved for single-family homes unless the property owner primarily resides on the lot.

## HB18 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions, except define "accessory dwelling unit" and redefine "density development project" as a project that both contains multifamily housing and results in an increase in emergency response times or traffic; include accessory dwelling units within the definition of multifamily housing; define "property owner" and apply restrictions to leases entered into after the effective date of the Act; require an owner to reside in either a singlefamily home, multifamily unit or an accessory dwelling unit, on the lot or single family home; amend KRS 154.30-050 and 154.30-060 to exempt from certain reports and certifications those projects that have a residential use that comprises at least 50 percent of the total finished square footage of the project; extend existing moratorium on certain changes to a consolidated local government's land development code until April 15, 2027; make technical corrections; EMERGENCY, in part. HCA1(P. Flannery) - Make title amendment.

HFA1/P(E. Callaway) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 65.111 to prohibit collection of an emergency response fee from a landlord if the response was not the result of the landlord's failure to maintain the building; include authority to collect from the responsible party.

would extend existing moratorium on certain changes to a consolidated local governments' land development code until April 15, 2027; delete Section 6 containing emergency clause. HFA4(R. Roarx) - Make title amendment.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government

(H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendments (1) and (3) filed to Committee Substitute, floor amendments (2-title) and (4-title) filed to bill

HB19 (BR18) - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, K. Banta, J. Bauman, J. Blanton, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, J. Decker, R. Dotson, J. Gooch Jr., D. Grossberg, M. Hart, T. Huff, M. Imes, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, B. McCool, M. Proctor, R. Roarx, T. Smith, N. Tate, W. Thomas, K. Upchurch, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to privacy protection. Amend KRS 500.130 to define terms; provide that the use of an unmanned aircraft system is not prohibited in the case of recreational or professional use if there is not intent to conduct surveillance on private property and there is no unauthorized use or publication of images of individuals or areas of private property, or in the case of an insurance company for purposes of underwriting a risk or investigating damage; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a civil action; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a statute of limitations for the civil action.

## **HB19 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except add streaming services to the definition of "communications service" and limit a cause of action to violations of specific provisions of Section 1.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 90-1 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

HB20 (BR50) - J. Hodgson, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to privacy protection. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define terms related to automated license plate readers; establish limitations on use and sale of data captured by automated license plate readers; provide that captured license

AN ACT relating to instruction permits and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 186.450 to allow persons

Feb 26, 2025 - floor amendment withdrawn Floor Amendment (2); 3rd reading ; floor amendment defeated

HFA2(E. Callaway) - Make title amendment. HFA3(R. Roarx) - Delete Section 5 that

plate data may be retained longer than 60 days only if it is being used in a criminal or insurance investigation or has become subject to a preservation of evidence notification; provide that any recorded images or data captured by an ALPR may be made available to the National Insurance Crime Bureau or its successor organization; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms and establish limitations on the introduction of identification devices on or within the human body; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a statute of limitations for an action filed for introduction of an identification device; amend KRS 508.152, relating to the unlawful use of tracking devices, to include the installation of a tracking device on the person or property of another without their consent and exempt parental tracking of minors from the prohibition.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 20, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 90-1

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

HB21 (BR51)/CI - J. Hodgson, E. Callaway, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to privacy protection. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms and establish limitations on "deep fakes"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a statute of limitations for an action filed for the unlawful dissemination of a deep fake; create a new section of KRS Chapter 519 to establish a criminal penalty for illegally disseminating a deep fake.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

HB22 (BR912)/CI - J. Hodgson, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, M. Proctor, T. Roberts, N. Tate, W. Thomas, T. Truett, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to geoengineering. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 512 to make findings and declarations regarding the dangers of atmospheric polluting activities and the Commonwealth's authority to prohibit geoengineering; define terms; make criminal atmospheric pollution a Class D felony; require that a person found guilty of criminal atmospheric pollution pay a civil penalty of not less than \$500,000 in addition to all other penalties authorized by law; provide that each day that a person engages in criminal atmospheric pollution constitutes a separate offense; empower all peace officers of the Commonwealth to enforce the provisions of the section; require the arresting

the Commonwealth.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB23 (BR66)/CI - R. Dotson, J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to sex crimes. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to provide that any person who has been convicted of, pled guilty to, or entered an Alford plea to a sex crime in which the victim was under the age of 12 shall undergo medroxyprogesterone acetate treatment; provide that treatment shall begin no later than one month before the person is released from custody; provide that treatment shall continue until the person is released from probation, parole, or postincarceration supervision; provide that the person shall be evaluated by a licensed physician prior to treatment to determine if the person is an appropriate candidate for treatment; provide that the Department of Corrections shall administer the treatment; authorize the Department of Corrections to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the requirements.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB24 (BR820) - D. Fister, R. Bivens

AN ACT relating to conservation district audits.

Amend KRS 65A.010 to add specificity to the definition of "special purpose governmental entity" to include soil and water conservation services; amend KRS 262.097 to conform; amend KRS 262.280 to exempt a soil and water conservation district from the requirements set forth in KRS 65A.030: amend KRS 262.763 to exempt a watershed conservancy district from the requirements set forth in KRS 65A.030.

## HB24 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(S. Rudy) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 262.210 and 262.240 to remove the age requirement for a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district. HFA2(S. Rudy) - Make title amendment.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; floor amendment (2-title) filed

Feb 20, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - Floor Amendment (1) and Floor Amendment (2-title) withdrawn; 3rd reading, passed 90-2

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

HB25 (BR819) - D. Fister, J. Hodgson, T. Roberts, R. White

moments of silence or reflection at the start of each school day and establish guidelines.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB26 (BR276)/FN - P. Flannery, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, V. Grossl, J. Hodgson, T. Huff, C. Lewis, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, M. Whitaker, R. White

AN ACT relating to individual income tax exclusions.

Amend KRS 141.010 to define "tips" and "overtime compensation"; amend KRS 141.019 to allow an exclusion from gross income for tax purposes for tips and overtime compensation: amend KRS 141.335 to include tips and overtime compensation amounts on employee withholding statement; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the exclusions.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB27 (BR386) - D. Osborne, A. Gentry, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, J. Hodgson, DJ Johnson, M. Lockett, A. Moore, K. Moser, T. Roberts, T. Smith, S. Stalker, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to planned communities.

Amend KRS 381.800 to establish that the provisions apply to all planned communities and any provision in an existing document to the contrary is void.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February

11.2025 Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0

Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

HB28 (BR420) - D. Lewis Feb 12-WITHDRAWN

## HB29 (BR389) - D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to state electrical standards for buildings.

Amend KRS 227.480 to expand the group of entities whose model codes may be used as a source or basis for the standards required for electrical system construction, repair, and inspection as promulgated in the Uniform State Building Code; amend KRS 198B.050, 227.450, 227.489, 227.810, and 227A.010 to conform.

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB30 (BR437)/AA/LM - J. Blanton, C. Fugate, D. Hale, B. McCool, T. Smith, A. Tackett Laferty, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to pension spiking in the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority. Amend KRS 61.598 to exempt from the pension spiking provisions any increases in rates of pay authorized or funded by the legislative or administrative body of an employer or mandated in a collective bargaining agreement approved by the legislative body of the employer that are provided to members of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, County Employees Retirement System, or State Police Retirement System.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0

Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 25, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

## HB31 (BR32) - J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to weight limits on state roads.

Amend KRS 189.2226, regarding overweight allowances for hauling of building materials for homes, to require any builder of 10 or more homes in a one mile radius to apply for a permit before the person may operate under the exemptions; require all persons applying for a permit issued under this section to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Transportation Cabinet; allow the Transportation Cabinet to require a bond as part of the cooperative agreement; require funds collected under a cooperative agreement to be used for maintanence of state roads covered under the cooperative agreement.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB32 (BR862)/FN - M. Whitaker, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry, V. Grossl, M. Hart, A. Moore, A. Thompson

AN ACT relating to outdoor recreation. Create a new section of subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to establish the Office of Outdoor Recreation Industry within the Cabinet for Economic Development; establish the office duties and responsiblities; amend KRS 12.020 to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor

officer to issue a notice to the appropriate federal agency that those activities cannot be lawfully carried out in

AN ACT relating to moments of silence and reflection. Amend KRS 158.175 to require

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House: to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing,

Recreation (H)

HB33 (BR67)/CI/LM - T. Huff

AN ACT relating to gaming activities. Amend KRS 230.210 to define terms; amend KRS 230.260 to allow the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation (corporation) to license and regulate casino gaming and fantasy contests; allow the corporation to inspect all premises where casino gaming is conducted and seize any equipment or records related to casino gaming for the purposes of examination and inspection; require the corporation to promulgate administrative regulations related to casino gaming; create new sections of KRS Chapter 230 to establish licensing requirements for full casino, limited casino, and riverboat casino gaming; establish local option election requirements for the purpose of approving casino gaming; permit the corporation to solicit bids for the purpose of licensing casino gaming in a county; allow a limited casino license for racing associations that meet certain requirements; prohibit the sale or lease of gaming unless a person possesses a manufacturer or supplier license; prohibit a person under 21 years of age from placing a wager at a casino or accessing areas of a casino in which games are operated; require a licensee to compile a list of persons who are to be excluded from any licensed casino if they pose a threat to the interests of this state or to licensed gaming; establish requirements for any person seeking to register as a fantasy contest operator; prohibit a fantasy contest operator from offering a fantasy contest without a valid registration issued by the corporation; require the corporation to promulgate administrative regulations for the operation of fantasy contests; create a new section of KRS Chapter 138 to define terms and impose an excise tax and an admissions tax on gaming operations at casinos; amend KRS 68.182, 91.202, 92.282, 230.215, 230.225, and 230.232 to conform; amend KRS 243.500, 525.090, 528.010, 528.020, 528.070, 528.080, and 528.100 to exempt casino gaming and fantasy contests; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB34 (BR884)/CI - M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to driving under the influence of marijuana.

Amend KRS 189A.010 to create a per se limit for a blood level of tetrahydrocannabinol signifying intoxication; amend various sections of the KRS to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB35 (BR861)/CI/LM - M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to jails. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to require payment to the county of a fee and, if applicable, the fees set forth in KRS 532.100(7), for each day a prisoner is charged with a felony and lodged in the county with payment ceasing the day the prisoner is acquitted of the felony charges or has judgment rendered otherwise involving no felony; amend KRS 431.215 to provide that the state pays a fee to counties for lodging prisoners judged guilty of death or confinement to the penitentiary beginning on the date the prisoner is first lodged in the county facility and ending on the day the prisoner is delivered to the penitentiary.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB36 (BR20) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to misconduct in schools and school-sponsored activities. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to prohibit a public school district or public charter school from entering into a nondisclosure agreement relating to misconduct involving a minor or student; amend KRS 160.380 to define "abusive conduct"; require school district applicants to disclose being the subject of any investigations or disciplinary actions in the previous 12 months relating to abusive conduct and consent to a reference check; require school districts to conduct reference checks; require nonpublic schools and public school districts to disclose any investigations or disciplinary actions related to abusive conduct of applicants; provide immunity for disclosures made about school employee conduct; require school districts to request all related information from public and nonpublic schools and the Education Professional

Standards Board (ESPB); require schools and EPSB to provide the records; require requests for information to be satisfied in 10 working days; require EPSB to create and implement procedures for information requests; require all school district applicants to list all schools of previous and current employment on the application; require a school district to internally report and investigate to completion all allegations of abusive conduct; require all records relating to an allegation of abusive conduct to be retained in an employee's personnel file unless the allegation is proven false; provide that that certain requirements apply to public charter schools; amend KRS 156.160 to direct the Kentucky Board of Education to include employment standards in the voluntary certification standards for private schools; make technical corrections; amend KRS 160.151 to define "certified nonpublic school"; require employees of certified nonpublic schools to submit to a national and state criminal background check and a CA/N check; require certified nonpublic school personnel to have a state criminal background check every five years; prohibit a certified nonpublic school from hiring a violent or felony sex crime offender; require a certified nonpublic school to conduct reference checks on all applicants; prohibit a certified nonpublic school from entering into a nondisclosure agreement related to misconduct involving a minor or student; make technical corrections; amend KRS

employees to undergo every five years; make technical corrections; amend KRS 161.151 to conform; require that an allegation of abusive conduct be reported pursuant to KRS 620.030; amend KRS 158.4431 and 156.492 to make conforming changes.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

HB37 (BR21)/FN - J. Tipton, J. Decker, S. Baker, K. Banta, J. Blanton, J. Bray, R. Bridges, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, S. Doan, R. Dotson, D. Fister, P. Flannery, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, V. Grossl, D. Hale, M. Hart, S. Heavrin, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, T. Huff, M. Imes, K. King, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, B. McCool, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, S. Riley, T. Roberts, T. Smith, N. Tate, W. Thomas, T. Truett, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to an exemption from sales and use tax for certain nonprofit institutions.

Amend KRS 139.495 to exempt purchases and sales of tangible personal property, digital property, or services made by qualifying resident nonprofit educational, charitable, or religious institutions from state sales and use taxes.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB38 (BR58)/CI/LM - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to orders of protection.

Amend KRS 403.763 and 456.180 to enhance criminal penalties for repeated violations of an order of protection; establish what constitutes a repeated violation.

### **HB38 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, require that the third or subsequent conviction of a violation of an order of protection under KRS 403.763 or 456.180 to be a Class D felony only if the third or subsequent violation involves the use or attempted use of physical force or threat of physical harm, and the victim of each offense is the same person.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

## HB39 (BR436) - A. Neighbors, D. Lewis

with a score of 4.0 or above on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) and passage of the EIPA written test to meet certification requirements.

#### HB39 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Delete original provisions; create a new section of KRS 309.300 to 309.319 to establish requirements for an educational interpreter license; require the board to grant licensure to an applicant holding a valid license issued by another state if it is based on standards equivalent to or exceeding the standards required by statute; amend KRS 309.300 to define "educational interpreter"; amend KRS 309.301 and 309.314 to conform. HFA1(A. Neighbors) - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 309.312 to create an educational: K-12 license for an interpreter working in a K-12 educational setting; amend KRS 309.314 to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S)

HB40 (BR481) - A. Neighbors

AN ACT relating to the regulation of medical imaging and radiation therapy. Amend KRS 311B.020 to add and amend definitions; amend KRS 311B.030 to add magnetic resonance imaging technologists, diagnostic medical sonographers, and student medical imaging technologists to the Kentucky Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy; amend KRS 311B.050 to add authority to recognize and enforce nationally recognized professional organizations and certifying bodies and issue advisory opinions; amend KRS 311B.090 to add nonionizing and exempt ultrasounds for therapeutic, non-medical or keepsake ultrasounds from requirements; amend KRS 311B.100 to add individuals utilizing ionizing or non-ionizing radiation; add magnetic resonance imaging technologists, diagnostic medical sonographers, and student medical imaging technologists to licensure requirements; require the board to promulgate administrative regulations to permit licensure of magnetic resonance imaging technologists and diagnostic medical sonographers who are not credentialed by a national organization recognized by the board prior to January 1, 2027;

Department of Education to develop a training related to sexual misconduct and inappropriate relationships for

156.095 to require the Kentucky

AN ACT relating to interpreters. Amend KRS 309.312 to allow an interpreter in a K-12 classroom setting amend KRS 311B.110 to add magnetic resonance imaging technologists, diagnostic medical sonographers, and

student medical imagining technologists to application for licensure requirements: amend KRS 311B.120 to add magnetic resonance imaging technologists and diagnostic medical sonographers to fees and penalty requirements; delete reference to duplicate licenses and home study courses; amend KRS 311B.150 to add non-ionizing radiation; add magnetic resonance imaging technologists, diagnostic medical sonographers, and student medical imaging technologists to legal conditions; amend KRS 311B.160 to add violations and penalties for practicing without a license and other violations; amend KRS 311.727 to make technical corrections; repeal KRS 311B.080, 311B.180, and 311B.190 as the provisions of these statutes were incorporated in other statutes.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB41 (BR897)/LM - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, K. Banta, R. Bivens, J. Blanton, J. Branscum, D. Elliott, D. Fister, P. Flannery, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, V. Grossl, D. Hale, M. Hart, DJ Johnson, W. Lawrence, D. Lewis, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Pollock, M. Proctor, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, T. Smith, N. Tate, W. Thomas, T. Truett, B. Wesley, R. White, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps.

Amend KRS 37.170 to create the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps (KEV Corps) within the Kentucky State Defense Force; create a new section of KRS Chapter 37 to detail KEV Corps eligibility, supervision, training requirements, uniform details, and prohibitions and to create the KEV Corps fund; amend KRS 39B.030 to permit the local emergency management director to use the KEV Corps during a local disaster or emergency; amend KRS 39B.050 to include the KEV Corps as a part of the local disaster and emergency services organization; amend KRS 39B.070 to permit each city, urbancounty government, or charter county government the use of the KEV Corps.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB42 (BR315)/CI/LM - C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, T. Roberts, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to sex offenders. Create a new section of KRS 17.500 to 17.580, relating to the sex offender registry, to define "costume" and "Halloween-related activity"; prohibit sex offenders who have committed a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor from participating in any Halloween-related activity; establish penalties.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Brown Jr., L. Burke, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to maternal health disparities in perinatal care.

Amend KRS 211.680 to expand the scope of the legislative intent and findings; create new sections of KRS Chapter 211 to define terms; require licensed health facilities under KRS Chapter 216B to provide each patient with written information regarding the patient's rights and implement an evidence-based maternal health disparities program for all health providers involved in the perinatal care of patients within those facilities; require the Department for Public Health to track data on pregnancy-related and severe morbidity.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

HB44 (BR133)/FN - C. Massaroni, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg, J. Hodgson, A. Moore, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to choking prevention in schools.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "anti-choking device"; require school cafeteria personnel and other expected users of the device to be trained if a school obtains an antichoking device; provide immunity from civil liability for rendering emergency care or treatment with an anti-choking device or the Heimlich maneuver at a public or private school; provide that the Act may be cited as Landon's Law.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 07, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Feb 12, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-5

Feb 13, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 18, 2025 - to Education (S)

HB45 (BR445)/CI - J. Hodgson, K. Banta, J. Branscum, D. Elliott, P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, D. Lewis, P. Stevenson, W. Thomas, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.015, relating to campaign finance, to define terms; create new sections of KRS Chapter 121 to establish reporting and record retention requirements for political issues committees and persons making independent expenditures; prohibit political issues committees from knowingly and willfully soliciting or accepting contributions from prohibited sources; establish certification requirements for treasurers of political issues committees and donors making contributions and independent expenditures: define activity that creates a presumption of a violation; prohibit foreign nationals from making a

participating in another person's decision to influence a ballot measure; establish a cause of action for accepting or soliciting contributions from prohibited sources and failing to certify, report, or retain records; establish a right of privacy in donations to tax-exempt organizations; establish a penalty for a state or local governmental entity, court, or officer of the court that violates the right of privacy; amend KRS 121.190 to require a "paid for by" disclosure for advertisements advocating or opposing a ballot measure.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 06, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 07, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February

11, 2025 Feb 12, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

85-12 Feb 13, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 18, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

HB46 (BR312) - K. Banta, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to the identification of lottery winners.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 154A to allow the winner of a lottery prize with a gross value that exceeds \$1,000,000 to elect to have his or her identifying information withheld from public record for one year; amend KRS 154A.040 to conform; amend KRS 61.878 to exempt the identifying information of the winner of a lottery prize with a gross value that exceeds \$1,000,000 from the Open Records Act for one year unless confidentiality has been waived.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing,

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

95-0 Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB47 (BR8)/CI/LM - S. Baker, C. Aull, J. Calloway, J. Decker, R. Dotson, D. Grossberg, J. Hodgson, M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to sexual extortion. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 531 to establish the crime of sexual extortion as a felony; provide for enhancements to penalties; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a civil cause of action for sexual extortion; amend KRS 17.500 to include sexual extortion in the definition of "sex crime"; create new sections of KRS Chapter 158 to require superintendents of local school districts to notify students in grades six and above and parents and guardians of all students of the crime of sexual extortion; require local school boards to display posters with the definition of sexual extortion and contact information for entities offering assistance to victims in secondary schools; amend KRS 164.2518 to require postsecondary institutions to display posters with the definition of sexual extortion and contact information for entities offering assistance to victims in residential facilities and buildings containing instructional spaces, student services, and academic support services.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB48 (BR24) - S. Baker, T. Truett, J. Bauman, J. Decker, D. Grossberg, V. Grossl, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, S. McPherson, S. Riley, A. Thompson, J. Tipton, W. Williams, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.557 to increase the time period between mandatory summative evaluations for tenured certified school staff from once every three years to once every five years; provide that additional summative evaluations may be performed at the discretion of the individual's immediate supervisor but shall not be imposed as a uniform requirement across the system; amend KRS 158.060 to provide teachers access to their employment contract upon request; amend KRS 156.095 to require the Department of Education to create and local school districts to implement a four year recurring professional development training schedule that includes all required professional development trainings; provide that all certified school employees shall complete designated trainings within 12 months of initial hire and at least once every four years thereafter; consolidate state-required certified school personnel trainings; create new sections of KRS Chapter 158 to relocate language currently contained in KRS 158.060 related to the display of designated hotline information and the publication of and school lessons on evidence-based suicide prevention awareness information; amend KRS 158.070 to remove language regarding professional development trainings consolidated elsewhere; amend KRS 160.346 to prohibit the Department of Education from requiring comprehensive school improvement plans and comprehensive district improvement plans not expressly required by federal law; amend KRS 156.492, 157.360, and 158.4416 to conform; amend KRS 161.031 to remove the mandate for an induction program for new teachers; require a report identifying school districts that do not implement an induction program for new teachers; require the Department of Education to conduct a review of the reporting requirements imposed upon public schools and public school districts; eliminate all reporting requirements not expressly required by state statute or federal law; submit a report on the remaining reporting requirements;

HB43 (BR457) - B. Chester-Burton, G.

donation, contribution, or expenditure, soliciting another person to make a donation, contribution, or expenditure, or provide that the Act may be cited as the Red Tape Reduction Act.

### HB48 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain all original provisions, except restore language that identifies comprehensive support and improvement schools once every three years; permit the department to require schools that met the criteria for identification of comprehensive support and improvement, or targeted support and improvement, but that were not identified because of the identification schedule to create and maintain a comprehensive school improvement plan.

HCS2 - Retain original provisions, except permit schools and districts that are not required by federal law or state statute to complete a comprehensive school or district improvement plan to voluntarily complete the plan, in whole or in part, or use alternative measures for fulfilling federal reporting requirements; require the Department of Education to submit two reports to the Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee on continuous school and district improvement plans and on the Cognia software used for school and district planning, including to establish the minimum contents of the reports by August 1, 2025, and October 1, 2025, respectively; require that any submission request contained in that software not expressly linked to a requirement imposed by federal law or state statute be discontinued unless extended by an act of the General Assembly during the 2026 Regular Session; delay the effective date of the termination of any reporting requirement not expressly required by federal law or state statute until after the 2026 Regular Session: amend KRS 156.070 to prohibit the Kentucky Board of Education from adopting any new reporting requirement not expressly authorized by federal law or state statute; require the department to submit to the appropriate Interim Joint Committee on Education, a report recommending reporting requirements to be incorporated into statute during the 2026 Regular.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 05, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 06, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 13, 2025 - recommitted to

Primary and Secondary Education (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, to

Rules with Committee Substitute (2) Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

HB49 (BR68) - K. Banta, K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to marriage and family therapists.

Amend KRS 335.330 to require the board to review and approve applications within the specified time frames and to issue licenses within two weeks of application completion date; amend KRS 335.332 to allow an approved acting supervisor to assume responsibility for an associate practitioner receiving qualifying receipt; create a new section of KRS 335.300 to 335.399 to mandate reciprocal licensure of a practitioner licensed in another state when specified criteria are met.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative

Regulations (H) HB50 (BR11)/CI/LM - K. Banta, B.

Chester-Burton, DJ Johnson, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to sex offenders. Amend KRS 17.545 to prohibit a registrant from residing within 3,000 feet of a high school, middle school, elementary school, preschool, publicly owned or leased playground, or licensed daycare facility; provide that the 3,000 feet restriction applies to any person who becomes a registrant after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB51 (BR9)/CI/LM - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to postincarceration supervision.

Amend KRS 532.043 to provide that a person convicted of felony attempt to commit a felony offense under KRS Chapter 510, KRS 529.100, 529.110, or a felony offense under KRS 531.310 to 531.370 relating to the sexual exploitation of minors, shall be subject to postincarceration supervision; amend KRS 532.060 to provide that a person convicted of felony attempt to commit a felony offense specified in KRS Chapter 510 or KRS 531.310 to 531.370 shall be subject to postincarceration supervision.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB52 (BR37) - K. Banta, B. Chester-Burton, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to the property tax homestead exemption.

Amend KRS 132.810 to increase the frequency of the property tax homestead exemption cost of living adjustment to annually instead of biennially.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB53 (BR871)/CI - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to balloons. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 512 to create the offense of unlawful release of balloons.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB54 (BR886) - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to building trade professions.

cooperative placement hours to count toward those hours needed to obtain licensure; require that the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction recognize and honor the agreements toward licensure in the professions regulated by the department, including electricians, plumbers, and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning.

## **HB54 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(K. Banta) - Retain original provisions; require on-the-job training equivalencies to be directly related; require the department to utilize current regulations governing licensure attainment to determine eligibility and applicability. HFA2(J. Blanton) - Retain original provisions; require that on-the-job training for dual-credit students be

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing,

directly to the profession.

Occupations, & Administrative

Regulations (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Feb 19, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 20, 2025 - floor amendment (2) filed

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 88-4 with Floor Amendments (1) and (2)

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

HB55 (BR285) - K. Banta, T. Bojanowski, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to civil liability of a parent or guardian.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish civil liability against a parent, guardian, or other person legally responsible for a minor if the minor causes the injury or death of another by the use of a destructive device, explosive, firearm, or other deadly weapon; provide limited exemptions; amend KRS 411.155 to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB56 (BR404) - D. Meade , D. Gordon, K. Banta, J. Branscum, S. Bratcher, J. Bray, G. Brown Jr., E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, J. Decker, S. Doan, M. Dossett, R. Dotson, D. Elliott, D. Fister, C. Fugate, V. Grossl, D. Hale, T. Hampton, K. Holloway, M. Imes, K. King, D. Lewis, M. Lockett, B. McCool, A. Moore, T. Roberts, S. Rudy, T. Truett, K. Upchurch, B. Wesley, R. White, W. Williams, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to comprehensive universities.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Eastern Kentucky University to offer doctor of osteopathic medicine degrees required for professional practice and licensure in osteopathic medicine. Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB57 (BR306) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to employment advertising.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to prohibit employers from publishing job postings for ghost jobs; amend KRS 337.990 to establish a penalty for violations.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB58 (BR236) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to termination of residential leases.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to permit a tenant to terminate a lease or rental agreement if he or she is seeking relocation due to a recent mental or physical health emergency; require the tenant to pay any rent due prorated to the effective date of termination; relieve the tenant from liability for any other rent or fees resulting from the termination.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB59 (BR887) - K. Fleming, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to psychologists. Amend KRS 319.020 to expand the Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology from nine members to 11 members; make one of the new members a doctoral-level psychologist and the other a masters-level psychologist; amend KRS 319.030 to require the board to submit its annual report to the Legislative Research Commission and post the report on its website; include both the average and modal time it takes the board to issue or deny a license and to complete the disciplinary process; amend KRS 319.050 to require an applicant to pass examinations related to mental health law and psychology practice; direct the board to schedule an examination within 30 to 60 days of accepting the examination application; allow an examinee to delay the examination for accident, illness, or injury, if approved by the board chair or the chair's designee; allow the board to suspend the applicant's temporary license for any unapproved examination delay.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB60 (BR1005)/LM - S. Maddox, S. Doan, J. Calloway, M. Hart, W. Lawrence, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T.

experience; amend KRS 335.340 to require the board to issue renewal license within two weeks of request Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198B to allow on-the-job training equivalencies of internship and Roberts

AN ACT relating to an ad valorem tax

exemption for motor vehicles.

Amend KRS 132.4851 to exempt motor vehicles assessed under KRS 132.485 from state property taxes; amend KRS 132.020 to conform.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB61 (BR131)/FN - S. Bratcher, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, R. Duvall, R. White, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to Medicaid-covered nonemergency medical transportation.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to establish the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' responsibilities with regard to the administration of nonemergency medical transportation services for Medicaid beneficiaries; require the Cabinet or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; require the cabinet to comply with KRS 205.525.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB62 (BR913) - S. Maddox, F. Rabourn, J. Calloway, T. Huff, W. Lawrence, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the regulation of nicotine products and declaring an emergency.

Suspend 2024 Ky. Acts ch. 111, House Bill 11 of the 2024 Regular Session, unless and until the Supreme Court of the United States has rendered a decision in Food and Drug Administration v. Wages and White Lion Investments, L.L.C., dba Triton Distribution, et al., No. 23-1038, overruling the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals; RETROACTIVE to January 1, 2025; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB63 (BR1015) - S. Maddox, F. Rabourn, J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, T. Roberts, R. White

AN ACT relating to the regulation of nicotine products.

Amend KRS 438.305 to remove various definitions; amend KRS 241.060, 438.310, and 438.313 to conform; repeal KRS 438.306, 438.307, 438.308, 438.309, 438.312, 438.316, and 438.331, relating to vapor products.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB64 (BR394) - J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, E. Callaway, S. Doan, J. Hodgson, S. Maddox, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, N. Tate, R. White

relating to the prohibition of state and federal funds being used for the practice of conversion therapy; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB65 (BR78) - J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, S. Baker, E. Callaway, S. Doan, C. Fugate, J. Hodgson, S. Maddox, K. Moser, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, N. Tate, W. Thomas, T. Truett, R. White

AN ACT relating to the display of the Ten Commandments in schools. Repeal and reenact KRS 158.178, relating to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB66 (BR231) - J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Amend KRS 164.020 to remove the provision requiring the Council on Postsecondary Education to postpone approval of new programs at state postsecondary institutions that have not met equal educational opportunity goals; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 164 to conform and remove outdated language pertaining to staggering of initial terms.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB67 (BR1054)/LM - D. Grossberg, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to wages. Amend KRS 337.275 to raise minimum wage for employers to \$9.50 an hour on the effective date of this Act and incrementally thereafter to \$15 an hour on July 1, 2029; raise the state minimum wage for tipped employees to five dollars an hour on the effective date of this Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

# HB68 (BR1065)/CI/LM - D. Grossberg, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to hate crimes. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to provide an enhanced term of imprisonment for any defendant convicted of certain crimes when the defendant intentionally committed the offense because of a person's actual or perceived race, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, mental or physical disability, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation; amend KRS 15.334 and 17.1523 to conform; create a new section of KRS Chapter 508 to

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB69 (BR1059) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to rabies vaccinations.

Amend KRS 258.005 to define veterinarian" and "veterinary technician"; amend KRS 258.015 to require that a Kentucky-licensed veterinary technician authorized to vaccinate a dog, cat, or ferret against rabies be under the direct supervision of a veterinarian that is located on the premises of the facility.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

HB70 (BR142)/FN - V. Grossl, J. Tipton, D. Fister, D. Gordon, A. Moore, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to dietitians. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 310 to enact and enter into the Dietitian Licensure Compact with all other jurisdictions that legally join in the compact; declare the purpose of the compact; define terms; establish participation requirements for states that wish to participate in the compact; recognize a licensure privilege and establish requirements; set requirements for transferring a home state license; designate home state licensure for active members of the military; establish penalties and adverse actions against a licensee; establish a joint government agency, create membership rules, establish voting requirements, and permit the government agency to establish rules and perform duties; require the compact commission to create a data system and outline the requirements; permit the executive and judicial branches within each state to enforce the compact; establish dispute resolution and outline termination procedures.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing,

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

HB71 (BR17)/AA - R. Duvall, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority.

Amend KRS 61.505 to establish the Office of Financial Management within the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority; amend KRS 12.020 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

HB72 (BR122) - DJ Johnson, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to limited X-ray machine operators. Amend KRS 311B.020 to redefine "limited X-ray machine operator" and

"medical imaging technologist"; allow a limited X-ray machine operator to only perform limited diagnostic radiography. Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025 Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 89-1 Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

#### HB73 (BR804)/AA - DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to employers of the Teachers' Retirement System. Amend KRS 161.220 to add WeLeadCS, a virtual computer science career academy for Kentucky high school students, to the list of participating employers of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS).

#### **HB73 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/AA - Retain original provisions; require the Teachers' Retirement System's consulting actuary to provide a breakdown of actuarial liabilities by each participating employer in the annual actuarial valuation.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February

25, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-1 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB74 (BR1006) - M. Lehman, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to providing free feminine hygiene products for elementary and secondary students.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "feminine hygiene product"; require each public school that includes any of grades four through 12 to provide free feminine hygiene

AN ACT relating to executive orders and declaring an emergency. Invalidate Executive Order 2024-632

create the offense of using hate symbols to intimidate; repeal KRS 49.320 and 532 031

Feb 19, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 20, 2025

products to female students; require each local board of education to adopt policies for the distribution of free

feminine hygiene products.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB75 (BR1004) - M. Lehman, A. Camuel, E. Hancock, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to undesignated glucagon.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 217 to define terms; permit health care practitioners to prescribe and dispense undesignated glucagon in the name of a school or to a trained individual; permit trained individuals to receive, possess, and administer undesignated glucagon during diabetic medical emergencies; permit schools to stock undesignated glucagon; provide for immunity from civil liability for any personal injury resulting from good faith actions to use undesignated glucagon to treat diabetic medical emergencies.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB76 (BR1007)/AA - M. Lehman, C. Aull, K. Banta, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, M. Clines, A. Gentry, E. Hancock, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for state and county employees in hazardous positions.

Create a new section of KRS 16.505 to 16.652 to change the retirement benefits for members participating in the State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or in a hazardous position in either the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) or County Employees Retirement System (CERS) who are hired after January 1, 2014, but before January 1, 2026, so that, in lieu of continued participation in the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits), these members receive the benefits provided to members in a hazardous position who began participating immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits); for those eligible hazardous employees, create a presumption that service credit in a hazardous position earned after January 1, 2014, is service credit earned immediately prior to January 1, 2014; for eligible hazardous members transitioning to Tier 2, require that accumulated contributions in the hybrid cash balance plan remain in the member's account, but any employer credit be transferred to the retirement allowance account; allow a member in a hazardous position subject to a change from Tier 3 to Tier 2 benefits to make a one-time election to opt out of the change of benefits within 30 days; establish exclusions; amend KRS 16.576, 16.577, 16.578, 16.582, 61.546, 61.552, 61.597, 61.615, 78.5512, 78.5514, 78.5524, 78.5528, and 78.616 to grant to members in a hazardous position who begin participating after January 1, 2026, or whose participation is presumed under Section1of this Act to begin immediately prior to January 1, 2014, the same benefits provided to members whose participation began

service credit that includes service credit for unused sick leave, and eligibility for early retirement and service purchases; make technical corrections; amend KRS 16.583 and 78.5516 to limit the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits) only to members participating in SPRS or in hazardous positions in KERS or CERS who make an election to opt out of Tier 2 benefits under Section 1 of this Act or who make an election, prior to the effective date of the Act, under KRS 61.5955; amend KRS 61.5955 to provide that only a member in a nonhazardous position who began participating in KERS or CERS as a Tier 2 member may elect to receive Tier 3 benefits in the hybrid cash balance plan in lieu of Tier 2 benefits; amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to amend definitions of various terms to conform and make technical changes; amend KRS 16.560, 61.575, and 78.640 to allow interest credited on the accounts of members participating in SPRS or in a hazardous position in KERS or CERS to be adjusted to conform; amend KRS 61.592 and 78.5520 to exempt only hazardous members who opt out of receiving Tier 2 benefits from eligibility for an employer payment to convert nonhazardous service to hazardous service; amend KRS 61.680 to require that a member who is eligible under Section 1 of this Act and who has nonhazardous service credit as a Tier 3 member of either KERS or CERS to have his or her nonhazardous and hazardous service consolidated to determine eligibility and benefits; amend KRS 78.545 to add Section 1 of this Act as one of the provisions that shall be administered for the CERS in the same manner as for the KERS.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government

(H)

HB77 (BR5) - L. Burke, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to criminal procedure.

Amend KRS 431.073 and 431.078 to provide for expungement of offenses which were charged but later dismissed or amended; make technical corrections; amend KRS 532.080 to state that the enhancement of a sentence as a persistent felony offender does not alter the felony classification of offenses.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

# HB78 (BR950)/HM/LM - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to the psychiatric collaborative care model.

Amend KRS 304.17A-660 to define "psychiatric collaborative care model"; create a new section of KRS 304.17A-660 to 304.17A-669 to require all insurers that issue, deliver, or renew any health benefit plan that provides coverage for treatment of a mental health condition to provide reimbursement for such benefits that are delivered through the psychiatric January 1, 2026.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

#### HB79 (BR491) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to licensed occupations.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 335B to require the licensing authorities of healthcare occupations to collect workforce participation data during the annual, biennial, or triennial licensure renewal process; prohibit the collection of a licensee's Social Security number; allow licensees to decline the data collection of personal information; require licensing authorities to report collected data to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services; create a new section of KRS 335.300 to 335.399 to authorize the board to grant licensure to an applicant who holds an active license from another state to practice as an independent marriage and family therapist; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

#### HB79 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(K. Banta) - Retain original provisions; require the board to notify the applicant of any technical error in an application within one week of its discovery; require the board to issue a license within two weeks of the date the application is complete.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar; floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-0 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB80 (BR993) - R. Roarx, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke, A. Camuel, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to the presession filing of bills.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 6 to allow members and members-elect of the General Assembly to prefile bills and resolutions for introduction at the next succeeding regular legislative session; require the prefiled bills and resolutions to be published on the Legislative Research Commission's website.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government

(H) HB81 (BR1091) - T. Roberts, J. Hodgson, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to governmental accountability and declaring an

benefit if it was lost or denied due to noncompliance with an executive order or administrative regulation relating to pandemic restrictions; amend KRS 13A.190, 13A.310, 13A.315, 13A.330, 13A.335, and 13A.336 to grant the Attorney General authority over some aspects of the administrative regulation process; amend KRS 13B.120 to enable the Attorney General to accept, reject, or modify an agency head's changes that create a more adverse final order; amend KRS 13B.150 to direct a Circuit Court reviewing a final order to determine if the agency committed misconduct by violating appropriation restrictions placed upon the agency by the General Assembly; remove a noncompliant agency head or administrative official from office for willfully violating an appropriation restriction; prohibit a removed official from holding office for 10 years after the finding; RETROACTIVE; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB82 (BR1038)/CI/LM - T. Roberts, J. Bray, J. Calloway, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to prohibiting the enforcement of a federal ban or regulation of firearms.

Amend KRS 237.105, relating to state and local enforcement of federal bans on firearms on or after January 1, 2021, to change the definition of "federal ban" to mean a federal law, executive order, rule or regulation that is enacted, adopted, or becomes effective on or after December 15, 1791.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB83 (BR1037) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to firearms. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237, relating to firearms, to define "red flag law"; prohibit police department and judicial enforcement of red flag laws.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB84 (BR1029)/CI - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to public health. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to provide that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall not promulgate any administrative regulation that implements or enforces any directives from the World Health Organization; amend KRS 211.990 to establish that any violation shall be a Class D felony.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits), including death and disability benefits, benefit factors and collaborative care model; apply requirement to health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed on or after emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 13B to reinstate a person's credential or HB85 (BR1096) - T. Roberts, J. Hodgson AN ACT relating to sanitation districts. Amend KRS 220.510 to establish controls for sanitation districts when charging fees, taxes, or other charges to property owners or to other persons for the provision of services; provide that the Act may be cited as the Ensuring Fair Sewer Charges Act.

#### HB85 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(S. Sharp) - Allow persons to sue the sanitation district if that person is charged a fee, tax, or other charge for the provision of a service pursuant to a five-year plan, and no service is provided within that five-year period.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB86 (BR1035) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, P. Flannery, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to unpasteurized milk.

Amend KRS 217C.040 to allow the sale of unpasteurized milk to a consumer; amend KRS 217C.010 and 217C.020 to conform; repeal KRS 217C.090, relating to the sale of unpasteurized goat milk.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

HB87 (BR29) - E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, J. Decker, S. Doan, A. Gentry, M. Hart, J. Hodgson, S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to employment. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 335B.010 to 335B.070 to require hiring or licensing authorities to establish an application process that gives persons convicted of a crime an opportunity to obtain a determination about whether the crime will disqualify the individual from a position of public employment or occupational license before pursuing training; require hiring or licensing authorities to formulate policies and procedures for the application process by promulgating regulations no later than January 1, 2026; and provide an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission by November 1, 2026; amend KRS 335B.020 to add criteria for hiring and licensing authorities to consider when determining if a conviction directly relates to the position of public employment or occupational license sought; amend KRS 335B.030 to require hiring or licensing authorities to request information: allow an applicant a hearing before making a determination of hiring for a position of public employment or granting an occupational license; and provide written findings of fact to the applicant upon determination.

HB87 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; make technical changes.

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

HB88 (BR45) - E. Callaway, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to waste management districts.

Amend KRS 109.115 to allow a member serving on a waste management district board in a county containing a consolidated local government to serve until his or her successor is appointed, not to exceed 60 days after the expiration of his or her term; require that the board director's position be vacated after the 60-day period; provide that on the effective date of the Act, any current director on a waste management district board in a county containing a consolidated local government who has exceeded 60 days on the board after expiration of his or her term shall immediately vacate his or her seat; EFFECTIVE January 6, 2026; RETROACTIVE.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 87-4

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB89 (BR33) - E. Callaway, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to home-based food processors.

Amend KRS 217.015 to expand the definition of "home-based processor" to include roasted coffee beans in the list of foods a home-based processor may produce.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

**HB90 (BR30)** - J. Nemes, K. Holloway, K. Banta, B. Chester-Burton, M. Hart, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to freestanding birthing centers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to define "freestanding birthing center"; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations to establish licensure standards for freestanding birthing centers; establish criteria for a medical director; establish requirements for obtaining written informed consent; require a written patient transfer agreement with a hospital that provides service; exempt a center with no more than four beds from certificate-of-need requirements for establishing and licensing a freestanding birthing center; state intent not to limit or expand liability of a center or health care provider or facility; require medical malpractice insurance for freestanding birthing centers; prohibit abortions in freestanding birthing centers; amend KRS 216B.015 to include freestanding birthing centers in the definition of "health facility"; amend KRS 216B.020, 196.173, 211.122, 211.647, 211.660, 213.046, 214.155, 214.565, 214.567, 214.569, 216.2920, 216.2921, 216.2923, 216.2925, 216.2927, and 216.2970 to conform; require the cabinet to promulgate updated administrative regulations by December 1, 2025; provide that the Act may be cited as the Mary Carol Akers Birth Centers Act.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative

Regulations (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

# HB91 (BR480) - F. Rabourn, S. Maddox

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 161.030 to specify authority of the Education Professional Standards Board over educators hired by public schools only; amend KRS 199.894 to define "learning pod" and exclude them from the definition of "child-care center" and "family child-care home"; amend KRS 194A.381 to exclude learning pods from certain youth camp requirements.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB92 (BR496)/CI/LM - DJ Johnson, K. Banta, E. Callaway, K. King, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to possession or viewing of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor.

Amend KRS 531.335, relating to possession or viewing of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor, to provide that the sexual performance may be by a computergenerated image of a minor; provide that any person convicted of possession or viewing of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor shall not be released on probation or parole without serving 85 percent of the sentence imposed.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB93 (BR189)/CI/LM - W. Williams, D. Grossberg, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to target shooting. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to define terms; provide that a endangers or is likely to endanger any person, pet, livestock, wildlife, or property; provide exceptions for target shooting at a recreation facility or in an area with an earthen backstop; establish a violation as a Class A misdemeanor.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB94 (BR393)/LM - W. Williams, J. Calloway

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt for homeowners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of their permanent residence that is assessed after the later of the year the homeowner turned 65 or the year the homeowner purchased the property; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemption to increases in valuation that occur after the date the amendment is ratified by the voters; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB95 (BR119) - W. Williams Feb 04-WITHDRAWN

HB96 (BR15)/CI/LM - S. Dietz, C. Aull, K. Banta, A. Camuel, E. Hancock, S. Lewis, M. Marzian, K. Moser, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to coercive control. Amend KRS 403.720, relating to orders of protection, to define "coercive control" and "stalking"; amend the definition of "domestic violence and abuse" to include coercive control of a family member or member of an unmarried couple; amend KRS 456.010 to define "coercive control"; amend the definition of "dating violence and abuse" to include coercive control of a person with whom the perpetrator is or has been in a dating relationship; amend KRS 209A.122 to require the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide information on petitions for orders of protection where the basis of the petition is coercive control and whether parties to a petition for an order of protection were represented by a legal representative.

#### HB96 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 403.720 to remove engaging in sexual or reproductive coercion, communicating the intent to contact local or federal agencies based on actual or suspected immigration status, or engaging in vexatious or abusive litigation from the definition of

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

obstetric services; require a written patient transfer agreement with an emergency medical transportation person shall not target shoot carelessly, recklessly, or without regard for the safety of any person, or in a manner that "coercive control"; amend KRS 456.010 to remove engaging in sexual or reproductive coercion, communicating the intent to contact local or federal agencies based on actual or suspected immigration status, or engaging in vexatious or abusive litigation from the definition of "coercive control"; make technical corrections.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

# HB97 (BR399)/CI/LM - S. Dietz, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to sex crimes. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 510 to establish the offense of traveling into the Commonwealth to commit a sexual offense; provide that no person shall be convicted of this offense and any offense specified in KRS 506.010, 506.030, 506.040, or 506.080 for a single course of conduct; provide that this section is intended to be a separate offense and shall be punished in addition to violations of sex crimes; provide that traveling into the Commonwealth to commit a sexual offense shall be punished at the same felony classification level as the underlying offense.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB98 (BR397)/CI/LM - S. Dietz, K. Banta, J. Bauman, J. Decker, T. Roberts, N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to violent offenders. Amend KRS 439.3401 to include kidnapping in the definition of "violent offender."

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

# HB99 (BR398)/CI/LM - S. Dietz

AN ACT relating to sex crimes. Amend KRS 510.060, relating to rape in the third degree, to prohibit a person from engaging in sexual intercourse with another person who is incarcerated by the Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Justice, or a detention facility; to prohibit a Commonwealth's attorney, assistant Commonwealth's attorney, county attorney, or assistant county attorney from engaging in sexual intercourse with another person who the attorney is prosecuting unless a prior sexual relationship exists; to prohibit an attorney for a criminal defendant from engaging in sexual intercourse with the criminal defendant unless a prior sexual relationship exists; amend KRS 510.090, relating to sodomy in the third degree, to prohibit a person from engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with another person who is incarcerated by the Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Justice, or a detention facility; to prohibit a Commonwealth's attorney, assistant Commonwealth's

who the attorney is prosecuting unless a prior sexual relationship exists; to prohibit an attorney for a criminal defendant from engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with the criminal defendant unless a prior sexual relationship exists; amend KRS 510.120, relating to sexual abuse in the second degree, to prohibit a person from subjecting another person who is incarcerated by the Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Justice, or a detention facility to sexual contact; to prohibit a Commonwealth's attorney, assistant Commonwealth's attorney, county attorney, or assistant county attorney from subjecting another person who the attorney is prosecuting to sexual contact, unless a prior sexual relationship exists; to prohibit an attorney for a criminal defendant from subjecting the criminal defendant to sexual contact, unless a prior sexual relationship exists.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB100 (BR402) - S. Dietz

AN ACT relating to jury service. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 29A to require the Administrative Office of the Courts, in cooperation with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, to develop a brochure, pamphlet, or other brief document that contains information for jurors regarding how to obtain mental health treatment; require a judge to provide each juror with the brochure, pamphlet, or other brief document at the conclusion of a jury trial involving an offense that would classify a person as a violent offender under KRS 439.3401; allow a judge to provide the brochure, pamphlet, or other brief document at the conclusion of any trial if the judge believes the jurors may have been traumatized by his or her service.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

# HB101 (BR400)/CI/LM - S. Dietz, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to assault in the third degree.

Amend KRS 508.025, relating to assault in the third degree, to enhance the punishment to a Class D felony if a person intentionally causes a peace officer to come into contact with bodily fluids; enhance assault in the third degree to a Class C felony if the person who causes a peace officer to come into contact with bodily fluids has a serious communicable disease and the contact is likely to cause transmission of the disease; enhance assault in the third degree to a Class C felony for a second or subsequent offense.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB102 (BR363)/LM - N. Kulkarni, M. Marzian, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

211 to establish a PFAS Working Group, create new sections of Subchapter 10 of KRS Chapter 224 to define terms; establish a reporting requirement for manufacturers that intentionally include PFAS in products manufactured for sale or distribution in the Commonwealth; establish a reporting requirement for PFAS release in the Commonwealth by manufacturers that intentionally include PFAS in manufactured products; amend KRS 224.99-030 to establish penalty for noncompliance with reporting requirements.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (H)

# HB103 (BR921)/LM - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to professions and occupations.

Amend KRS 335B.010 to define terms related to licensing and public employment qualifications; amend KRS 335B.020 to narrow the class of offenses to which the chapter applies, prohibit disqualifying individuals from pursing a professional license solely due to a finding that the applicant lacks good character, add consideration of the age of the person at the time the crime was committed, the evidence relevant to the circumstances of the crime, and evidence of rehabilitation in making licensure decisions; amend KRS 335B.030 to require that before a hiring or licensing authority denies an individual a professional license due to a prior conviction of a crime to notify the individual in writing of the specific offense that is the basis of the denial, the reasons the offense was determined to directly relate to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation and pose a reasonable threat to public safety, and that the applicant has a right to submit additional information within 30 days which the licensing authority is required to consider; require that upon a hiring or liensing authority denying an individual a profesional license due to a prior conviction of a crime to notify the individual in writing of the specific offense that is the basis of the denial and the reasons the offense was determined to directly relate to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation and pose a reasonable threat to public safety; create new sections of KRS Chapter 335B to allow a person with a prior conviction of a crime to request an initial determination regarding whether a prior conviction of crime would disqualify the individual from licensure and require that this initial determination is binding on the hiring or licensing authority; require each hiring or licensing authority to publish information on its website pertaining to applicants with a prior conviction of a crime; require each hiring or licensing authority that is authorized to consider the criminal conviction of an applicant to provide an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission; amend various sections of KRS Chapters 309, 317A, and 327 to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

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Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB104 (BR927)/CI/LM - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to pretrial release. Amend KRS 431.066 to limit the use of money bail to certain high-risk defendants and create a preventive detention process for defendants of select risk levels and charge types; create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to establish a preventive detention hearing process and define the limited circumstances in which money bail can be imposed; amend various statutes to conform; repeal KRS 431.021, relating to guaranteed arrest bond certificates.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB105 (BR923)/CI/LM - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the possession of cannabis.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to guarantee the right of an individual 21 years of age or older to possess, use, buy, or sell one ounce or less of cannabis and to cultivate, harvest, and store up to five cannabis plants for personal use; grant the General Assembly control over the production, processing, and sale of cannabis and cannabis-derived products; designate the ballot question; direct the Secretary of State to publish the proposed amendment in a newspaper of general circulation; direct the Secretary of State to certify the proposed amendment to the county clerk of each county.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB106 (BR920)/CI/LM - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to cannabis. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 218A to make possession of a personal use quantity of cannabis exempt from civil or criminal penalty; amend KRS 218A.010 to define "cannabis," "personal use quantity of cannabis," and "cannabis accessory"; amend KRS 218A.1422, regarding cannabis possession, to conform; amend KRS 218A.1423, regarding cannabis cultivation, to conform; amend KRS 218A.500, regarding drug paraphernalia, to exempt personal use cannabis accessories; amend KRS 218A.1421, regarding cannabis trafficking, to exempt personal use quantities; amend KRS 138.872 to exclude personal use quantities from the cannabis stamp tax; amend KRS 218A.410 and 533.030 to conform; create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to allow expungement of certain convictions relating to cannabis and to apply expungement retroactively; RETROACTIVE, in part.

attorney, county attorney, or assistant county attorney from engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with another person AN ACT relating to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing,

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB107 (BR378)/LM - N. Kulkarni, S. Heavrin, G. Brown Jr., L. Willner

AN ACT relating to unemployment insurance.

Amend KRS 341.370 to prohibit disqualification from benefits for workers unemployed as a result of domestic violence and abuse, dating violence and abuse, sexual assault, or stalking; create a new section of KRS Chapter 341 to direct the secretary of the Education and Labor Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 341.125 to require the secretary to provide training to personnel who process claims related to domestic or dating violence and abuse, sexual assault, or stalking and to report to the Legislative Research Commission annually the number of claims paid involving domestic or dating violence and abuse, sexual assault, or stalking; amend KRS 341.360 to conform; amend KRS 341.530 to charge benefits to pooled account for workers displaced from employment through domestic or dating violence and abuse, sexual assault, or stalking; amend KRS 341.550 to prevent benefit payments from pooled account from impacting an employer's experience rating.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment

HB108 (BR214)/LM - M. Clines, P. Flannery

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AN ACT relating to an ad valorem tax exemption for motor vehicles.

Amend KRS 132.4851 to establish a state property tax rate reduction and exemption for motor vehicles assessed under KRS 132.485; amend KRS 132.020 to conform.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB109 (BR922) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to abandoned property.

Amend KRS 383.020 to specify duties of landlord with respect to abandoned personal property.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB110 (BR926)/LM - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to peace officers. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to define terms; impose a duty on peace officers to intervene to prevent or stop another officer from using physical force that will cause unlawful serious physical injury, death, or deprivation of civil rights; impose a duty to provide or amend KRS 15.330 to require the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to prescribe minimum standards for use of force by officer, an officer's duty to intervene, and reporting of police officer misconduct; amend KRS 413.115 to require that an action for retaliatory personnel actions to be commenced within three years.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB111 (BR375) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to soil conservation. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 262 to establish a Healthy Soils Program and a Healthy Soils Program fund in the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Conservation; require the department to provide technical advice and assistance and to assist with soil health assessments and soil health plans; require the commissioner to approve applications for grants and other types of financial assistance under the Healthy Soils Program; authorize the department to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the Healthy Soils Program and the Healthy Soils Program fund; amend KRS 146.100 to require the director of the Division of Conservation to have experience in healthy soil practices; amend KRS 224.71-110 to require the Agriculture Water Quality Authority to promote soil restoration and include an organic agriculture organization among appointments to the authority and add healthy soil practices as a committee; amend KRS 262.010 to define "healthy soil practices," "soil health," "soil health assessment," and "watershed health"; amend KRS 262.020 to add restoration, biological diversity, watershed health, and healthy soil practices to the purpose of soil and water conservation districts: amend KRS 262.748 and 262.778 to conform.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

HB112 (BR187)/FN - P. Griffee, E. Callaway, T. Huff

AN ACT relating to welcome centers and rest areas.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 177 to define "acknowledgment sign" and "sponsorship agreement"; allow the Transportation Cabinet to enter into sponsorship agreements with private entities to sponsor welcome centers and rest areas on the interstate and state highway system; direct that all contributions shall be used on maintenance and upkeep of the welcome center or rest area; require the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to establish a sponsorship policy and process to enter into sponsorship agreements.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle usage tax.

Amend KRS 138.470 to exempt from motor vehicle usage tax any vehicle purchase outside the state by a veteran or member of the United States Armed Forces while that person was on active duty.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB114 (BR439) - T. Truett, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to landowner liability for recreational use permission.

Amend KRS 150.645, relating to landowner liability, to provide that an owner, lessee, or occupant of premises who gives permission to another person to rock climb, boulder, or rappel on the premises shall not be liable for any injury to any person or property caused by the negligent acts of any person to whom permission is granted except for willful and malicious failure on behalf of the owner, lessee, or occupant; amend KRS 411.190, relating to obligations of owner to persons using land for recreation, to include rocks, boulders, and cliffs in the definition of "land" and rock climbing, bouldering, and rappelling in the definition of "recreational purpose."

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

**HB115 (BR360)** - R. White, J. Calloway, P. Flannery, D. Hale

AN ACT relating to vehicle lights. Amend KRS 189.920, to allow wreckers to be equipped with a flashing, rotating, or oscillating blue light, to be used only when removing a vehicle or debris from the highway; prohibit a wrecker from using a blue light when towing a vehicle.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB116 (BR116) - R. White, S. Baker, J. Bauman, J. Calloway, S. Doan, C. Fugate, D. Hale, T. Huff, S. Maddox, D. Meade, K. Moser, N. Tate, W. Thomas, T. Truett, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to the Ten Commandments in public schools. Amend KRS 158.195 to allow the reading or posting of the Ten Commandments in a public school building, classroom, or event.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

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HB118 (BR338) - M. Meredith, K. Jackson, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., R. Duvall, S. Heavrin, DJ Johnson, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, A. Neighbors, J. Nemes, R. Raymer, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to research doctoral programs at Western Kentucky University.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Western Kentucky University to offer up to five research doctoral degree programs.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB119 (BR469) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to historical instruction.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require African history instruction in certain middle and high school world history and civilization courses; require Native American history instruction in certain middle and high school United States history courses; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations establishing academic standards for the required historical instructions; require superintendents to adopt curricula for required instruction; require the Department of Education to collaborate with the Kentucky Center for African-American Heritage and the Kentucky Native American Heritage Commission to develop recommended curricula and instruction guidelines for the required historical instruction, elective high school course offerings in African history and Native American history, and relevant professional development materials.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB120 (BR291)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to gun safety for children.

Amend KRS 527.010 to define "securely locked container" and make technical corrections; create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to prohibit unlawful storage of a firearm; establish elements of the crime as recklessly allowing access to an unsecured firearm by a minor; establish the crime as a Class B misdemeanor unless a physical injury or death results, in which case it is a Class A misdemeanor; provide that an affirmative defense exists if a minor obtained the firearm through the minor's unlawful entry; provide that the Act may be cited as the Baby Dre Gun Safety Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB121 (BR197)/LM - G. Brown Jr., C. Aull, K. Banta, J. Bray, L. Burke, A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, K. Holloway, N. Kulkarni, A. Moore, L. Willner

obtain emergency medical assistance; require reporting of intervention; provide administrative and legal protections;

HB113 (BR56)/FN/LM - P. Griffee, E. Callaway, T. Huff

HB117 (BR388) - A. Neighbors Feb 04-WITHDRAWN AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to slavery and involuntary servitude as a punishment for crime.

Propose to amend Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude in all circumstances, including as punishment for a crime; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental

HB122 (BR465) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry, M. Marzian, A. Moore

Affairs (H)

AN ACT relating to sales and use tax exemptions for baby and personal care products.

Amend KRS 139.010, relating to the sales and use taxes, to define terms; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt from sales and use tax the sale or purchase of baby bottles, baby wipes, breast pumps, breast pump collection and storage supplies, breast pump kits, diapers, menstrual discharge collection devices, and incontinence products; apply to sales or purchases made on or after July 1, 2025, but before July 1, 2029; require the Department of Revenue to report annually to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue the total exemptions claimed for the previous fiscal year; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report to the Legislative Research Commission.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB123 (BR463) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to sales and use tax exemptions for menstrual discharge collection devices.

Amend KRS 139.010, relating to the sales and use taxes, to define "menstrual discharge collection devices"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt from sales and use tax the sale or purchase of menstrual discharge collection devices; apply to sales or purchases made on or after July 1, 2025, but before July 1, 2029; require the Department of Revenue to report annually to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue the total exemptions claimed for the previous fiscal year; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report to the Legislative Research Commission.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB124 (BR467)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 237 to define "assault weapon," "large capacity ammunition feeding device, and "seller of ammunition"; require background checks for private firearms sales; require reporting to law enforcement of firearm and ammunition thefts and losses; require the safe storage of firearms; require the Department of Kentucky State Police to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the licensing of persons to possess handguns and assault weapons, the registration of handguns and assault weapons, and the logging of firearms and ammunition sales effective January 1, 2026; amend KRS 237.990 to establish penalties; create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to create the offense of criminal purchase or disposal of a weapon; amend KRS 395.250 to require an estate's inventory to list each firearm; amend KRS 403.735 to require judges, when issuing an order of protection, to consider whether a person against whom the order is entered should be prohibited from possessing an firearm; amend KRS 504.030 to require judges in criminal cases where a person is found not guilty by reason of insanity to demand the surrender of the defendant's firearms; amend KRS 506.080 to add that the offense of facilitation includes assistance in providing firearms; amend KRS 508.020 to include physical injury to a minor by virtue of the intentional discharge of a firearm within the offense of assault in the second degree; amend KRS 527.040 to require that the sentence for a felon in possession of a firearm be served consecutively to any other felony sentence; amend KRS 527.070 to include postsecondary education facilities within the existing ban on firearms in schools; amend KRS 532.030 to require the judge pronouncing a defendant guilty but mentally ill to demand the surrender of the person's firearms; amend KRS 65.1591, 237.104, 237.115, and 532.025 to conform; repeal KRS 65.870, relating to the prohibition of local firearm control ordinances; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026; EMERGENCY.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB125 (BR453) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to discriminatory practices against a person. Amend KRS 344.010 to provide definitions of "protective hairstyle" and "race" that include traits historically associated with race; amend KRS 158.148 to provide that school disciplinary codes shall prohibit discrimination on the basis of race; provide that the Act may be cited as the C.R.O.W.N. Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB126 (BR454) - G. Brown Jr., B.

Amend KRS 2.110 to add the nineteenth day of June as a state holiday commemorating Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB127 (BR455) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to Black History Season.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate January 15 to April 4 of each year as Black History Season; require the Governor to proclaim Black History Season and to encourage Kentuckians to acknowledge its significance.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government

(H)

HB128 (BR458) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to criminal histories of job applicants.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 344 to prohibit employers from considering or requiring disclosure of prior criminal history as part of the initial job application; provide that the Act may be cited as the Ban the Box - The Criminal Record Employment Discrimination Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB129 (BR459)/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to a living wage. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require any employer doing business in Kentucky that receives governmental incentives or subsidies to pay its employees a living wage.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB130 (BR456) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to cosmetology. Amend KRS 317A.010 to allow fixed or mobile beauty salons, esthetic salons, nail salons, and limited beauty salons; amend KRS 317A.020 and 317A.145 to consider any type of mobile salon a "facility" and a "premises"; amend KRS 317A.060 to require the cosmetology board to set the standards for mobile and fixed salons and establish inspection schedules; direct any administrative regulations to balance licensee and public interests; amend KRS 317A.050 and 317A.155 to conform. Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB131 (BR429) - M. Meredith, K. Jackson, C. Aull, A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, R. Duvall, D. Grossberg, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to firefighters' work schedules.

Amend KRS 95.500 to allow, absent a collective bargaining agreement, specified fire personnel to have schedules consisting of 48 hours on duty followed by 96 hours of off duty time; specify that collective bargaining agreements maintained by a city or urban-county government may control work hours in lieu of the specified schedules.

#### HB131 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions of the bill except allow for a work schedule of on duty for 24 hours, off duty for 72 hours, on duty again for 48 hours and then off duty again for 72 hours; make technical corrections and stipulate that any change in a work schedule made pursuant to this subsection shall not result in a decrease in the compensation of firefighters, exclusive of nonscheduled overtime.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

HB132 (BR1116)/FN - N. Wilson, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to home and hospital instruction.

Amend KRS 158.033 to allow a student admitted to an inpatient facility to receive home and hospital services effective on the day of admittance.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Education (S)

HB133 (BR1118) - S. Doan, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to universal

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AN ACT relating to firearms and declaring an emergency.

AN ACT relating to state holidays.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

recognition of occupational licenses. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 335B to allow universal recognition of occupational licenses and government certifications; include work experience as a basis for licensure or certification; explicity include military personnel and their spouses; provide that the Act may be cited as the Universal Recognition of Occupational Licenses Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB134 (BR857)/LM - J. Bauman, P. Griffee, T. Huff, C. Lewis

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt for homeowners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of their permanent residence that is assessed after the later of the year the homeowner turned 65 or the year the homeowner purchased the property; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemption to increases in valuation that occur after the date the amendment is ratified by the voters; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB135 (BR991)/CI/LM - J. Bauman, C. Lewis, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to workplace violence against drivers of public transportation. Amend KRS 508.025 to expand assault in the third degree to include causing or attempting to cause physical injury to a driver of any form of public transportation acting in the course and scope of the driver's employment.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB136 (BR224) - J. Bauman, J. Blanton, E. Callaway, J. Decker, R. Duvall, C. Fugate, P. Griffee, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, D. Lewis, M. Pollock, B. Wesley, W. Williams, N. Wilson, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to corrections data reporting.

Amend KRS 439.3103 to require the Department of Corrections to include in its report certain data on time served by persons released from a correctional institution and on persons released from a correctional institution on parole; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 82-10

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB137 (BR992)/LM - J. Gooch Jr., DJ Johnson, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to air quality monitoring.

Amend KRS 77.155 and 224.20-110 to require that for purposes of determining compliance with the requirements established by an air pollution control board, the Energy and Environment Cabinet, or the federal Clean Air Act, only the most current data collection methods approved or promulgated by the United States **Environmental Protection Agency shall** be used; provide that data collected using a method that does not meet those requirements shall not be admissible or considered in an enforcement proceeding initiated by the air pollution control board, an air pollution control officer, the cabinet, or a private citizen; amend KRS 77.160 to conform.

#### HB137 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; allow an air pollution control board and the Energy and Environment Cabinet to use a method or test that produces defensible, quality-assured data that is accepted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency when enforcing compliance with the requirements of KRS Chapter 77 or 224 or the federal Clean Air Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 73-16 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (S)

HB138 (BR1077)/LM - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to earned paid sick leave.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require employers to provide earned paid sick leave to employees; provide that employees earn paid sick leave upon the date of hire and can use the leave after being employed for 90 days; set forth allowable uses of accrued earned paid sick leave; designate how notice of need to use earned paid sick leave is provided by employees; amend KRS 337.990 to establish the penalty for employers that fail to follow earned paid sick leave requirements.

Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB139 (BR1082)/CI/LM - S. Maddox, S. Rudy, J. Calloway, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to concealed deadly weapons.

Amend KRS 237.109 to lower the age requirement for carrying a concealed and deadly weapon from 21 to 18; amend KRS 237.110 to conform; make technical corrections.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB140 (BR816) - C. Massaroni Feb 12-WITHDRAWN

HB141 (BR1114) - C. Massaroni, T. Roberts, J. Calloway, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky National Guard.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 38 to restrict the use of the Kentucky National Guard outside of state active duty unless Congress officially declares war or has taken official action pursuant to the Constitution of the United States and has satisfied any outstanding balance to the Kentucky National Guard; allow the Governor to deploy the National Guard under Title 32 of the United States Code to assist in border protection, for not more than 30 days, when the governor of a state or territory has declared an invasion; provide that the Act may be cited as the Defend the Guard Act.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB142 (BR111)/CI/LM - M. Proctor, T. Roberts, K. Banta, J. Calloway, M. Clines, S. Dietz, S. Doan, M. Hart, J. Hodgson, M. Lockett, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to real property rights.

Amend KRS 511.010 and 512.010 to define "squatter"; amend KRS 511.090 to allow a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request a peace officer to immediately remove any squatter occupying a dwelling or commercial building under certain circumstances; provide criminal and civil immunity to peace officers acting in good faith; amend KRS 512.020 and 512.030 to specifically include damage to residential or commercial property caused by squatters in the offense of criminal mischief; create a new section of KRS Chapter 514 to establish the offense of fraudulent sale or lease of real property.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB143 (BR1095)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Nemes, J. Calloway, J. Hodgson

Amend KRS 411.100, relating to a city's liability for damage done during the course of a riot, to provide that any form of local government shall be liable for damage done during the course of a riot if they could have prevented the damage; amend KRS 411.110, relating to a city's liability for any injury that results from any defect of any bridge, street, sidewalk, or other public thoroughfare, to provide that any form of local government shall be liable for any injury that results from any defect of any bridge, street, sidewalk, or other public thoroughfare.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB144 (BR1109) - S. Maddox, J. Calloway, D. Gordon, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to poultry. Create a new section of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 to allow certain USDAexempted poultry processors to sell to end consumers on a farm, at a farmers market, or at a roadside stand.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

HB145 (BR153) - M. Pollock Feb 12-WITHDRAWN

HB146 (BR822) - A. Tackett Laferty, E. Hancock, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, A. Gentry, V. Grossl, M. Hart, K. Holloway, M. Lockett, A. Moore, S. Stalker, R. White

AN ACT relating to the taxation of retirement distributions. Amend KRS 141.019 to increase the retirement distribution exclusion from \$31,110 to \$41,110 for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB147 (BR826) - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to railroad operations.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 277 to require a crew of at least two persons during operation of a train or light engine; amend KRS 277.990 to include penalties for crews of less than two persons.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB148 (BR830) - A. Tackett Laferty Feb 18-WITHDRAWN

HB149 (BR823) - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to paramedic education.

Create a new section of KRS 164.740 to 164.7891 to establish a coal-county

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic

AN ACT relating to legal liability for local governments.

paramedic scholarship to be administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority

(KHEAA); define terms; establish a fund in the State Treasury to be administered by KHEAA for providing coal county paramedic scholarships.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB150 (BR828) - A. Tackett Laferty Feb 18-WITHDRAWN

HB151 (BR821) - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable income tax credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow confidential tax return information to be shared with the Legislative Research Commission and Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB152 (BR330) - M. Meredith, J. Bauman, K. Fleming, C. Freeland, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to a Medicaid supplemental payment program for public ground ambulance providers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Department for Medicaid Services to submit a Medicaid preprint to establish a supplemental payment program for public ground ambulance providers.

HB152 - AMENDMENTS HCS1 - Retain original provisions; require that state match funds which are required to support the supplemental payment program for public ground ambulance providers, be from participating public ground ambulance providers; authorize the Department for Medicaid Services to retain a total of \$200,000 annually to offset administrative costs associated with the supplemental payment program. HCS2/FN - Retain original provisions; require that state match funds, which are required to support the supplemental payment program for public ground ambulance providers, be from participating public ground ambulance providers; require the identification of a continued source of local funding for the match funds; authorize the Department for Medicaid Services to retain a total of \$200,000 annually to offset administrative costs associated with the supplemental payment program.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Substitute (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (2); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-0 with Committee Substitute (2) Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB153 (BR232) - M. Imes, S. Rudy, R. Bivens, R. Bridges, J. Calloway, J. Decker, S. Doan, M. Dossett, D. Fister, C. Freeland, C. Fugate, J. Gooch Jr., P. Griffee, K. Holloway, DJ Johnson, K. King, M. Lockett, B. McCool, D. Meade, A. Moore, A. Neighbors, J. Nemes, J. Payne, M. Pollock, T. Roberts, N. Tate, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, K. Upchurch, R. White, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to a veterinary medicine program at Murray State University.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Murray State University to offer doctor's degrees required for professional practice and licensure in veterinary medicine.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB154 (BR87)/LM - J. Calloway, S. Doan, T. Huff, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to gender transition services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 311 to define terms;prohibit health care providers from accepting payment or reimbursement for gender transition services from a state or local government or Medicare, except when specific conditions exist; require licensing or certifying agencies to revoke a health care provider's license for a violation; create new sections of KRS Chapter 205 and Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304, and amend KRS 18A.225, 164.2871, and 304.17C-125 to require Medicaid, the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP), state or local government health plans and limited health service benefit plans, health plans and limited health service benefit plans that provide Medicare benefits that are publicly funded or subsidized, the state employee health plan, and state postsecondary education institution self-insured health plans to comply with the prohibition on payment or coverage for gender transition services; state findings of the General Assembly relating to the purpose of the Act; apply certain provisions to health plans issued or renewed on or after the effective date of Act.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB155 (BR885) - J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, J. Hodgson

or directed blood donations to comply with a health care provider's order prescribing an autologous or directed blood donation; allow health facilities to provide an autologous or directed blood donation ordered by a health care provider for a medical procedure.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

# HB156 (BR348) - T. Truett

AN ACT relating to public school curriculum.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 156 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop a guide for instructional materials collections adopted by the State Instructional Materials Commission that details the academic standards addressed by the materials, how the instructional materials are connected to specific learning targets aligned to the standards, sample questions, skills, and products students should be able to answer or demonstrate to meet the academic standards, and a curriculum guide for using the educational materials; amend KRS 156.395 to define "instructional material collection"; amend KRS 156.405 to reestablish the State Textbook Commission as the State Instructional Materials Commission and establish the scope of the commission's duties and membership; amend KRS 156.415 to reestablish fees for filing instructional materials collections for consideration and to conform; amend KRS 156.433 to delete reference to the state textbook fund and to conform; amend KRS 156.474 to apply to all educational funds and to conform; amend KRS 156.407, 156.410, 156.420, 156.425, 156.435, 156.437, 156.438, 156.440, 156.445, 156.460, 156.465, 156.470, 156.474, and 156.476 to conform.

Jan 09. 2025 - introduced in House: to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB157 (BR892)/LM - K. Upchurch, A. Moore, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to special license plates.

Amend KRS 186.162, relating to special motor vehicle license plates, to establish a friends of Kentucky agriculture special license plate, for which a portion of the initial and renewal fee is dedicated to the agricultural program trust fund established under KRS 246.247; amend KRS 186.166 to require perpetual production of the plate.

#### **HB157 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 186.162, relating to special motor vehicle license plates, to establish that there are no fees for veteran and Kentucky National Guard special license plates; amend KRS 186.041 to conform. HFA1(S. Rudy) - Retain original provisions; add that it shall be known and may be cited as the Travis Burton Friends of Agriculture Act.

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - Floor Amendment (1) withdrawn ; 3rd reading, passed 97-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB158 (BR114)/LM - R. White

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt from taxation a portion of the assessed value of real property maintained as the permanent residence of an owner who is a veteran or first responder; require an owner's disability status to meet the same disability requirements under Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky; allow real property maintained as the permanent residence of the surviving spouse of a veteran or first responder to receive an exemption based on the qualifiers of the veteran or first responder prior to his or her death; allow the General Assembly to set qualification requirements by law; prohibit a property from receiving more than one exemption under this new section of the Constitution of Kentucky; allow the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky; provide that the exemptions supersede contrary provisions of Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemptions to property assessed on or after January 1, 2027; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental

Affairs (H)

#### HB159 (BR1045) - M. Imes

AN ACT relating to the collection of delinquent tax bills.

Amend KRS 134.504 to require the allowance of a mass foreclosure procedure in the terms of a contract between the Department of Revenue and a county attorney; amend the fees a county attorney may receive in the process of litigation for the collection of a certificate of delinquency; create new sections of KRS Chapter 68 to establish a mass foreclosure process for counties to use in the collection of delinquent tax bills.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB160 (BR909)/LM - S. Witten, C. Aull, M. Clines, D. Fister, P. Flannery, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, J. Hodgson, DJ Johnson, J. Nemes, T. Roberts, T. Smith, K. Upchurch, J. Watkins, B. Wesley

Affairs, & Public Protection (H) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

AN ACT relating to blood donations Amend KRS 214.456 to require a health facility that facilitates autologous

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House: to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

AN ACT relating to manufactured housing.

Amend KRS 100.348 to prohibit a local government from adopting or enforcing zoning regulations that treat manufactured homes differently from single-family homes; allow only regulation of certain architectural features of manufactured homes and require that those same standards be applied to single family homes; permit placement of manufactured home with smaller dimensions if a larger manufactured home could not be situated on the lot; remove language regarding legislative purpose of statute; add noncodified statement of the intent of the General Assembly.

#### **HB160 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(P. Flannery) - Delete the original provisions of Section 1 and reinsert and amend KRS 100.348 to retain original provisions except reinsert language regarding intent of General Assembly that protection of property values is a legitimate exercise of a local government's power; change the definition of "qualified manufactured home" to remove date of manufacture and include that it must be installed within five years of it being built; remove references to manufacturer's installation requirements and instead require compliance with KRS 227.570; reinsert language regarding compatibility of manufactured homes with site-built homes within a one eighth mile radius; reinsert language permitting compatibility standards for square footage of livable space; add a permissable compatibility standard related to setbacks, lot dimensions, and orientation, so long as manufactured and site-built homes are subject to the same standard.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 90-5 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB161 (BR434) - K. Jackson, R. Duvall, D. Fister, C. Freeland, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, A. Neighbors, S. Riley, T. Smith, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, J. Tipton, K. Upchurch, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to identity documents.

Create a new section of KRS 186.400 to 186.640 to define "identity document" and "third-party entity"; require the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to establish procedures to allow third-party entities to apply to the Transportation Cabinet to be approved to accept applications for certain identity documents; set forth Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

#### HB162 (BR464) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to independent school districts.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 160 to establish a process for the creation of new independent school districts; define terms; establish a petition process for voters of a qualifying city to place the question of creating a new independent district and local board of education on the ballot; specify the requirements for the question and the board of education provisional election; establish the initial terms of office for the interim board of education; establish the transition of authorities from the originating district board of education to the boards of both the altered originating district and the new independent district; require the Kentucky Department of Education to calculate assets and liabilities of the originating district for division to the altered originating district and the new independent district; authorize the altered originating district to maintain control and use of assets until the scheduled transfer to the new independent district and authorize the continued payments of debts; establish a negotiation process between the altered originating district and the new independent district to resolve the division of the originating district's assets and liabilities; establish a deadline for the negotiation to conclude; provide a process for resolution of disagreements; establish a deadline for the transfer of all assets and debts; authorize the altered originating district to continue to assess and collect taxes for both districts until the close of the tax year in which the new independent district is fully operational; provide for the distribution of collected taxes during the transition period; require the mayor of the city to call the newly elected interim board of new independent district to meet; allow the interim board to request assistance from the Kentucky Department of Education; establish the transition process for the new independent district to become fully functional; allow the interim board to submit a waiver request for a statute or administrative regulation to the Kentucky Board of Education; authorize the interim board to enter into service contracts with another school district during the transition; establish a process for the interim board to vote to terminate the establishment of the new independent district due to financial nonviability during the transition; establish the transition from an interim board to a fully functional board of the new independent district; require the continued collection of taxes restricted to the payment of debt or interest; waive the requirement for school-based decision making for the first year of operations of the new independent district; require the interim board of the new independent district to develop a transition plan and establish the

establish a projection model for the first year of full operations of the new independent district and the altered originating district.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB163 (BR23) - M. Lockett, S. Doan, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to public school facilities.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 162 to define terms; require at least 95% of restroom facilities in a specified school building be designated for a specific biological sex; amend KRS 156.160 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB164 (BR385) - B. Wesley, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to adoption. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 199 to authorize posthumous adoption; provide that the Act may be cited as Braylon's Law.

#### **HB164 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; prohibit receipt of inheritance or other financial benefit due to the establishment of the legal relationship with the adopted child.

HFA1(S. Dietz) - Establish that the required guardian ad litem report be submitted to the court prior to the hearing.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 19, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

HB165 (BR824) - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to occupational disease claims.

Amend KRS 342.125 to remove the requirement that an affected employee previously diagnosed with occupational pneumoconiosis resulting from exposure to coal dust must have an additional two years of employment in the Commonwealth wherein the employee was continuously exposed to the hazards of the disease in order to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB166 (BR825) - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr., A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation.

Amend KRS 342.315 to eliminate the requirement that physicians contracting with the commissioner of the Department of Workers' Claims to perform evaluations in occupational disease claims be "B" readers who are licensed in Kentucky and are boardcertified pulmonary specialists; amend KRS 342.316 to allow the commissioner to select a physician or medical facility for referral in occupational disease claims and eliminate the requirement that such physicians be "B" readers who are licensed in Kentucky and are boardcertified pulmonary specialists; amend KRS 342.794 to delete the definition of "board-certified pulmonary specialist" and eliminate the requirement that physicians on the list of qualified "B" readers maintained by the commissioner include only those licensed in Kentucky and board-certified pulmonary specialists.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

**HB167 (BR829)** - A. Tackett Laferty, G. Brown Jr., S. Sharp, S. Stalker, W. Thomas, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to school lunches. Amend KRS 160.345 to require a school council to adopt a policy requiring students to be assigned a lunch period of at least 30 minutes in length; amend KRS 158.153 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB168 (BR1166) - T. Bojanowski Feb 12-WITHDRAWN

HB169 (BR1032)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to school board elections.

Amend KRS 160.200 to require the offices of boards of education to have a partisan primary or partisan election; amend KRS 160.210 to require school board candidates to have emblems of political party affiliation presented on the ballot; amend various KRS sections to conform; and repeal KRS 160.250 and 160.260, relating to election of local board of education members.

### HB169 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(T. Roberts) - Remove Sections 1 through 13 in their entirety; create a new section of KRS Chapter 118 to allow political parties to endorse candidates for nonpartisan elections, judicial elections, and ballot measures; require

minimum standards for third-party issuance; and allow third-party entities to charge a fee for services provided. requirements of the plan; create a new section of KRS Chapter 157, relating to state formula funding calculations, to

reopen a claim.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to

county clerks and the Secretary of State to display the endorsements on their websites at least 30 days before a regular election and provide each voter with the endorsement information along with his or her ballot; create a presumption that a straight-ticket vote for a political party shall include candidates and ballot measures endorsed by the party, unless the voter indicates otherwise. HFA2(T. Roberts) - Make title amendment.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendments (1) and (2-title) filed

#### HB170 (BR140) - W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to Option 9 alternative teacher certification programs.

Amend KRS 161.048 to allow employment in substitute teaching to qualify as part of the required residency or paraprofessional component of an Option 9 alternative teacher certification program.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB171 (BR284) - W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to special purpose governmental entities.

Amend KRS 65A.030, relating to special purpose governmental entities, to increase the audit and financial statement responsibility thresholds; amend KRS 65A.010 and 95A.055 to raise the fire department audit and financial statement responsibility thresholds; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB172 (BR283) - W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to vehicle wheels. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to require vehicles operating on a highway with an iron, steel, or wooden wheel to be equipped with a rubberized strip on the portion of the wheel that is in contact with the highway; provide exceptions; amend KRS 189.990 to set penalty for violation at \$20 to \$100 for each offense.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB173 (BR65)/LM - R. Dotson, J. Calloway, D. Lewis, T. Roberts, R. White

AN ACT relating to rental properties. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 preempting local governments from adopting or enforcing ordinances that create a registry of rental properties for enumerated reasons.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB174 (BR936) - N. Tate

AN ACT relating to undesignated glucagon.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 217 to define terms; permit health care practitioners to prescribe and dispense undesignated glucagon in the name of a school or to a trained individual; permit trained individuals to receive, possess, and administer undesignated glucagon during diabetic medical emergencies; permit schools to stock undesignated glucagon; provide for immunity from civil liability for any personal injury resulting from good faith actions to use undesignated glucagon to treat diabetic medical emergencies.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB175 (BR1033) - T. Roberts, J.

AN ACT relating to signage on statemaintained highways.

Hodgson

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 177 to require that border signs on statemaintained highways not display the name of the Governor or Lieutenant Governor; require the Transportation Cabinet to update existing signage within 30 days of the effective date of the Act.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB176 (BR1028) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to an income tax credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to allow a refundable income tax credit for the firearm making tax, firearm special occupational tax, or firearm transfer tax for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030; amend KRS 141.0205 and 131.190 to order the credit.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB177 (BR1093) - T. Roberts, J. Hodgson, J. Calloway, S. Doan, V. Grossl, M. Hart, S. Maddox, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to restoring religious liberty.

Amend KRS 446.350 to define "government" and "substantially burden"; outline procedures and relief that may be sought if statute is violated; outline procedures and relief for any inmate who alleges a violation of this statute; establish duties and authority of the Attorney General; apply to laws adopted before or after the effective date of this statute; include severability clause; waive sovereign, judicial, and governmental immunity; waive qualified immunity under specified circumstances.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) HB178 (BR1080) - S. Maddox, J. Calloway, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to fiscal statements. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 6 to define "Fiscal note"; require fiscal notes to be filed with the clerk in the chamber of the General Assembly for each bill or resolution that is filed; establish requirements related to fiscal notes for the director of the Legislative Research Commission; require fiscal notes to contain specific information; amend KRS 6.950, 6.955, 6.960, 6.965, and 6.970 to rename fiscal note to local government mandate statement; amend KRS 13A.190, 13A.230, 13A.250, and 13A.280 to rename fiscal note to fiscal note on state and local government.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB179 (BR1119)/FN - S. Doan, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to sales and use tax exemptions for bullion and currency.

Repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 139.480 to exempt currency and bullion from sales and use tax as of August 1, 2024.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

# HB180 (BR1140) - C. Massaroni, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 117.228 to remove a credit or debit card as a secondary form of identification to confirm a voter's identity.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB181 (BR1141) - C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to teacher scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.769 to remove expected family income from the selection criteria for the teacher scholarship; amend KRS 164.7889 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

# HB182 (BR303)/LM - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to government services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define "state or local government"; prohibit a state or local government from using the word "free" in a description of a benefit, product, or service financed with public funds.

# HB182 - AMENDMENTS

taxpayers who funded a given benefit, product, or service.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government

(H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed

#### HB183 (BR1066) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to jurisdiction of contractor disputes involving real property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish exclusive jurisdiction for contractor dispute actions involving real property located in this state.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB184 (BR1186) - M. Clines

AN ACT relating to the insurance regulatory sandbox.

Amend KRS 304.3-705 to extend the insurance regulatory sandbox program until December 31, 2030; amend KRS 304.3-735 to extend the commissioner's reporting requirement.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

#### HB185 (BR488)/AA - C. Fugate

AN ACT relating to eligibility for benefits in the systems administered by the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority. Amend KRS 61.595 to allow full-time employment for services to Kentucky River Community Care to be used for determining retirement eligibility in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) but not the amount of benefits; amend KRS 61.552 to allow full-time employment for services to Kentucky River Community Care to be used towards meeting the 20 year service eligibility requirement for nonqualified service purchases made at less than 20 years of service.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB186 (BR494) - R. Duvall, K. Moser, K. Banta, J. Bray, J. Calloway, B. Chester-Burton, K. Fleming, D. Gordon, V. Grossl, D. Hale, M. Hart, K. King, D. Osborne, J. Payne, T. Roberts, S. Sharp

HFA1(A. Donworth) - Retain original provisions, except require a state or local government to recognize the

AN ACT relating to the donation of food.

Amend KRS 217.127 to define " charitable food donor" as a nonprofit or religious organization that is recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or homebased processor, which produces food for distribution to a homeless shelter or to individuals displaced due to a declared natural disaster; exempt a charitable food donor from the licensing requirements of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 and application of State Plumbing Code requirements; amend KRS 217.218 to conform; amend KRS 411.241 to exempt a nonprofit or religious organization that is recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or a homebased processor from civil or criminal liability arising from the production or donation of food to a homeless shelter or to individuals displaced due to a declared natural disaster.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

HB187 (BR867) - R. Duvall, D. Fister, M. Hart, K. King, R. Roarx, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to investment in youth vaping prevention.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to create the vaping settlement trust fund to be administered by the Office of the Attorney General; direct the deposit of certain litigation proceeds into the fund; direct the allowable use of fund moneys for certain youth vaping prevention and cessation efforts.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

# HB188 (BR136)/LM - R. Duvall

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle driveaway plates.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 281, relating to motor vehicle carriers, to establish a driveaway plate as a new type of license plate to be issued by county clerks and the Transportation Cabinet; specify associated fees and restrictions; amend KRS 281.631 to conform.

# HB188 - AMENDMENTS

HFA1(R. Duvall) - Retain original provisions; insert restriction on vehicles that can utilize a driveaway plate.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 88-1 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Transportation (S)

#### HB189 (BR353) - R. Duvall

AN ACT relating to contributions made to a Kentucky qualified expense program.

Create a new section to KRS Chapter 141 to provide employers a tax credit for contributions to an employee's Kentucky Educational Savings Plan Trust account or STABLE Kentucky account; amend KRS 141.0205 to specify ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

HB190 (BR1017) - R. Duvall, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to advanced educational opportunities.

Amend KRS 158.6453 to define "advanced coursework"; require each local board of education develop an accelerated learning plan for students with identified strengths; direct local board of education to adopt policies for advanced coursework in designated subject areas; establish a reporting requirement for the Kentucky Department of Education related to the number of accelerated learning courses offered, the demographics of eligible students, the number of students placed in those courses, and the number of students not placed in those courses; amend KRS 160.348 to direct schoolbased decision making councils to adopt designated policies relating to advanced courses; provide that students who meet certain criteria shall be granted automatic enrollment in advanced coursework; provide that a student shall not be withdrawn or excluded from advanced coursework without written parental consent.

# HB190 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 158.6453 to define "advanced coursework"; require each local board of education to develop a district plan for advanced coursework and accelerated learning; establish minimum requirements for the plan; establish permissive components of the plan; direct the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations related to the district plan; direct the Department of Education to establish guidelines; amend KRS 160.348 to direct school-based decision making councils to adopt designated policies relating to advanced courses and accelerated learning.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H) Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 26, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB191 (BR72) - A. Thompson, B. Wesley, C. Aull, S. Bratcher, D. Grossberg, D. Hale, M. Hart, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to interment at state veterans' cemeteries.

Amend KRS 40.315 to expand interment eligibility in Kentucky state veterans' cemeteries to include eligible National Guard and Reserve service members and their families; EMERGENCY.

# HB191 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; remove emergency and replace with delayed effective date of January 1, 2026. HCA1(B. McCool) - Make title amendment.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee

Amendment (1-title) Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 13, 2025 Feb 14, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 18, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

HB192 (BR282) - S. McPherson, W. Thomas, C. Aull, E. Callaway, D. Fister, D. Hale, K. Jackson, K. King, A. Moore, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to income taxation of military pensions.

Amend KRS 141.019 to exclude all distributions from military pension plans received by retired members of the United States military and National Guard and their surviving spouse or former spouse under a survivor benefit plan from income taxation for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030; require reporting by the Department of Revenue; amend KRS 131.190 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB193 (BR827) - J. Payne, J. Tipton, B. Chester-Burton, K. King

AN ACT relating to dual credit scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.786 to add eligibility for high school freshmen and sophomores, require an "approved dual of application date; revise scholarship to allow two career and technical dual credit courses in each academic year of high school and two general education dual credit courses in the 11th and 12th grades; amend KRS 164.787 to conform.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Education (S)

#### HB194 (BR1187)/LM - S. Witten

AN ACT relating to animal control officers.

Create a new section of KRS 258.095 to 258.500 to require animal control officers to receive training on recognizing child abuse; amend KRS 620.030 to add animal control officers to the list of people with a duty to report dependency, neglect, or abuse of a child; provide that the Act may be cited as Kyan's Law.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB195 (BR1196) - S. Witten, K. Banta, T. Bojanowski, K. Fleming, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, S. Heavrin, K. Jackson, K. King, C. Lewis, D. Lewis, S. Lewis, J. Nemes, J. Payne, M. Pollock, S. Riley, R. Roarx, T. Smith, P. Stevenson, W. Thomas, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to tax incentives for first-time home buyers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to define terms; establish a tax deduction for contributions made to an eligible savings account by a first-time home buyer and allow an exclusion from income for any interest earned from an eligible savings account of a first-time home buyer effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2036; require the Department of Revenue to report to the Legislative Research Commission and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue; amend KRS 141.019 and 131.190 to conform.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB196 (BR1153) - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to coal mining. Amend KRS 351.127 to reduce the number of emergency medical or mine emergency technicians required to be on shift at every active coal mine from two to one, if the number of employees on

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) credit course" to be in the statewide general education core; provide that scholarships shall be awarded in order the shift is 10 or fewer.

HB196 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; establish tiers for the number of emergency medical or mine emergency technicians required based on the number of miners working on the production shift; amend KRS 351.010 to define "emergency medical technician" and "mine emergency technician."

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Natural Resources

& Energy (H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 19, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 76-16 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

# HB197 (BR1121) - S. Doan, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to higher education. Amend KRS 164.020 to abolish the Council on Postsecondary Education and transfer authorities and duties to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; amend KRS 164.746 to add three student members to the board of the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; amend various sections of KRS Chapters 164, 164A, 165, 165A, 168, 171, 183, 200, 210, 214, 309, 367, 11A, 12, 18A, 42, 56, 61, 63, 64, 138, 151B, 154, 156, 157, 158, 160, and 161 to conform; repeal KRS 164.011, which created and established the Council on Postsecondary Education; dissolve the Council on Postsecondary Education and transfer personnel, records, files, equipment, and funds to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; make technical corrections.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB198 (BR1142) - C. Massaroni, J. Calloway

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to provide the General Assembly the authority to exempt all or a portion of any class of property from taxation or eliminate all or a portion of any tax and the related provisions of that tax; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB199 (BR1139)/CI - C. Massaroni, T. Roberts, J. Calloway, J. Hodgson

510.110 to provide that rape in the first degree, sodomy in the first degree, and sexual abuse in the first degree shall be capital offenses when the victim is under 12 years old; amend KRS 532.025 to conform.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB200 (BR390) - J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to building code violations.

Amend KRS 198B.130 to establish criteria for a violation for deviation from the Uniform State Building Code.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

# HB201 (BR1195)/CI/LM - M. Lockett, S. Rudy, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to theft by failure to make required disposition of property.

Amend KRS 514.060, relating to theft of services, to include the conduct of a person holding the property of another under a rental agreement longer than the period agreed upon and depriving the owner of its use for future rentals.

#### **HB201 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/LM - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 514.070, relating to theft by failure to make required disposition of property, to include the conduct of a person holding the property of another under a rental agreement longer than the period agreed upon and depriving the owner of its use for future rentals. HCA1(D. Elliott) - Make title amendment.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title); reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 88-1 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title) Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

HB202 (BR1201) - D. Grossberg

Feb 18-WITHDRAWN

HB203 (BR421)/CI - K. Fleming, J. Gooch Jr., V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to abortion. Amend KRS 311.720, 311.7701, and 311.781 to define terms; amend KRS 311.723, 311.725, 311.727, 311.732, 311.7706, 311.772, 311.780, and 311.782 to allow an abortion when the unborn child has a lethal fetal anomaly and delineate additional medical circumstances for the performance of an abortion; allow an abortion when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest and the abortion occurs no later than six weeks after the first day of the woman's last menstrual period; amend KRS 311.800 to provide for an abortion in a publicly owned hospital under certain circumstances; amend KRS 213.101 to add rape or incest to the reporting requirement; amend KRS 311.760 to conform.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB204 (BR1083)/CI/LM - S. Maddox, T. Roberts, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to concealed deadly weapons.

Repeal KRS 237.115, which interprets the application of the license to carry concealed deadly weapon statute as permitting postsecondary facilities, local governments, and units of state government to limit concealed carry in governmental buildings; amend KRS 150.172, 237.110, and 527.020 to conform; amend KRS 237.110 to no longer prohibit the carrying of concealed deadly weapons in schools and specify that the prohibition of carrying concealed deadly weapons in airports is limited to areas controlled by the Transportation Security Administration; make technical corrections; amend KRS 527.070 to add persons with valid licenses to carry concealed deadly weapons to the list of those permitted to possess weapons in schools.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB205 (BR470) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to teachers. Amend KRS 161.030 to remove the authority of the Education Professional Standards Board to require successful completion of assessments prior to teacher certification; amend KRS 161.048 and 161.053 to conform.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB206 (BR59) - J. Nemes, J. Bauman, J. Blanton, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke, B. Chester-Burton, J. Decker, D. Elliott, P. Griffee, S. Maddox, K. Moser, T. Roberts, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to wrongful conviction compensation.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a cause of action for a person who was wrongfully convicted of a felony in the Commonwealth; specify amounts of damages that may be awarded to claimants; establish the wrongful conviction compensation fund.

#### HB206 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/CI - Retain original provisions, except remove the requirement that the claimant be incarcerated in the Commonwealth; require a claimant to 17.510 for a conviction for another felony crime that the claimant committed: provide that any award of attorney's fees over \$25,000 not exceed the public contract hourly rate for attorney's fees; remove compensation for any reintegrative services and health care costs; remove reimbursement for housing costs incurred by the claimant for the time period between his or her release from incarceration and entry of judgment under this Act; remove an award of other nonmonetary relief, including personal financial literacy assistance; remove the requirement for the court to issue a certificate of innocence upon finding the claimant is entitled to a judgment under this Act; make technical corrections; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

HFA1(J. Nemes) - Retain original provisions; make technical corrections.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

HB207 (BR1204) - J. Calloway, E. Callaway, T. Huff, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to materials, programs, or events alleged to be harmful to minors.

Amend KRS 158.192 to require the local board of education to allow parents and guardians an opportunity to orally recite passages from materials, programs, or events subject to appeal; require immediate removal of the material, program, or event if the board denies a parent or guardian the opportunity to orally recite passages.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB208 (BR120) - J. Bray, J. Tipton, S. Doan, C. Fugate, K. Jackson, K. Moser, M. Proctor, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to technology in public schools.

Amend KRS 158.165 to require local boards of education to adopt a policy to, at a minimum, prohibit student use of a personal telecommunications device during the school day with specific exceptions; amend KRS 156.675 to include social media in prohibited material to be made inaccessible through school technology and provide the scope of social media to be prohibited.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

AN ACT relating to sexual offenses against children.

Amend KRS 510.040, 510.070, and

receive compensation for any period of time that the claimant was concurrently registered as a sex offender under KRS Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HB209 (BR22)/CI - J. Tipton, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to the abolition of the death penalty.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to abolish the death penalty and replace it with life imprisonment without parole for inmates presently sentenced to death; amend KRS 532.030, relating to authorized dispositions for felony offenses, to remove the death penalty; amend KRS 533.010, relating to probation, to prohibit probation for a person sentenced to life without parole or life without parole for 25 years; amend KRS 640.010 to define terms; amend KRS 640.040, relating to penalties for juveniles convicted of felony offenses, to prohibit life imprisonment without benefit of parole for a capital offense; amend KRS 422.285, 532.050, and 532.100 to conform; repeal KRS 431.213, 431.2135, 431.218, 431.220, 431.223, 431.224, 431.240, 431.250, 431.260, 431.270, 507A.060, 532.025, 532.075, 532.130, 532.135, 532.140, 532.300, 532.305, and 532.309.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB210 (BR1013)/LM - M. Pollock, D. Lewis, M. Clines, R. Duvall, C. Freeland, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to dental benefit plans.

Create a new section of KRS 304.17C-130 to 304.17C-138 to establish requirements for insurers of dental benefit plans relating to assignment of benefits; require providers to comply with assignment provisions; amend KRS 304.14-250, 304.17-130, and 304.18-090 to conform; direct that provisions apply to policies, plans, and contracts issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 1st reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 2nd reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB211 (BR492)/LM - C. Lewis, J. Bauman, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, J. Gooch Jr., P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, M. Meredith, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to cigar bars. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; provide that local government restrictions on smoking shall not apply to cigar bars; require cigar bars to provide certain smoke-free spaces.

# HB211 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions; specify that the license for on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages is a quota retail drink license; authorize the cigar bar to also sell pipe tobacco; require that the cigar bar generate at least 15% of its annual income from the sale of cigars, rental of humidors, the tobacco, or a combination thereof; amend provisions relating to the validity of ordinances to the contrary; provide that cigar bars and the smoking of cigars and pipe tobacco on the premises allowed within the Commonwealth and are subject to laws not in conflict with this section; allow local governments to require permits and set parameters for the permits; require notice to be posted at entrances to indicate that smoke is present inside and that smoking of products other than cigars and pipe tobacco is prohibited.

HFA1(S. Doan) - Amend Section 1 to allow a local government to permit cigar bars without the requirement of a liquor license.

HFA2(C. Lewis) - Amend Section 1 of the bill to make a technical correction and exclude cigar bars from providing a smoke free delivery space if in operation as of the effective date of this act.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government

(H)

Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 13, 2025 ; floor amendment (1)

filed to Committee Substitute Feb 13, 2025 - floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 74-19 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendments (1) and (2)

Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to State & Local

Government (S)

#### HB212 (BR1078)/AA - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to the Teachers' Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 161 to remove provisions of HB 258 enacted during the 2021 Regular Session that created and adjusted benefits for individuals who become members of the Teachers' Retirement System on or after January 1, 2022; repeal KRS 161.633, 161.634, 161.635, and 161.636, relating to university and nonuniversity members; provide that these members shall be eligible for the benefits applicable to members who entered the system immediately prior to January 1, 2022; EMERGENCY.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB213 (BR1026)/LM - T. Roberts, S. Doan, J. Calloway, J. Hodgson, T. Huff

AN ACT relating to sanctuary policies. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define terms; prohibit local governments and local government personnel from enacting, adopting, or otherwise enforcing any sanctuary policy; allow civil actions against local detainer is released from custody as a result of a sanctuary policy of the local government or local law enforcement agency and commits a violent crime; withdraw immunities afforded local governments and local law enforcement agencies.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 04, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB214 (BR800) - A. Moore, A. Camuel, C. Aull, W. Lawrence, S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to a firearm safety course credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to define terms; establish a refundable credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030, for individuals who enroll in a firearm safety course during the taxable year; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide for the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB215 (BR801) - A. Moore, A. Gentry, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to local regulatory actions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 82 to define "city," "project labor agreement," and "public construction project"; permit a city to establish a mandatory preference for awarding public construction project contracts to unions through a negotiated project labor agreement; permit cities to negotiate wages that are higher than the state or federal minimum wage as a condition of the project labor agreement; create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to define "city," "prevailing wage," "prevailing wage rate," and "public works project"; permit a city to enact prevailing wage ordinances; amend KRS 65.016 to grant local governments the authority to adopt and enforce ordinances that require employers in their jurisdiction to provide leave to employees and set a higher minimum wage than state and federal rates; amend KRS 383.210 and 383.215, relating to forcible entry and detainer, to allow a local government to set an alternative time period from the date of the service of the warrant and the date of the hearing to more than the minimum of three days; require the local government to notify the sheriff, the court of jurisdiction, and the administrative office of the courts of that action; and amend KRS 65.1591 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB216 (BR395) - M. Dossett, R. Bivens, K. King

declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 246 to allow employees of the Department of Agriculture, except those employed within the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy, to participate in, apply for, or receive funds, awards, or contracts administered by the department's Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy; amend KRS 11A.040 to conform; RETROACTIVE; EMERGENCY.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

HB217 (BR832) - R. Raymer Feb 06-WITHDRAWN

#### HB218 (BR834) - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to the vaping settlement trust fund.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to create the vaping settlement trust fund to be administered by the Office of the Attorney General; direct the deposit of certain litigation proceeds into the fund; direct the allowable uses of fund moneys for certain vaping cessation and enforcement efforts.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB219 (BR1170) - R. Raymer, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to sexual assault emergency response training.

Amend KRS 216B.400 to require hospitals that offer emergency services to develop and provide training for emergency department staff on sexual assault emergency response requirements, protocols, and resources; amend KRS 314.011 and 403.707 to conform.

#### **HB219 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; add a board-certified child abuse pediatrician or designee and a children's advocacy center to required instruction.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 90-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

sale of pipe tobacco, the sale of paraphernalia and accessories related to the consumption of cigars and pipe governments or local law enforcement agencies for damages, costs, and attorney's fees if a person subject to a

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy and Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (S) HB220 (BR833)/CI/LM - R. Raymer, J. Decker, C. Aull, S. Bratcher, B. Chester-Burton, P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, K. King, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to driving under the influence.

Amend KRS 189A.010, relating to driving under the influence, to provide that a third or subsequent offense of driving under the influence within a 10year period is a Class D felony; provide that if a person is convicted of a third or subsequent offense of driving under the influence the minimum term of imprisonment shall be 120 days; amend KRS 189A.040, 189A.200, 189A.240, and 281A.2102 to conform.

HB220 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 189A.010 to create enhanced penalties for a person under the age of 21 who operates a motor vehicle with an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more; allow a violation of KRS 189A.010 by a person under the age of 21 who operates a motor vehicle with an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more to be included as a prior offense for enhancement purposes; amend KRS 189A.070 to create enhanced periods of license suspension for a person under the age of 21 who operates a motor vehicle with an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more; amend KRS 189A.340 and 189A.040 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB221 (BR914) - DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to licensed child-care centers.

Amend KRS 199.896 to establish square footage requirements for child-care centers.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

# HB222 (BR1237) - M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to planned communities.

Amend KRS 381.800 to establish that the provisions apply to all planned communities and any provision in an existing document to the contrary is void; make technical correction.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H) AN ACT relating to licensed dental hygienists.

Amend KRS 313.040 to expand the locations where a licensed dental hygienist may practice as a public health hygienist and provide dental hygiene services to include federally qualified health centers.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative

Regulations (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB224 (BR97) - A. Camuel, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., A. Gentry, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to employment. Amend KRS 336.130 to delete references restricting rights of public employees to organize, associate collectively, or strike; amend KRS 336.180 to redefine "labor organization" and delete definitions of "candidate," "committee," "contributing organization," "contribution," "election," "electioneering communications," "employer," "fundraiser," "independent expenditure," "political activities," "public employee," "slate of candidates," and "testimonial affair"; amend KRS 336.990 to conform; amend KRS 67A.6904 to allow urbancounty governments to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 67C.406 to allow consolidated local governments to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 70.262, 78.470, and 78.480 to remove exceptions; amend KRS 345.050 to allow public employers to make an agreement with a labor organization to require membership in the organization as a condition of employment; amend KRS 336.1341 and 336.135 to conform; repeal KRS 65.016, 336.132, and 336.134.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB225 (BR101) - A. Camuel Feb 20-WITHDRAWN

HB226 (BR102) - A. Camuel, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to an eligible caregiver tax credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish an eligible caregiver tax credit against the tax imposed in KRS 141.020; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB227 (BR106)/CI - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to sodomy. Repeal KRS 510.100, relating to sodomy in the fourth degree; amend KRS 194A.380 and 532.031 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB228 (BR240) - L. Willner, A. Camuel, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, K. Fleming, E. Hancock, K. Jackson, N. Kulkarni, S. McPherson, A. Moore, J. Nemes, S. Riley, R. Roarx, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to the rights of incarcerated children.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 600 to enumerate the rights of incarcerated children; provide that the Act may be cited as the Incarcerated Children's Bill of Rights.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

HB229 (BR994) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to labor standards. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require every employer to establish a workplace policy that provides employees the right to disconnect from communications from the employer during nonworking hours; amend KRS 337.990 to provide a penalty for violation of the lunch period requirements in KRS 337.355 and for violation by an employer of a right to disconnect workplace policy.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB230 (BR241) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to teacher professional development.

Amend KRS 156.095 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to create a professional development training schedule for certified personnel; require each local district to implement the schedule; require an additional day to be added to the school calendar if required training cannot be completed in a single calendar day; require school districts to submit a report to the department on the status of professional development training.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB231 (BR233) - L. Willner, M. Lehman,

AN ACT relating to menstrual discharge collection devices and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require each public school that includes any of grades six through 12 to provide free menstrual discharge collection devices to students; require each local board of education to adopt policies for the distribution of free menstrual discharge collection devices; define "menstrual discharge collection devices"; amend KRS 139.010 to define "menstrual discharge collection devices"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt from sales and use tax the sale or purchase of menstrual discharge collection devices; APPROPRIATION; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB232 (BR237) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to childhood sexual assault or abuse.

Amend KRS 413.249 to remove the statute of limitations for civil actions arising from childhood sexual assault or abuse.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB233 (BR1448) - W. Williams, D. Grossberg, S. McPherson

AN ACT relating to the prevention of harmful practices associated with property and casualty insurance.

Amend KRS 367.620 to define terms; amend KRS 367.622 to establish right to cancel a real estate goods or services contract within five business days after an insurer's notice of noncoverage; amend KRS 367.624 to establish notice requirements for real estate goods or services contracts; amend KRS 367.626 to establish cancellation and other requirements for real estate goods or services contracts; amend KRS 367.627 and 367.628 to establish penalties and requirements relating to real estate goods or services trade practices associated with property and casualty insurance; provide that the Act applies to contracts entered on or after the effective date of the Act.

#### **HB233 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; create a new section of KRS 367.620 to 367.628 to provide a construction clause; amend KRS 371.160 and KRS 371.425 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 06, 2025 - to Banking &

Insurance (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favo

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 18, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

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HB223 (BR1014) - D. Lewis, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, S. Riley

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to

G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, M. Marzian, R. Roarx, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson Feb 19, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

HB234 (BR1342) - W. Williams, B. Chester-Burton, K. King

AN ACT relating to airport police. Amend KRS 16.220, relating to confiscated firearms sold at public auction, to add airport safety and security department to the list of agencies that are eligible to receive grant funds from the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security for purchasing body armor and other necessary equipment.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H) Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S); 1st reading ; returned to Veterans,

Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S); 2nd reading ; returned to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

HB235 (BR1397)/LM - M. Marzian, B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr., R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to civil rights. Repeal and reenact KRS 344.010 to define terms; amend KRS 344.020, relating to the purpose of the Kentucky's civil rights chapter, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.025, 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, and 344.080, relating to prohibited discrimination in various labor and employment practices, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 210.033, 344.030, 344.100 and 344.110 to conform; amend KRS 344.120 and 342.140, relating to prohibited discrimination in places of public accommodation and advertisements therefor, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.170, 344.180, 344.190, 344.300, and 344.310, relating to the state and local human rights commissions, to include prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in the scope of their powers and duties; amend KRS 344.360, 344.370, 344.380, and 344.680, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain housing, real estate, and other financial transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.367, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain

KRS 344.400, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain credit transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 18A.095 to conform; make technical corrections.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB236 (BR499)/AA/HM/LM/SP - A. Moore, E. Hancock, C. Aull, R. Bivens, J. Blanton, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, V. Grossl, M. Imes, J. Watkins, M. Whitaker, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to coverage for epinephrine devices.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to cover epinephrine devices for covered persons; limit a covered person's cost-sharing amount to \$100 annually; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to exempt the epinephrine device coverage requirement from being suspended under state law due to the triggering of federal cost defrayment requirements; amend KRS 205.522, 205.6485,164.2871, and 18A.225 to require Medicaid, KCHIP, self-insured employer group health plans offered by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, and the state employee health plan to comply with the epinephrine device coverage requirement; provide that various sections apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department of Insurance to determine whether the epinephrine devices coverage requirement would be in addition to essential health benefits required under federal law; require the Department of Insurance to obtain federal approval, if necessary; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 1st reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB237 (BR103) - A. Moore, A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to the purchase of single-family homes.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; prohibit persons who own 50 or more single-family rental homes in qualifying counties from purchasing additional single-family homes in qualifying counties except for use by the person as a residence; limit the purchase restriction to single-family homes that have been advertised for sale for less than 90 days or less than 30 days if the purchaser qualifies as a small business; provide that a violation is also a violation of KRS 367.170; provide for joinder of certain parties with joint and several liability in enforcement Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB238 (BR1197) - R. White, J. Calloway, S. Doan, D. Gordon, D. Hale, S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to postsecondary funding.

Amend KRS 164.092 to remove the definition of "equilibrium" and all references to equilibrium; require that university resources shall be allocated without weighting; require the postsecondary working group to meet every odd year; make technical amendments.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB239 (BR223) - R. White, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to high school graduation requirements. Amend KRS 156.160 to require any course meeting the health requirement for high school graduation to include information on the organ donation program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

**HB240 (BR1211)** - T. Truett, S. Lewis, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, J. Decker, C. Fugate, D. Grossberg, S. Heavrin, K. Jackson, B. McCool, S. Stalker, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to primary school. Amend KRS 158.305 to require kindergarten students to be given a universal screener within the final 10 instructional days of the school year; beginning with the 2025-2026 school year require that a student remain in kindergarten for an additional year if he or she did not make adequate progress in kindergarten; prohibit a school from requiring a student who turns seven by August 1 to remain in kindergarten; require the school to reevaluate the reading improvement plan of any student remaining in kindergarten; allow a student provided an additional year in kindergarten to advance through the primary program when it is determined to be in the student's best interest.

#### **HB240 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except require the universal screener be given to kindergarten students within the final 14 instructional days rather than the final 10 instructional days; change the conditions required for retention of a kindergarten student; limit placement authority of a student eligible for special education and related services to the admissions and release committee.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB241 (BR1379) - T. Truett, T. Smith, C. Aull, J. Blanton, B. Chester-Burton, J. Decker, A. Donworth, D. Lewis, N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to school district calendars and declaring an emergency. Allow local school districts to make up days missed by adding instructional time to student attendance days; notwithstand the requirement for the student instructional year to have 170 student attendance days; allow waiver of up to five student attendance days if a school district is unable to provide the required 1,062 hours of instruction by June 4, 2025; require local boards of education seeking to revise its calendar to submit a plan for approval to the Department of Education; allow instructional time made up and days waived to count as employee contracted days; EMERGENCY.

# HB241 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except provide five disaster relief student attendance days; require the commissioner of education to deny school day waiver requests for school districts that did not make up days by adding time to the student instructional day.

SCS1 - Retain original provisions; include an incentive for school districts that do not use any of the five disaster relief student attendance days and the five days waivable by the commissioner of education; provide those school districts with five additional low attendance days. SFA1(L. Tichenor) - Retain original

provisions, except delete subsection (3) in its entirety.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

21, 2025 Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

82-7 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Education (S); taken from Education (S); 1st reading ; returned to Education (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 28, 2025 - passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day

HB242 (BR1356) - S. Heavrin, T. Bojanowski, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to child dependency,

insurance sales, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend actions.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for neglect, and abuse reports. Amend KRS 620.050 to allow identified persons or entities to have access to confidential information related to child dependency, neglect, and abuse reports for the purpose of a bona fide research, quality improvement, or evaluation project; establish criteria.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (S)

HB243 (BR1268) - K. Fleming, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to review of financial incentives.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 7A to establish the Financial Incentive Review Committee; define terms; specify committee membership, authority, powers and duties; establish requirements for meetings; establish requirements for how the General Assembly shall enact new financial incentives; require agencies to assign a unique identification number for purposes of reporting financial incentives; amend KRS 11.068 to require the annual production of a detailed estimate of the revenue loss resulting from each tax expenditure from the general fund and road fund; amend KRS 131.020 to require the Department of Revenue to collect, report, and provide data to the committee; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to provide confidential data to the committee; amend KRS 148.522 to require the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet to collect, report, and provide data to the committee; amend KRS 154.12-210 to require the Cabinet for Economic Development to collect, report, coordinate, and provide data to the committee; amend KRS 246.030 to require the Department of Agriculture to collect, report, coordinate, and provide data to the committee.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB244 (BR1380)/HM/LM/SP - K. Fleming, T. Bojanowski, J. Nemes, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to coverage of feeding or eating disorders. Create new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require health plans to provide coverage for eating or feeding disorder treatment; prohibit health plans from using certain standards, including body mass index, when determining medical necessity or the appropriate level of care for an individual diagnosed with a feeding or eating disorder; amend KRS 304.17C-125, 205.522, 205.6485, 164.2871, and 18A.225 to require limited health services benefit plans, Medicaid, KCHIP, self-insured employer group plans

provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, and the state employee health plan to comply with the prohibition from using certain standards when determining medical necessity and the coverage requirement for eating or feeding disorder treatment; provide that various sections apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department for Medicaid Services or the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking &

Insurance (H)

HB245 (BR872)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Fleming, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to coverage for emergency ground ambulance services.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require coverage for emergency ground ambulance services; establish minimum allowable reimbursement for out-of-network emergency ground ambulance services; establish requirements for reimbursement of out-of-network ground ambulance providers; prohibit balance billing by out-of-network ground ambulance providers; establish construction clause in the event of conflicts; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to exempt emergency ground ambulance coverage and payment requirements from the cost defrayal payment suspension requirement; amend KRS 18A.225 to require the state employee health plan to comply with emergency ground ambulance coverage and payment requirements; provide that Act applies to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB246 (BR1306)/LM - K. Holloway, A. Moore

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky

relating to persons entitled to vote. Propose to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit persons adjudged mentally incompetent by a court from voting; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB247 (BR1235) - K. Holloway, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to sales and use taxes.

Amend KRS 139.200, relating to the

athletic instructional services and recreational camp tuition and fees; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt electricity used for specified agricultural purposes from sales and use taxes; amend various other sections to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB248 (BR474) - S. Baker, J. Decker, J. Hodgson, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to family impact statements.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 6 to require the Legislative Research Commission to prepare a family impact statement for every bill, concurrent resolution, joint resolution, amendment, or committee substitute introduced during a regular or extraordinary session of the Kentucky General Assembly; define terms; establish procedures.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB249 (BR880) - S. Baker, J. Tipton, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to KEES scholarships for students attending noncertified schools.

Amend KRS 164.7874, relating to KEES awards, to define terms; amend KRS 164.7879 to establish the use of a specified equivalent grade point average for eligible graduates of certain private, parochial, or church schools based on the Advanced Placement exam score, dual credit courses grade point average, or a combination of both; amend KRS 164.7881 and 164.7884 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB250 (BR44)/CI/LM - E. Callaway, S. Bratcher, P. Griffee, J. Hodgson, K. Jackson, M. Lockett, S. Riley, S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to property rights. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to allow a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request a law enforcement officer to immediately remove a person unlawfully occupying a residential dwelling or other structure under certain circumstances; provide criminal and civil immunity to law enforcement officers and property owners acting in good faith; create a civil cause of action for wrongful removal; create a new section of KRS Chapter 523 to establish the offense of making a false statement to detain real property.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB251 (BR879) - E. Callaway, J. Tipton, B. Chester-Burton

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Education Professional Standards Board, rather than the Council on Postsecondary Education, to ensure teacher education programs provide highly skilled teachers; require the board to report to the Legislative Research Commission every three years and regularly report program data to an external evaluator.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 06, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Education (S)

HB252 (BR1285) - A. Tackett Laferty, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to autonomous vehicles.

Amend KRS 186.763 to prohibit school districts from operating fully autonomous vehicles for transporting students; prohibit the operation of fully autonomous vehicles if that vehicle requires an operator with a commercial driver's license; amend KRS 281.764 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB253 (BR301)/LM - J. Bauman, D. Fister, C. Aull, R. Bridges, D. Grossberg, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the collection of local business taxes and fees.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 41 to define "occupational license fee" and "system"; require the Office of the State Treasurer to develop and maintain a web-based system for the centralized reporting, collection, and distribution of occupational license fees; establish requirements for the system; allow the State Treasurer to assess a fee on businesses using the system; establish requirements related to the web-based system for the State Treasurer and local taxing jurisdictions; create a working group to be chaired by the State Treasurer; require the working group to provide recommendations on creating a centralized system for modernizing the reporting, collection, and distribution of local business taxes and fees.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB254 (BR1024) - F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, S. Baker, J. Calloway, S. Doan, M. Hart, T. Huff, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to prohibited uses of

imposition of sales and use taxes on various types of property and services, to remove leisure, recreational, and AN ACT relating to the evaluation of educator preparation programs. Amend KRS 158.840 to require the tax dollars.

Amend KRS 65.013 to create a cause of action for violations of the use of tax

dollars to advocate for or against public questions on ballot or to lobby or participate in executive agency lobbying; establish time limitation to commence suit and appropriate venue; provide damages recoverable per violation; allow for a class action; prohibit holding a position of public trust or profit for 10 years for individuals held civilly liable; create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to establish criminal penalty and a prohibition against holding a position of public trust or profit for 10 years for individuals found guilty for a violation.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB255 (BR1376) - A. Neighbors, B. Chester-Burton, M. Clines

AN ACT relating to physical therapy. Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 327, relating to the practice and regulation of physical therapy, to state legislative findings; allow a physical therapist to refer a patient for tests or examination; require a practitioner or employer to report a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant who has been convicted of a misdemeanor; require potential board members to not have been under any disciplinary action in the past five years; permit the Board of Physical Therapy to purchase professional liability insurance; authorize the board to convene committees and task forces to review and advise the board on pertinent issues: authorize the board to promulgate administrative regulations to establish fee amounts, issue advisory opinions and declaratory rulings related to this chapter, and issue a license to a physical therapist assistant applicant; prohibit physical therapists and physical therapist assistants from engaging in sexual contact with any active patient of record or parent or legal guardian of the active patient of record; require the board to develop guidelines to follow upon receipt of an allegation of sexual misconduct by a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant; allow the board to receive periodic education on issues affecting the practice of physical therapy and public protection; allow the board to determine which disciplinary records may be expunged; authorize the board to establish the amounts, limits, or ranges for any fines imposed; repeal and reenact KRS 327.010 to define terms; repeal and reenact KRS 327.080 to deposit to the credit of a revolving fund for the use of the board; require all expenses of the board to be paid from the revolving fund.

# **HB255 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove the definition of "test"; remove permissive language relating to a physical therapist's ability to refer a patient for tests or examination to aid in patient management decisions.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing,

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025 Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

90-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

# HB256 (BR854)/LM - P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to marketable title. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 381 to define terms; establish what constitutes an unbroken chain of title; establish the interests and rights to which a marketable title is subject; include the procedure for preserving an interest in land; delineate protected interests; establish that the provisions are to be liberally construed.

# **HB256 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions; define "mineral" and "mineral interest" or "mineral estate"; establish that the provisions of the Act shall not be applied to bar or extinguish any right, title, estate, or interest in a mineral interest, mineral estate, or mineral, or any mining or other rights pertinent to or exercisable in connection with a mineral interest, mineral estate, or mineral; provide that the Act shall not be applied to bar or extinguish otherwise enforceable plats, covenants, or restrictions applicable to developments, communities, and homeowners' associations.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government

(H) Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 20, 2025 Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (S)

HB257 (BR1069) - D. Grossberg, B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to expungement. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to create an automatic felony expungement process for eligible convictions.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB258 (BR1072)/LM - D. Grossberg, B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to school bus stops. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define "bus stop camera system," "school bus stop," and "qualifying school district"; require the installation of video cameras at each school bus stop in a qualifying school district; require the unit of government responsible for maintaining the road where the bus stop is located to install the cameras and retain the video images: specify the allowable uses of the video images and provide for retention timeframes: require

school districts to notify the Transpiration Cabinet and all local governments that maintain roads in the district of the location of school bus stops.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB259 (BR1047) - D. Grossberg, B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT providing maternity leave for public school employees.

Amend KRS 161.155 to provide 20 maternity days to district employees who give birth; establish the terms and conditions for use of maternity days.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

# HB260 (BR1052) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to affordable housing.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A to create the abandoned home pool fund to be administered by the Kentucky Housing Corporation to purchase and improve vacant and abandoned homes for rental to eligible individuals and families; specify application process and criteria.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

### HB261 (BR1155) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to retired certified public accountants.

Amend KRS 325.290 to allow retired certified public accountant (CPAs) to offer certain uncompensated services to the public; require retired CPAs who wish to offer limited services to complete a continuing professional education waiver based on retirement before practicing; amend KRS 325.330 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

#### HB262 (BR1156) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to certified public accountant firms.

Amend KRS 325.380 to eliminate limitations on the naming rights of small certified public accounting firms upon the death or retirement of an owner.

Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Licensing &

Occupations (S)

HB263 (BR835) - K. Banta, J. Petrie, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, S. Bratcher, J. Bray, B. Chester-Burton, M. Clines, D. Grossberg, K. Moser, T. Smith

AN ACT relating to teacher scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.773, relating to the Student Teacher Stipend Program, to specify that an eligible student is a Kentucky resident as determined by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (authority) and is student teaching at a Kentucky public school or certified nonpublic school; specify that the authority shall disburse stipend funds to eligible students directly or through the participating institution; allow the authority to establish criteria for an eligible student who is student teaching outside of Kentucky but is otherwise eligible.

**HB263 - AMENDMENTS** 

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 164.769 to remove expected family income from the selection criteria for the teacher scholarship; amend KRS 164.7889 to conform. HCA1(J. Tipton) - Make title amendment.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 06, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H) Feb 11, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title) Feb 12, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 13, 2025 Feb 14, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

93-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title) Feb 18, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Education (S)

#### HB264 (BR1401) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to inheritance tax. Amend KRS 140.070 and 140.080 to include a foster child as a Class A beneficiary and to delete language that only applies to deaths occurring prior to July 1, 1995, or between July 1, 1995, and June 30, 1998; apply to estates of decedents who die on or after July 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

#### HB265 (BR1347) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to swimming pools. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198B to allow swimming pools to be constructed without a barrier if the swimming pool is equipped with an approved safety pool cover.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB266 (BR1364) - A. Camuel, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to the Child Care Assistance Program.

Create a new section of Subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to define "indemand industry sector" and "in-demand occupation"; require the Cabinet for Economic Development to create annual lists of in-demand industry sectors and in-demand occupations and transmit the lists to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services for use in determining eligibility criteria for the Child Care Assistance Program; amend KRS 199.894 to define "Child Care and Development Fund" and "Child Care Assistance Program"; make technical corrections; create a new section of KRS 199.892 to 199.896 to exempt applicants whose occupation or industry sector has been designated as in-demand from the income guidelines and copayment requirements for the Child Care Assistance Program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB267 (BR1253) - A. Camuel Feb 20-WITHDRAWN

HB268 (BR104) - A. Camuel, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to social studies curriculum.

Amend KRS 158.196 to require social studies instruction, materials, and academic standards to include the roles and contributions of indigenous peoples, people of color, and people from other marginalized or non-European groups, as well as lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people in the history of the United States and the Commonwealth.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB269 (BR105) - A. Camuel, G. Brown Jr., A. Moore

AN ACT relating to state contracts. Amend KRS 45A.110 to require the bidder or offeror to attest to not receiving two or more civil penalties under KRS Chapter 337, 338, 339, or 341 in order to be eligible to receive the written determination of responsibility.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to public school restroom facilities.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 162 to define "single-user toilet facility"; require the chief state school officer not approve plans for specific new school buildings or alterations to school buildings unless the plans provide sufficient single-user toilet facilities, with a minimum requirement of one; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations regarding the required number of singleuser toilet facilities in school buildings; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require a school where more that 25 percent of the school's restroom facilities are single-user restroom facilities to develop a plan to assist students needing additional privacy due to urgent medical or biological needs to use facilities that provide additional privacy and provide possible aspects of the plan.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB271 (BR1282) - A. Camuel, J. Watkins, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to school district employees and making an appropriation therefor.

Appropriate necessary funds for local school districts to provide a five percent salary increase to eligible employees in fiscal year 2025-2026; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB272 (BR1215) - S. Heavrin, T. Bojanowski, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, S. Lewis, S. Stalker, J. Tipton, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to reading and writing in schools.

Amend KRS 158.307 to define "dysgraphia"; require the Department of Education to annually review and update the dyslexia toolkit; expand dyslexia toolkit required guidance and include dysgraphia and other reading and writing difficulties; require rather than allow local boards of education to develop a policy on dyslexia; require rather than allow the policy to include certain items; require the department to compile and maintain data on dyslexia reported by local school districts; require the department to report dyslexia data to the appropriate Interim Joint Committee on Education; amend KRS 164.304 to require postsecondary institutions offering teacher preparation programs to include instruction on dyslexia by the 2026-2027 school year, rather than the instruction being contingent on availability of funding.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 14, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-0

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Education (S)

HB273 (BR1299) - S. Heavrin Feb 05-WITHDRAWN

# HB274 (BR1298) - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Amend KRS 407.440 to add genderneutral language and make technical change.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

# HB275 (BR1300) - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to child custody. Amend KRS 610.050 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

#### HB276 (BR1208) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to the postsecondary education working group.

Amend KRS 164.092 to change the membership of the postsecondary education working group and require the group to convene every odd-numbered year.

#### **HB276 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except include the presidents of the nine public universities and KCTCS and the Governor on the postsecondary education working group; remove three members appointed by the Governor. HFA1(R. Roarx) - Amend to require that a member of the minority party of each chamber serve on the postsecondary education working group.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB277 (BR1271) - C. Freeland, B. Wesley, S. Baker, J. Blanton, T. Bojanowski, M. Dossett, R. Dotson, R. Duvall, P. Flannery, C. Fugate, D. Hale, M. Hart, T. Huff, S. Sharp, T. Smith, P. Stevenson, N. Tate, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to the mental health of first responders.

Amend KRS 95A.292 to allow rescue squad members to participate in the

39F to direct the Division of Emergency Management and the Kentucky Fire Commission to enter into an agreement to ensure that rescue squad members have access to the program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

#### HB278 (BR1322) - J. Bray, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to poultry. Create a new section of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 to define "end consumer"; allow certain USDA-exempted poultry processors to sell to end consumers on a farm, at a farmers market, or at a roadside stand.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Agriculture (H); 1st reading ; returned to Agriculture (H)

HB279 (BR1335) - M. Lockett Feb 25-WITHDRAWN

HB280 (BR355) - M. Lockett, J. Hodgson, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to information technology systems and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 7A.180 to rename the Investments in Information Technology Improvement and Modernization Projects Oversight Board to the Information Technology Oversight Committee; define "application," "cybersecurity system," and "legacy system"; amend KRS 7A.185 to conform; amend KRS 7A.190 to require state agencies to report on information technology systems or applications not later than July 15, 2025, and not later than April 15, 2027, and biennially thereafter; EMERGENCY.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Small Business &

Information Technology (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Small

Business & Information Technology (H); 1st reading ; returned to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

HB281 (BR1036) - T. Roberts, S. Maddox, J. Calloway, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to sales and use tax exemptions for firearm-related items.

Amend KRS 139.010, relating to sales and use taxes, to define "ammunition," "antique firearm," "body armor," firearm," "firearm muffler or silencer," "firearmrelated accessory," "firearm safety course," "firearm safety device," and "firearm storage device"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt ammunition, antique firearms, body armor, firearms, firearmrelated accessories, firearm safety courses, firearm safety devices, firearm storage devices, noise cancelling ear protection, and admissions or program fees related to certain firearm-related activities; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

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HB270 (BR135) - A. Camuel, B.

Secondary Education (H) Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Alan "Chip" Terry Professional Development and Wellness Program; create a new section of KRS Chapter Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB282 (BR1348) - T. Roberts, V. Grossl, C. Aull, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to a sales and use tax exemption for diapers. Amend KRS 139.010 to define "diaper"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt all diapers from the sales and use tax; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

### HB283 (BR1294) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to health services. Amend KRS 216.313 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB284 (BR1297) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to health and family services.

Amend KRS 205.558 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB285 (BR1296) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to medical assistance. Amend KRS 205.170 to make technical corrections.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB286 (BR1295) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to health services. Amend KRS 216.315 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB287 (BR984)/LM - R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to leave from employment.

Amend KRS 337.415, relating to court-ordered appearances by employees, to define terms; prohibit employers from discharging or retaliating against an employee who is a crime victim when the employee takes leave to attend proceedings associated with a crime; require an employee to give an employer reasonable notice to take leave when practicable; provide guidelines for use of paid leave; require the employer to maintain confidentiality of records and communication with employee crime victim; create a private right of action for improper discharge, discrimination, retaliation, and failing to maintain confidentiality; amend KRS 337.990 to establish penalties for employer violations.

Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB288 (BR980)/LM - R. Roarx, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to interest on medical debt.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 360 to establish a maximum interest rate of three percent on medical debt; amend KRS 360.020 to expand the civil penalty for excessive interest on medical debt; amend KRS 360.040 to establish a maximum interest rate of three percent on judgments rendered in an action to collect medical debt; make technical amendments; amend KRS 216B.250 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

# HB289 (BR983) - R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to wages for employment.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to make it a discriminatory employment action if an employer asks questions about previous salary or wages, relies on previous salary when setting a new salary, or refuses to hire if an applicant does not provide previous salary, except to allow a request for information voluntarily provided in response to an offer of employment; allow previous salary to be considered when required by law, for internal transfers, and for public employee positions; require notice to be posted for employees; amend KRS 337.990 to assess a civil penalty for a violation.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

#### HB290 (BR1354) - N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to county law libraries.

Amend KRS 172.100 and 172.200, relating to county law libraries, to ensure that law library funds can be expended for subscriptions to computer-assisted legal research, internet access, and computers and related equipment.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB291 (BR1355)/CI/LM - N. Wilson, J. Bauman, R. Bridges, J. Decker, S. Dietz, A. Donworth, R. Dotson, K. Holloway, N. Kulkarni, C. Lewis, K. Moser, J. Nemes, D. Osborne, T. Roberts AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 533 to define terms; require the court, upon conviction of the defendant, to consider the defendant's status as a primary caretaker of a dependent child unless the defendant is a violent offender, the victim is a child, or a statute prohibits an alternative sentence; require the court, upon a finding that the defendant is a primary caretaker of a dependent child, to consider an alternative sentence; provide that the defendant shall have the right to present an alternative sentencing plan and a family impact statement to the court; provide that in issuing an alternative sentence, the court may require the defendant to participate in programs and services that support the parent-child relationship; provide that the court may modify or revoke the alternative sentence and commit the defendant to an institution if the defendant fails to adhere to or complete the conditions of an alternative sentence; require the Administrative Office of the Court to report annually, beginning in 2026, to the Kentucky State Corrections Commission and to the Legislative Research Commission on the number, percentage, and demographics of parents and children impacted under this Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Primary Caretaker Consideration Act.

#### HB291 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except change the term "primary caretaker of a dependent child" to "caretaker of a dependent child"; provide that a courts determination of a defendant's status as a caretaker of a dependent child shall not be admissible as evidence or be determinative in any subsequent proceeding; provide that the defendant shall not be eligible for status as a caretaker of a dependent child if currently convicted of an offense that involved the use, attempted use, or threat of physical force upon another person or an offense that wantonly endangered another person, if that person was a family member or member of an unmarried couple, or is or has been in a dating relationship with the defendant; provide for other programs or services to be required of the defendant as a condition of the alternative sentence; remove provisions relating to data collection by the Administrative Office of the Courts; amend KRS 610.340 to provide that a court determining whether to impose an alternative sentence for a defendant who is a caretaker of a dependent child has access to court records under KRS Chapter 600 to 645; provide that the Act may be cited as the Family Preservation and Accountability Act.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB292 (BR1012) - N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to interscholastic athletics.

Amend KRS 156.070 to establish an interscholastic varsity athletics eligibility rule for transfers between member schools.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB293 (BR1011) - N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to state parks. Amend KRS 148.021 to establish a discount at state park lodging resorts and golf courses for Kentucky residents; provide that the Act may be cited as the J.E. Jones Kentucky Fairways Act.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor

Recreation (H)

HB294 (BR472) - S. Baker, J. Decker, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to school curriculum. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "Success Sequence"; require all students to receive instruction on the Success Sequence during grades 7 and 10 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to establish academic standards for instruction on the Success Sequence; require the Department of Education to develop guidelines for implementing Success Sequence instruction; permit superintendents to partner with Kentucky-based nonprofits to develop required curriculum.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB295 (BR1396)/CI - M. Marzian, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to plastic waste. Amend KRS 224.50-585 to define terms; prohibit the intentional release of more than 25 plastic balloons; establish a ban on plastic, single-use carryout bags by July 1, 2030; establish a ban on the provision of single-use plastic straws and Styrofoam food and beverage containers by retail food and beverage establishments by July 1, 2028; establish civil penalty of \$100 per day for violations.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB296 (BR344) - D. Meade , R. Bivens, M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1) alternative jet fuel.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a nonrefundable income

tax credit for alternative jet fuel producers and consumers; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB297 (BR952)/LM - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to school districts. Amend KRS 160.041 to provide a merger process for any contiguous school districts; require the Kentucky Board of Education to determine the terms of merger for an insolvent district if no agreement between the school districts can be reached, and to promulgate administrative regulations regarding mergers due to insolvency.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB298 (BR461) - J. Tipton, K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to schools identified for comprehensive support and improvement in schools.

Amend KRS 160.346 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to annually identify schools for comprehensive support and improvement (CSI); require the audit of a CSI school to include an assessment and recommendation regarding the principal's capacity to lead the turnaround effort; remove the required use of a turnaround vendor by a CSI school; require the department to establish professional learning for teachers in a CSI school; require the superintendent of the district in which the CSI school is located to adopt evidencebased curriculum and select high-quality instructional materials for the school.

#### HB298 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except require the superintendent and principal of a school identified for comprehensive support and improvement to collaborate with the Department of Education to create a turnaround training and support team; require a local board of education to approve the turnaround team.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 26, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB299 (BR1464)/LM - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke

AN ACT relating to emergency shelters.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 67 to require county governments to

of an emergency shelter; require an adequate number of beds in the emergency shelter; require the emergency shelter to conform to applicable federal and state law; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations to provide standards for emergency shelters.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB300 (BR1475) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to preschool and kindergarten education.

Amend KRS 157.3175 to require school districts provide a full-day preschool education program for eligible three and four-year-olds; establish eligibility for the program; require that preschool for three year old children continue to be funded through a grant process and preschool programs for four-year-old children be funded under KRS 157.310 to 157.440; require preschool programs to operate on the school district calendar; require transportation be provided; amend KRS 158.031 to include preschool education programs for four-year-old children in the primary school program; amend KRS 157.320 to remove the definition of "kindergarten full-time equivalent pupil in average daily attendance"; amend KRS 157.360 to remove a reference to the kindergarten full-time equivalent; amend KRS 158.030 to include a preschool education program for four-year-old children in the definition of "common school"; remove language allowing kindergarten to operate for less than six hours on a school day; amend KRS 158.060 and 160.1596 to conform.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB301 (BR323) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to high school graduation requirements. Amend KRS 156.160 to allow participation in physically demanding interscholastic athletics, or similar activities, as determined by a local board of education to satisfy physical education course graduation requirements; make technical corrections.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB302 (BR869) - S. Bratcher, R. Duvall

AN ACT establishing the Adult Workforce Diploma Pilot Program. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 156 to establish the Adult Workforce Diploma Pilot Program; define terms; establish eligibility criteria for the program; direct the Education and Labor Cabinet to administer the program; reporting to the Kentucky Board of Education, the Secretary of State, and the Legislative Research Commission; specify a program end date of July 1, 2028.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB303 (BR221) - S. Bratcher, K. Moser, P. Griffee, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to military healthcare personnel.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to direct the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to develop academic career pathways and integrated academic bridge programs to prepare military healthcare personnel for licensure in various healthcare-related fields.

#### HB303 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; expand participation availability to any college or university that is a part of the postsecondary education system as defined in KRS 164.001 or a private accredited college or university.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 97-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

HB304 (BR1471) - R. Bivens, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, J. Payne

AN ACT relating to soybean assessments.

Amend KRS 247.552 to increase the assessment on soybeans from one-fourth to one-half of one percent of the net market price per bushel.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 27, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

# HB305 (BR1424) - K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to the health care workforce.

Amend KRS 164.0401 to add physician assistant license, dietitian license, and nutitionist certificate to the definition of "eligible healthcare credential"; amend KRS 164.0403 to limit healthcare training scholarship awards to applicants enrolled in a state registered nursing aide training and competency evaluation program; prohibit employment restrictions in healthcare training scholarships awarded to applicants enrolled in a state registered nursing aide training and competency evaluation program.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

HB306 (BR391) - M. Koch, D. Gordon, C. Aull, S. Bratcher, J. Calloway, B. Chester-Burton, R. Dotson, D. Fister, V. Grossl, K. King, D. Lewis, D. Meade, R. Roarx, T. Smith, P. Stevenson, T. Truett, K. Upchurch, R. White, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to the licensing of professional engineers.

Amend KRS 322.040 to allow an individual to qualify for licensure as a professional engineer if he or she has graduated from a fire protection engineering technology program of four years or more accredited by the Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

#### **HB306 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(M. Koch) - Require a fire protection engineering technology graduate to take 45 college semester credit hours on engineering science or engineering design to attain engineer licensure; require six additional years of progressive experience in engineering or teaching; include engineering instructors who teach at designated fire protection engineering technology programs; instruct the board to promulgate administrative regulations to establish requirements for consideration of engineering topics.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to
Committee on Committees (H)
Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing,
Occupations, & Administrative
Regulations (H)
Feb 12, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st
reading, to Calendar
Feb 13, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules
Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (1)
filed
Feb 26, 2025 - posted for passage in
the Regular Orders of the Day for
Thursday, February 27, 2025
Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed
96-1 with Floor Amendment (1)
Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to
Committee on Committees (S)

# HB307 (BR194) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to paternity in domestic violence actions. Amend KRS 403.725 to grant a court authority to make a determination of paternity when issuing orders of

operate at least one emergency shelter for persons experiencing homelessness or to otherwise contract with an operator provide payments to program providers for students who complete specified milestones; require program result protection in domestic violence cases; amend KRS 403.740 to grant a court authority to include a determination of paternity when issuing domestic violence orders.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB308 (BR1122) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to exempting the Commonwealth of Kentucky from the observance of daylight saving time.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to exempt the Commonwealth of Kentucky from the advancement of time known as daylight saving time; require the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its political subdivisions to at all time observe the standard time of the United States; EFFECTIVE October 31, 2025.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB309 (BR1120) - S. Doan, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to hospital price transparency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 216B to define terms; require hospitals to disclose prices for certain items and services provided by hospitals; require hospitals to provide descriptions of different services and standard charges of those services; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations, monitor each facility's compliance, and provide administrative penalties; prohibit collective action of debt for noncompliant facilities.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB310 (BR1412) - D. Fister

AN ACT relating to a Doctor of Philosophy in Integrated Agroecology and Sustainable Agriculture program at Kentucky State University.

Amend KRS 164.295 to permit Kentucky State University to offer a Doctor of Philosophy in Integrated Agroecology and Sustainable Agriculture.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB311 (BR1210) - S. McPherson, C. Aull, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, K. King

AN ACT relating to the promotion of organ and bone marrow donation.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the employers' organ and bone marrow donation tax credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow disclosure of certain information on the credit to the Legislative Research Commission; provide that Section 1 of this Act may be Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB312 (BR1417)/CI/LM - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle

racing. Amend KRS 189.993 to establish enhanced penalties for a violation of KRS 189.505, including vehicle impoundment and increased fines.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB313 (BR1458) - K. King, D. Osborne, D. Meade , S. Miles, J. Nemes, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to dates of recognition.

Amend KRS 2.112 to designate June of each year as "Kentucky History Month" in Kentucky.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H); to State Government (H)

Feb 06, 2025 - taken from State Government (H); 2nd reading ; returned to State Government (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - reported favorably, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Feb 11, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0

Feb 12, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic

Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

HB314 (BR371) - S. Sharp, E. Callaway, J. Hodgson, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to equality in access to financial services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; prohibit financial institutions from discriminating in, or agreeing, conspiring, or coordinating to discriminate in, the provision of financial services by utilizing a social credit score; establish notice requirements when a financial institution refuses to provide, restricts, or terminates financial services; make violation an unfair, false, misleading, or deceptive trade practice in violation of KRS 367.170; establish remedies; authorize enforcement by the Attorney General; require construction in favor of broad protection of conduct, opinions, and beliefs protected by certain laws.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB315 (BR370) - S. Sharp, E. Callaway, S. Doan, P. Flannery, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, K. King, T. Roberts, W. Thomas, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to the acquisition of

nonresident alien, foreign business, foreign agent, trustee, or fiduciary associated with the government of any proscribed country referenced in 22 C.F.R. sec. 126.1 from the purchase, lease, or acquisition of agricultural land in Kentucky or participation in programs administered by the Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Board, and Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation; allow a nonresident alien, foreign business, foreign agent, trustee, or fiduciary to own, purchase, hold, or develop agricultural land for nonagricultural use provided that the development is completed within five years of acquiring the land; require that a copy of the report required under the provisions of the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act be filed with the Department of Agriculture; require the Department of Agriculture to report evidence of noncompliance to the Office of the Attorney General; require the Office of the Attorney General to investigate the evidence; allow the Office of the Attorney General to enforce provisions; require that agricultural land found in violation be escheated to the state and be subject to judicial foreclosure; set requirements for disbursement of proceeds of the sale.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0

HB316 (BR1097)/CI - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, S. Doan, D. Fister, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to the protection of unborn children.

Amend KRS 311.772, relating to the intentional termination of life of an unborn human being, to define terms; establish criminal penalties and fines for a foreign sender who provides an abortifacient or abortion-inducing drug; establish a civil cause of action that is available to a woman who receives an abortifacient; establish available relief; amend KRS 218A.100 to include abortifacients and abortion-inducing drugs as Schedule IV controlled substance.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB317 (BR1367) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the use of tax dollars by the Governor for international travel.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 11 to require the Governor to request permission from the State Treasurer to use tax dollars for international travel; prohibit the use of tax dollars for international travel by the Governor without approval. Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB318 (BR1094) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to open meetings. Amend KRS 61.848 to establish that any formal action of a public agency is voidable by a court if there was not substantial compliance with statutes regarding video teleconferencing of meetings, recording of minutes, and conditions for attendance.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB319 (BR1307)/LM - K. Holloway

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to slavery and involuntary servitude as a punishment for crime.

Propose to amend Section 25 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude in all circumstances, including as punishment for a crime; provide that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person convicted of a felony and sentenced to imprisonment from being employed as described in Section 253 of the Constitution of Kentucky or otherwise provided by law; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB320 (BR868)/CI - M. Clines

AN ACT relating to controlled substances.

Create new section of KRS Chapter 218A to create a criminal offense of trafficking a controlled substance on hospital property as a Class D felony unless a higher penalty applies; amend KRS 218A.1415 to establish possession of a controlled substance on hospital property is a Class D felony unless a higher penalty applies.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB321 (BR1368)/LM - DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning training.

Repeal, reenact and amend KRS 147A.027 as a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to require the initial orientation training that planning commissioners and board of adjustment members take to occur between one year prior to appointment and one year following appointment and include at least one hour of training on the impact of planning and zoning policies and procedures on housing supply and accessibility; require planning professionals, zoning administrators, administrative officials, and each

cited as the Living Organ and Bone Marrow Donor Assistance Act of 2025. agricultural land.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 247 to define terms; prohibit a

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

planning professional's deputies and assistants to take at least one hour of the same initial orientation training relating to housing; require all officials to report that orientation training within 30 days of completion; require planning commissioners, board of adjustment members and planning professionals, zoning administrators, administrative officials, and each planning professional's deputies and assistants to take one hour of continuing education each cycle relating to housing; require all officials to report that continuing education training within 30 days of completion.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB322 (BR487)/FN - J. Branscum, K. King

AN ACT relating to tuition benefits. Amend KRS 164.2841 to include tuition benefits for spouses and children of emergency medical services personnel who have died in the course of their duties on or after July 1, 2000; amend KRS 164.2842 to include tuition benefits for spouses and children of emergency medical services personnel who have been totally and permanently disabled in the course of their duties, specify that the beneficiary is eligible for up to a maximum of 128 credit hours of undergraduate instruction.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB323 (BR1512) - D. Gordon, M. Marzian, A. Moore, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to death benefits. Amend KRS 61.315 to make a technical correction and include additional cancers which, when they are the cause of death of a firefighter, would make the firefighter eligible for death benefits.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB324 (BR13) - K. Banta, M. Clines, T. Bojanowski, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to educators. Amend KRS 160.160 to authorize a local board of education to establish minimum score requirements for certified positions within the district on specific assessments related to content knowledge, competency in educational practices, or both; require the district include minimum score information in any posts or notices for a related certified vacancy; amend KRS 161.030 to remove successful completion of assessments prior to receiving a teacher certification; amend KRS 161.048, 161.010, and 161.053 to conform. Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB325 (BR1495) - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to children. Amend KRS 405.020 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

HB326 (BR234) - L. Willner, B. Chester-Burton, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to utility disconnection protections.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 278 to create winter and summer temperature standards for disconnection of service by retail electric and gas utilities; allow resumption of disconnection only after a 72-hour period during which the temperature standard is exceeded; establish a certificate of need for persons who are at risk if utility service is disconnected that can be provided by a physician, physician assistant, community-based service organization, or faith-based service organization; prohibit disconnection of service on holidays and weekends, including Friday, and before 8 a.m. and after 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday; allow for reconnection of service for partial payment with a payment plan; require waiver of termination fees, reconnection fees, and late fees for customers having obtained a certificate of need; require utility to make reasonable effort towards reestablishing service for a customer terminated after having obtained a certificate of need but no more than 24 hours after repayment is commenced; require separate, written notice 14 days prior to a disconnection to residential household; require that notice be distinguishable from the regular billing notices; establish font size and typeset for material to be printed on the notice; require a hardship reconnection order for persons at risk who have had service terminated by the utility after meeting specific repayment requirements; require the Public Service Commission to promulgate administrative regulations and issue an order setting forth any applicable rules and procedures.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB327 (BR242) - L. Willner, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to utility service disconnection reports by retail electric suppliers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 278 to require retail electric suppliers to file monthly disconnection reports with

reports available to the public on the Public Service Commission's website.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

#### HB328 (BR1269)/CI/LM - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to hunting on state historic battlefield sites.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 150 to define "state historic battlefield site" and to prohibit hunting on state historic battlefield sites unless approved by the Department of Parks and authorized by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission in order to meet specific goals of a wildlife management plan for the area; amend KRS 150.990 to establish penalties.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor

Recreation (H)

HB329 (BR925) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to local firearms control ordinances. Amend KRS 65.870 to allow local

governments to enact ordinances regulating firearms; amend KRS 65.1591 and 237.115 to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB330 (BR1185)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to firearms possession by domestic abusers.

Amend KRS 527.010 to define "domestic abuse offense," "domestic violence protective order," and "physical force"; create new sections of KRS Chapter 527 to create the crimes of possession of a firearm by a convicted domestic abuser and possession of a firearm by the subject of a domestic violence protective order; require the surrender of firearm by individuals subject to protective orders or convicted of specified crimes; amend KRS 403.740 and 456.060 to require courts to inform the subject of a domestic violence order or an interpersonal protective order of the firearm possession prohibition.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB331 (BR1249)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to background checks on the sale or transfer of firearms.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to require background checks for private firearms sales and transfers; amend KRS 237.990 to establish a penalty for violations.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to

HB332 (BR1250) - B. Chester-Burton Feb 13-WITHDRAWN

HB333 (BR1251)/CI - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to offender reentry. Amend KRS 186.417 to require that felony offenders released from county jails and local correctional facilities be issued personal identification cards or operator's licenses under certain conditions.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB334 (BR1183) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to the destruction of confiscated firearms. Amend KRS 16.220 to require the

destruction of confiscated firearms; amend KRS 45.777, 147A.002, 500.090, and 500.093 to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB335 (BR1365)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 29 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to citizen ballot initiatives.

Propose to amend Section 29 of the Constitution of Kentucky to establish the initiative power of the people to propose laws and to enact or reject proposed initiatives at an election; establish procedures for initiatives, effect of adopted initiatives, and parameters for the subject of any initiative; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB336 (BR1370)/AA - E. Hancock, A. Tackett Laferty, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to a cost-of-living increase to the retirement benefits for retired state employees, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Appropriate \$224 million, \$17 million, and \$16 million in fiscal year 2025-2026 to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to fund a one-time two percent cost-of-living adjustment effective July 1, 2025, for Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous and hazardous duty recipients, and for State Police Retirement System recipients, respectively; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB337 (BR1126)/AA - E. Hancock, A.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

the Public Service Commission; identify the contents of the monthly disconnection reports; and make those Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Tackett Laferty, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to a supplemental

payment for retired state employees, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Appropriate \$95 million from the budget reserve trust fund in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Kentucky Public Pension Authority to fund one-time supplemental payments on July 1, 2025, to recipients of a retirement allowance from the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) and the State Police Retirement System (SPRS); specify that the one-time supplemental payment shall be equal to the monthly payment received by the recipient in the month of June 2025; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB338 (BR1372) - E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to state service employee compensation. Amend KRS 141.019 to exclude all wages earned by a state service employee from individual income tax.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB339 (BR379)/LM - N. Tate

AN ACT relating to residential detectors.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 227 to require owner, seller, or lessor to have functional smoke, carbon monoxide, and gas detectors where applicable in all existing residential structures; require seller or lessor to verify in affidavit prior to transfer or tenancy of property; exempt KRS Chapter 324 licensees from liability.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

#### HB340 (BR1337)/LM - T. Hampton

AN ACT relating to background checks.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 17 to define terms and require criminal justice agencies to provide criminal history records information to requesting agencies when they are conducting a basic suitability or fitness assessment for federal or contractor employees under 5 U.S.C. sec. 9101; authorize the agency to request a fee of \$25 for reimbursement of expenses related to the check; amend KRS 610.340, relating to juvenile justice records, to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB341 (BR1151) - K. Holloway, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to elections.

Elections shall include four signature lines; require that candidates provide documentation verifying that the two voters signing the notification and declaration form are from the same party and district or jurisdiction as the candidate seeking nomination; amend KRS 118.165 to direct that the Secretary of State and the county clerk shall not certify any notification and declaration form that does not include proper registration documentation; amend KRS 118.176 to require that a person challenging a candidate's bona fides shall have the burden of showing that a candidate acted maliciously or with intent to defraud the court.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

# HB342 (BR179) - M. Meredith, S. Bratcher, K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to financial literacy. Amend KRS 158.1411 to require one credit in financial literacy during the eleventh or twelfth grade for students entering grade nine during or after the 2026-2027 school year; direct minimum topics to be covered in the course; direct that the financial literacy course be accepted as a math, social studies, or elective course graduation requirement; require the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Kentucky Financial Empowerment Commission, to determine which courses meet the financial literacy course requirement.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

# HB343 (BR1000)/AA/LM - M. Hart, K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to emergency medical services.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 311A to create the EMS Professionals Foundation Program fund; specify the ambulance services and EMS professionals that are eligible to share in the distribution of the fund; provide that the Board of Emergency Medical Services shall administer the fund and may promulgate administrative regulations to facilitate its administration; authorize reimbursement for an EMS professional's out-of-pocket costs for mental health treatment for a diagnosed post-traumatic stress injury or posttraumatic stress disorder; provide for annual supplements to ambulance providers for each EMS professional it employs; amend KRS 42.190 and 136.392 to include the EMS Professionals Foundation Program fund to the premium surcharge; amend KRS 61.315 to include eligibility for in the line of duty death benefits to specified

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

HB344 (BR875)/CI/LM - J. Bauman, T. Roberts, J. Calloway, P. Griffee, C. Lewis, J. Nemes

Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

AN ACT relating to sanctuary policies. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 61 to define terms; prohibit state and local governmental entities from adopting sanctuary policies; require law enforcement agencies to use reasonable resources to support the enforcement of federal immigration law; prohibit policies which would restrict the sharing of information with federal immigration agencies; require compliance with federal requirements when a defendant subject to an immigration detainer has been sentenced in a criminal case; require correctional facilities to provide information regarding the date of discharge to federal immigration agencies and cooperate in the transfer of an inmate to federal custody; require completion of a sentence before an inmate may be transferred to federal custody in cases where the inmate is a violent offender; require a law enforcement agency to provide notice to a judge if a person in their custody is subject to an immigration detainer; require counties to endeavor to enter into agreements with federal immigration agencies regarding the housing of persons in county jails who are subject to immigration detainers; create a rebuttable presumption that a state or local officer who intentionally violates any of the provisions has committed malfeasance and neglect of duty and is subject to impeachment; allow the Attorney General to make findings that a local government has violated the Act; and to withhold road aid funding if the local government willfully violates the Act by refusing to cease a violation; create a private right of action against an official that has adopted a sanctuary policy; waive immunities when a person is injured by a person released as a result of a sanctuary policy; amend KRS 177.360 and 177.366 to require county road aid moneys be suspended upon notice by the Attorney General of willful violations by a local government and reinstated upon notice by the Attorney General of compliance; provide that the Act may be cited as the Lawful Immigration System Act of 2025.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government

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HB345 (BR1404)/LM - P. Flannery, C.
Aull, J. Blanton, E. Callaway, A. Gentry, R. Roarx, S. Sharp, A. Thompson, W.

Williams

AN ACT relating to public contracts. Create new sections of KRS Chapters 45A, 56, and 65 to require that state and local contracts contain a provision that any iron, steel, aluminum, or manufactured goods used in all state and local projects be manufactured in the United States unless a waiver is conform; provide that Sections 1 to 3 of the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Buy American Act.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB346 (BR859) - D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to air quality programs and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 224.20-50 to define "emergency stationary internal combustion engine"; establish a standard for assessment of emissions fees by the Energy and Environment Cabinet and air pollution control districts; EMERGENCY.

#### **HB346 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except retroactively apply emissions fees assessment requirements for emissions fees assessed in the calendar year 2023; require the cabinet to refund any emissions fees paid for calendar year 2023 emissions in contravention of the same; RETROACTIVE. HFA1/FN(R. Bridges) - Establish a cap on actual emissions in excess of six thousand tons for the purpose of emissions fees assessment. HFA2(R. Bridges) - Remove the definition for "emergency stationary internal combusion engine"; remove the emissions fee exemptions for emergency stationary internal combusion engines; remove the retroactivity of emissions fees exemptions.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendments (1) and (2) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading ; floor amendment defeated Floor Amendment (1) ; passed 83-12 with Committee

Substitute (1) Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S)

### HB347 (BR1063)/LM - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to real property purchased at a master commissioner's sale.

Amend KRS 91.514 and create a new section of KRS Chapter 426 to establish that any residential property that is purchased at a master commissioner's sale or other court-ordered sale in a county that has a land bank authority and was occupied at any time within the two years prior to the sale must undergo renovations within six months of obtaining the title to the property and must be returned to a state of occupancy within specified time periods; define terms; establish a fine of \$100 per day payable to the local government for

Amend KRS 118.125 to require that the notification and declaration form prescribed by the State Board of ambulance service providers as defined in Section 1 of this Act.

granted; amend KRS Chapters 45A.343, 45A.352, 65.027, 162.070, 164A.575, 176.070, 176.080, and 424.260 to

noncompliance.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB348 (BR1049) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to reproduction. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to protect access to assisted reproductive technology; create a new section of KRS Chapter 311 to declare that a fertilized human egg or human embryo that exists outside of the uterus of a human body shall not be considered an unborn child, a minor child, a natural person, or any other term that connotes a human being for any purpose under state law.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB349 (BR1062)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to hate crimes. Repeal and reenact KRS 532.031 to define "gender identity or expression"; list the actions that qualify as hate crimes; list the actual or perceived characteristics a person must have in order to qualify as a victim of a hate crime; outline penalties for a person guilty of a hate crime; set forth criteria for seeking an enhanced sentence; amend KRS 15.334 to add characteristics of a victim to be considered when determining the cause of a crime; add requirement that officers receive training on hate crimes; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to permit a civil action where the victim of a hate crime suffers damages regardless of the outcome of any criminal proceeding; establish recovery for the victim; amend KRS 17.1523 to add characteristics of a victim to be considered when determining the cause of a crime; amend KRS 15.440 to require that a unit of government shall possess a written policy and procedures manual related to hate crimes in order to receive funds from the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund; repeal KRS 49.320, relating to victim of hate crime deemed victim of criminally injurious conduct.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

### HB350 (BR1067)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to roofing contractors.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 198B to define terms; establish licensing for roofing contractors under the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction; prohibit any persons not licensed under the department from holding himself or herself out as a roofing contractor; allow the department to issue roofing contractor licenses, promulgate administrative regulations, and implement disciplinary actions; establish applicant requirements and fee limitations; establish a fine and potential misdemeanor incarceration for violations; create the roofing contractors fund; amend KRS 367.620 to conform.

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB351 (BR1284)/CI - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, S. Doan, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to smash and grab burglary.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 511 to create the offense of smash and grab burglary.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB352 (BR1025) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, S. Doan, M. Hart, M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to immigrants. Amend KRS 164.020 to provide that no alien illegally present in the United States shall be classified as having Kentucky residency for the purpose of public postsecondary education institution tuition; require the Council on Postsecondary Education to obtain and collect from each public postsecondary education institution immigration data on the institution's students and report the data to the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms; prohibit public postsecondary education institutions from enacting, adopting, or otherwise enforcing any sanctuary policy; allow civil actions against public postsecondary education institutions for damages, costs, and attorney's fees if alien illegally present in the United States is negligently enrolled and subsequently commits a crime that is a violent offence; withdraw immunities afforded public postsecondary education institutions.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB353 (BR1034) - T. Roberts, M. Hart, K. Banta, R. Bivens, J. Calloway, S. Doan, V. Grossl, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, R. White

AN ACT relating to eminent domain. Create new sections of KRS 99.700 to 99.730 to allow a commission or alternative government entity to obtain an administrative warrant to inspect blighted or abandoned properties; require commissions and alternative government entities to exercise the power of eminent domain in accordance with KRS 99.700 to 99.730; amend KRS 99.705 to define "abandoned property"; redefine "blighted property"; amend KRS 99.720 to require two notices of local code violations prior to certification of a property as blighted or abandoned; amend KRS 99.725 to require local governments to hold public hearings regarding proposed takings of blighted or abandoned property prior to initiating eminent domain proceedings; require proceedings of the public hearings to be recorded and available to the public for review and comment; amend KRS 416.610 to require the petitioner in an eminent domain proceeding to prove

private entities occupying an incidental area within a public project or building: remove exemption for property financed by state road funds or federal highway funds from the requirements of KRS 416.675; amend KRS 65.355, 91.285, 92.305, 99.700, 99.710, 99.715, 99.727, 99.730, and 416.580 to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB354 (BR62) - M. Proctor, J. Calloway, M. Hart, S. Maddox, J. Nemes, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to certificate of need. Amend KRS 216B.040 to require that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services conduct public hearings on certificate of need applications as requested by applicants for, or holders of, certificates of need and licenses; amend KRS 216B.062 to require that notice be given on the right of only applicants to request a hearing; amend KRS 216B.085 to require that only the applicant may request a public hearing within 15 days of a cabinet decision regarding an application; require that notice of the public hearing be given only to the applicant; require that only the applicant have the right to be represented by counsel at the public hearing; require that the cabinet notify only the applicant of the decision and that the decision is final unless a request for reconsideration is filed by only the applicant; amend KRS 216B.090 to permit only the applicant to request a hearing for purposes of reconsideration of the cabinet; amend KRS 216B.095 to delete notice of a cabinet decision regarding a request for a nonsubstantive review to any affected party; amend KRS 216B.115 to permit an appeal to the Franklin Circuit Court by the applicant of any final decision of the cabinet regarding an application to be made.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB355 (BR61) - M. Proctor, J. Calloway, M. Hart, S. Maddox, J. Nemes, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to certificate of need. Amend KRS 216B.020 to add various health facilities and services to the list of health facilities and services that are exempt from certificate of need requirements; amend KRS 216B.065 to exempt various health facilities and services from acquisition of facilities or major medical equipment notification and certificate of need requirements; amend KRS 216.380 to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB356 (BR376) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr., S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to urban youth agriculture education.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

counties in at least one urban University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service office beginning August 1, 2025, and others by August 1, 2026; set each program term to one year in duration beginning in January; establish guidelines for participant eligibility.

#### **HB356 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; change the initiative's name to Kentucky Urban Youth Agriculture Initiative; add updated initiation, implementation, and review dates by the University of Kentucky; add the urban agriculture initiative's promotion of agriculture and agribusiness and age-appropriate, experiential, work-ready programming, or internships; remove educational requirement relating to the agricultural sales tax exemption for graduates; increase the age for program participation to five years minimum; remove the initiative's percentage of authorized land access requirement; add permission in lieu of the requirement for a parent or guardian to assist and guide. HCA1(M. Dossett) - Make title amendment.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

HB357 (BR1246) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr., S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to reproductive health care.

Amend KRS 205.592 to expand Medicaid eligibility to include pregnant women and new mothers up to 12 months postpartum regardless of citizenship or national origin; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to establish a family planning program to provide family planning services and family planning-related services to Medicaideligible individuals, including individuals who would otherwise be eligible for Medicaid except for their citizenship or national origin; require the Department for Medicaid Services to promulgate administrative regulations and collaborate with multiple divisions, agencies, and other parties to facilitate participation in the family planning program; require a waiver to be requested if it is determined a waiver is needed.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB358 (BR1079) - N. Kulkarni, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to the use of algorithmic devices in setting the amount of rent to be charged to a residential tenant.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Licensing,

necessity of the taking; amend KRS 416.675 to redefine "public use"; remove allowance of sale or lease of property to

247 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Urban Farming Youth Initiative to promote farming to youth in urban

Create a new section of KRS Chapte 383 to prohibit the use of algorithmic devices in setting the amount of rent to

be charged to a residential tenant.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB359 (BR377) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to rights and obligations of landlords and tenants to a residential lease.

Repeal and reenact various sections of KRS Chapter 383 to amend the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to conform; amend KRS 383.715 to conform; repeal KRS 383.300, 303.302, 383.500, 383.505, 383.515, 383.525, 383.540, 383.580, 383.620, and 383.665; apply to a lease made on or after the effective date of the Act.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government

(H)

HB360 (BR1455)/AA/LM - C. Lewis, J. Nemes, J. Bauman

AN ACT relating to peace officers. Amend KRS 15.391, relating to revocation of peace officer certification, to establish requirements for the revocation of a peace officer's certification when the peace officer has been accused of professional malfeasance or professional nonfeasance; establish that a peace officer has a right to be present during any proceeding relating to revocation; require proceedings to proceed within 90 days; require the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to find that an employing agency has complied with a peace officers rights under KRS 15.520, 67C.321, 67C.323, 67C.325, and 67C.326, or any applicable collective bargaining agreement; require that any proceeding relating to revocation be complete within 180 days; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a cause of action for a peace officer who is the subject of a knowingly false report; amend KRS 413.155 to establish that an action against a person who filed a false report to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council shall be filed with three years after the cause of action accrued; amend KRS 15.420, relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund, to include in the definition of "police officer" a Kentucky State Fair Board special police officer.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

#### HB361 (BR1244) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to the employer student loan repayment credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the employer student loan repayment credit, equal to 50 percent of the amount paid by an employer on an eligible student loan of a qualified employee effective for taxable

KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

# HB362 (BR1242) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to wage transparency.

Amend KRS 337.010 to define "job posting" and "wage range"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require all employers to include the wages or wage range for the advertised position in any job posting; amend KRS 95A.250 and 337.020 to conform.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

HB363 (BR1257) - N. Kulkarni Feb 18-WITHDRAWN

HB364 (BR1245) - N. Kulkarni, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to the home installation credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 establishing the refundable home installation credit, not to exceed \$7,500 annually, for qualifying home installations to increase the habitability or efficiency of the residence for individuals that are age 65 or older or have a physical or mental impairment; effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030; amend KRS 141.0205 to establish ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow information to be provided to the Legislative Research Commission.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

HB365 (BR1521) - S. Maddox, J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to eggs. Amend KRS 260.550 to exempt producers who sell directly to consumers and do not exceed a sales limit of 240 dozen eggs per week from licensing requirements.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

HB366 (BR915)/CI - S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to orders of protection.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to define specified felony offenses that are a "qualifying offense"; allow lifetime orders of protection for victims of qualifying offenses; allow a court to vacate a lifetime order of protection if the conviction for the qualifying offense is expunged.

Feb 07, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB367 (BR982)/AA/LM - R. Roarx, A. Camuel, A. Gentry, C. Lewis, J. Nemes, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to hazardous duty retirement for code enforcement personnel of a consolidated local government.

Amend KRS 78.5520 to redefine "hazardous position" to include code enforcement and zoning inspection personnel employed by a consolidated local government for the purposes of benefits of the County Employees Retirement System.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB368 (BR1205) - J. Decker, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, C. Freeland, J. Gooch Jr., M. Imes, DJ Johnson, K. King, M. Lehman, M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to publication. Amend KRS 424.145 to remove the population restriction and make the alternative publication procedure available to all local governments as defined; stipulate that the local government must submit the advertisement to the newspaper in a timely manner for publication within the prescribed limits; make technical corrections.

#### **HB368 - AMENDMENTS**

HFA1(M. Meredith) - Amend Section 1 to allow special purpose governmental entities and special district to post a required advertisement on a webiste operated by the local government establishing the special purpose governmental entity or special district; add a new subsection to require a local government using the alternative publication procedures of the section to also submit the contents of the full advertisement to the newspaper for general information purposes and allow the newspaper to publish it at its choosing, but without cost to the local government; add and amend KRS 68.245, 132.023, 132.027, and 160.470 to extend the time period for when a taxing authority has to hold a public hearing when setting a tax rate above the compensating tax rate after the publication notice has been published from a maximum of 10 days to 21 days.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 62-30 with Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

members.

Amend KRS 95.495 to stipulate that the annual leave designated for police officers subject to the section may be accrued over a year's time as established in the personnel policy of the department.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Affairs, & Public Protection (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

HB370 (BR270) - J. Payne, M. Dossett, R. Bivens, K. King

AN ACT relating to the Department of Agriculture and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 246.030 to abolish the Department of Agriculture's Shows and Fairs Division and establish the Farm Safety and Rural Health Division and the Office of Agricultural Economic Development; amend KRS 247.220 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to Agriculture (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 27, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

#### HB371 (BR1191)/LM - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to solid waste management.

Amend KRS 224.40-315 to exclude from the exemption in the definition of municipal solid waste disposal facility any waste site or facility that accepts industrial solid waste generated on or adjacent to property owned by the generator or by another facility owned by the generator or wholly-owned subsidiary; amend KRS 224.43-345 to require a description in the solid waste management plan of capacity expansions for residual waste sites or facilities, including amounts of wastes from areas outside of the solid waste management area.

#### **HB371 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/LM - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 224.40-315 to create an exception to a residual waste generator's ability to accept industrial solid waste if the waste is not generated in the same county where the generator is situated; remove amendments to KRS 224.43-345.

HFA1(R. Raymer) - Amend KRS 224.40-315 to identify the type of industrial solid waste generators that are included for the definition of "municipal solid waste facility" and require that the industrial activities of the generator occur on the same property regardless of whether the waste is from a corporate affiliate or generated at another facility owned by the industrial waste generator. HFA2(R. Raymer) - Amend KRS

years beginning January 1, 2025, but before January 1, 2029; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB369 (BR1540) - M. Hart

AN ACT relating to police department

224.40-315 to identify the type of industrial solid waste generators that are included for the definition of "municipal

solid waste facility" and require that the industrial activities of the generator occur on the same property regardless of whether the waste is from a corporate affiliate or generated at another facility owned by the industrial waste generator.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H) Feb 20, 2025 - reassigned to Local

Government (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute

#### HB372 (BR1524) - J. Branscum

AN ACT relating to the New Markets Development Program tax credit. Amend KRS 141.433 to allow amounts received as repayment on a qualified low-income community investment and reinvested in another qualified low-income community investment during the same calendar year to be considered continuously held; amend KRS 141.434 to increase the cap on total New Markets Development Program tax credits from \$10 million to \$20 million in each fiscal year.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB373 (BR1544) - W. Williams, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.175 to allow the use of campaign funds to pay for the reasonable costs of security measures for a state candidate, officeholder, his or her family, and employees of the candidate's campaign or the officeholder's office; define "security measure" and "usual and normal charge."

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB374 (BR1494)/CI/LM - R. Dotson

AN ACT relating to cultured meat products.

Amend KRS 217.035 to remove meat or a meat product containing cultured animal tissue from the list of foods deemed misbranded; amend KRS 217.175 to prohibit the manufacture, sale, or exchange of meat or a meat product containing cultured animal tissue.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

#### HB375 (BR1492)/CI/LM - B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to risk protection orders.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to define terms; allow enumerated persons to petition a District Court to issue an order prohibiting a person from purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm if the person is or has been diagnosed with or treated for a mental condition that causes or is likely to cause impairment in judgment, perception, or impulse control to an extent that presents an unreasonable risk to public health, safety, or welfare if the person were in possession or control of a firearm; establish that a violation of an order is a Class A misdemeanor; amend KRS 237.104 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as Diego's Law.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB376 (BR1321) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to state financial practices.

Amend KRS 42.500 to authorize the State Investment Commission to make investments in certain digital assets and bullion; define terms; establish requirements for investments; prohibit investments in central bank digital currency; make technical corrections; amend KRS 42.525 to specify administrative regulation authority of commission regarding investment powers and requirements; create a new section of KRS Chapter 42 to authorize state retirement funds and state deferred compensation fund participants to invest in exchange traded products; amend KRS 45.345 to authorize state agencies to accept digital assets and bullion as a method of payment; prohibit acceptance of central bank digital currency as a method of payment; create a new section of KRS Chapter 131 to establish authorized payment methods for any tax bill issued by the Department of Revenue; require the Department of Revenue to accept digital assets and bullion as a method of payment; amend KRS 41.070 to require the State Treasurer to transfer certain digital asset deposits to the budget reserve trust fund; require the State Treasurer to convert receipts of other digital assets to United States currency; prohibit the State Treasurer from accepting central bank digital currency or converting receipts to central bank digital currency; amend KRS 48.705, 16.642, 18A.255, 21.550, 61.650, 78.790, and 161.430 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Inflation Protection Act of 2025.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

#### HB377 (BR1400) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to digital assets. Amend KRS 41.070 and 45.345 and create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to prohibit state and local governments from requiring use or payment of central bank digital currency; establish KRS Chapter 355A and create new sections thereof to define terms, establish property classifications for digital assets, and prohibit KRS Chapter 355A from applying to central bank digital currency; supplement and modify provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, KRS Chapter 355, relating to the classification, perfection, and priority of digital assets; allow debtors located in Kentucky to file a financial statement with the Secretary of State to perfect a security interest in a digital asset; establish when a transferee takes a digital asset free of any security interest perfected by filing; for purposes of Article 9 of KRS Chapter 355, establish when digital assets are located in Kentucky; classify open blockchain tokens with certain characteristics as intangible personal property; require developers and sellers of certain open blockchain tokens to file a notice of intent with the Secretary of State, and pay a filing fee, prior to sale in this state; require the Secretary of State to promulgate forms and make the forms accessible to filers; require facilitators of certain open blockchain tokens in the resale market to comply with certain requirements; establish penalties for violation of the section; provide that the Secretary of State may make referrals to law enforcement agencies; provide that the section may be cited as the Kentucky Utility Token Act; create a new section of Subtitle 2 of KRS Chapter 286 to permit certain Kentucky financial institutions to elect to provide custodial services of customer currency and digital assets in accordance with the provisions of the section; establish internal control and customer contracting requirements for providing custodial services under the section; provide that digital assets held in custody under the section are not depository liabilities or assets of the financial institution; require the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions to establish a supervision fee; create a new section of Article 1 of KRS Chapter 355 to conform; amend KRS 369.103 to include transactions involving digital assets; amend KRS 355.1-102 to prohibit the Uniform Commercial Code from applying to central bank digital currency; provide that the Secretary of State and the commissioner of the Department of the Financial Institutions shall promulgate administrative regulations to implement the Kentucky Utility Token Act and optional custodial services requirements on or before October 1, 2025; EFFECTIVE, in part, October 1, 2025.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

# HB378 (BR88) - A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton

141 to establish the qualified home modification credit against the tax imposed in KRS 141.020; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB379 (BR89) - A. Camuel, L. Burke

AN ACT relating to school district use of autonomous vehicles. Amend KRS 186.763 to prohibit school districts from operating fully autonomous vehicles for transporting students.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB380 (BR95) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to human sexuality instruction in public schools.

Amend KRS 158.1415 to exclude puberty instruction from the prohibition of human sexuality instruction for students in the fifth grade and below; make human sexuality instruction opt-out for parents instead of opt-in.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB381 (BR145) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to special license plates.

Amend KRS 186.162, relating to special motor vehicle license plates, to establish a Child Care Assistance Partnership special license plate, for which a portion of the initial and renewal fee is dedicated to the Child Care Assistance Partnership fund established in KRS 199.885; amend KRS 186.166 to require perpetual production of the plate.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB382 (BR192) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to child sexual abuse instruction.

Amend KRS 158.1415 to exclude ageappropriate child sexual abuse instruction from the prohibition of human sexuality instruction for students in the fifth grade or lower.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

### HB383 (BR217) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to an accessible home income tax credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the accessible housing income tax credit for taxable years

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for qualified home modifications. Create a new section of KRS Chapter beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB384 (BR1334) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to intranasal epinephrine.

Amend KRS 158.832 to include intranasal epinephrine to list of medications used to treat anaphylaxis; amend KRS 158.836 to include intranasal epinephrine as permissible for schools to keep.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB385 (BR1371) - E. Hancock, A. Moore, A. Donworth, D. Grossberg, S. Maddox, J. Watkins, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to state symbols. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to name and designate as the official pets of Kentucky domestic cats and dogs that reside in or have been adopted from Kentucky animal shelters or rescue organizations.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB386 (BR1483) - M. Lehman, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to public notices. Amend KRS 424.260 to make a technical correction and to increase the expenditure threshold for the advertising requirement from \$40,000 to \$60,000; exempt vehicles and installed vehicle equipment from the bidding requirement; allow an alternative publication procedure for the advertisement; amend KRS 424.145 to remove the population restriction and allow any city, special district, school district, or special purpose governmental entity to use the alternative publication procedures.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB387 (BR36) - J. Bauman, J. Hodgson, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, K. Fleming, D. Grossberg, N. Kulkarni, C. Lewis, J. Nemes, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to metropolitan sewer districts.

Amend KRS 76.090 to define "CPI"; require that any time a metropolitan sewer district proposes any change to its rates, rentals, or charges that would in aggregate generate revenue in excess of the percent increase in the CPI over the two most recent calendar years, the legislative body of the city or consolidated local government containing the district must approve of the change before it can go into effect; prohibit the expenditure of metropolitan

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions, except remove the requirement that metropolitan sewer districts seek approval to raise rates from the legislative body of the city or the consolidated local government in which the district was established; define "advertising"; allow for bonus compensation for district employees with specialized technical expertise if approved by the legislative body of the city or consolidated local government in which the district was established; delete the definition of "CPI"; amend KRS 76.030 to require the county judge/executive of an adjoining county to appoint one additional member to the district's board to represent an adjoining county that in any part is served by the district.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

# HB388 (BR1286) - T. Roberts, J. Decker, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to business corporations.

Åmend KRS 271B.8-300 to define terms; provide that the business judgment rule shall not be an affirmative defense where the alleged damages suffered by the corporation are the result of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives or environmental, social, and governance (ESG) investing; provide that a director shall not be considered to be acting in good faith if he or she takes any action to implement or maintain DEI initiatives or ESG investing; provide that actions taken as a director, or failure to take action as a director, regarding the implementation or maintenance of DEI initiatives or ESG investing may provide the basis for monetary damages or injunctive relief; amend KRS 271B.7-400 to require the court to award attorney's fees, costs, and expert witness fees and expenses to a plaintiff who prevails in a derivative action where the damages suffered by the corporation were the result of DEI initiatives or ESG investing; allow the court to award compensatory and punitive damages.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB389 (BR948) - R. Duvall, K. Moser, M. Marzian

AN ACT relating to prescription drugs. Amend KRS 205.529, 218A.172, 218A.205, and 304.17A.165 to remove references to a Schedule III controlled substance containing hydrocodone; amend KRS 218A.010 to add optometrist and physician assistant to the definition of "practitioner" licensed in other states; amend KRS 218A.182 to exempt charitable health care electronic monitoring system be maintained by practitioners or pharmacists prescribing or dispensing Schedule II, III, IV, or V controlled substances; amend KRS 218A.245 to permit the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to enter reciprocal agreements or contracts with any federal agency of the United States or its territories.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

# HB390 (BR300)/LM - M. Meredith, E. Hancock, M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle insurance.

Amend KRS 186A.040 to define terms; require the Department of Vehicle Regulation to establish an accessible online insurance verification system; establish requirements and timelines for making the system accessible and promulgating administrative regulations; establish requirements and guidelines for the department and the system; establish requirements for insurers to cooperate with the department and to submit insurance information relating to personal motor vehicles; provide option for insurers to submit insurance status information for commercial motor vehicles; create a technical advisory committee to make recommendations to department; establish duties and other requirements for the committee; require the department to submit certain drafts to the committee and to publish a final detailed guide; prohibit civil or administrative liability for insurers complying with information submission and access requirements; require the department to make certain notifications and to revoke an owner's motor vehicle registration if proof of insurance is not indicated; establish requirements for submitting proof of insurance to the department; amend confidentiality requirements for information obtained by the department; require the Commonwealth Office of Technology and the Department of Insurance to provide support and assistance to the department; amend KRS 186.040 to apply motor vehicle registration reinstatement fee to revocations by the department for failure to maintain insurance; direct reinstatement fee for failure to maintain insurance into an agency fund for accessible online insurance verification system; amend KRS 186.180 to make technical amendments and conform; provide that a revoked registration for failure to maintain insurance may be reinstated if the owner pays reinstatement fee and submits proof of insurance; amend KRS 304.39-117 to make technical amendments and conform; require insurance cards for commercial motor vehicles to clearly indicate commercial or fleet coverage; amend KRS 304.39-087 to conform; provide for expiration of existing reporting system for personal motor vehicles; amend KRS 186A.042. 186A.100, 186.021, 186.190, 186.990, and 304.39-085 to conform and make

technical amendments; establish requirements for the Department of Insurance and the Department of Vehicle Regulation relating to technical advisory committee appointments and first meeting; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0 Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Insurance (S) HB391 (BR477) - J. Nemes, D.

Feb 28, 2025 - to Banking &

Grossberg, J. Payne

AN ACT relating to honey. Amend KRS 217.187 to increase the yearly yield of pure and unadultered Kentucky honey sold from 150 gallons to 500 gallons before requiring a person to process the honey in a certified honey house or seek a permit from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-1

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Agriculture (S)

HB392 (BR945) - M. Proctor, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to state-operated mental health facilities.

Amend KRS 210.040 to replace the term "institutions" with "facilities"; establish that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is responsible to provide care that includes emergency and other medical care provided outside of a state facility for patients in state-operated mental health facilities.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB393 (BR180)/CI/LM - B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to the acquisition and

sewer district funds for certain purposes.

HB387 - AMENDMENTS

practitioners from electronic prescription requirement; amend KRS 218A.202 to require an active account with the ownership of real property by a foreign principal.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

381, relating to real property, to define terms; prohibit foreign principals from owning real property in the Commonwealth of Kentucky; provide exceptions; require foreign principals to register any ownership interest acquired before the effective date of this Act with the Cabinet for Economic Development; allow persons to report evidence of noncompliance to the Office of the Attorney General; require the Office of the Attorney General to investigate the evidence; allow the Office of the Attorney General to enforce provisions; establish penalties for violations; amend KRS 381.320 to conform.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB394 (BR1308)/LM - M. Hart, R. Dotson, B. Wesley

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 77 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to limiting the Governor's ability to grant pardons.

Propose to amend Section 77 of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit the Governor from pardoning persons that have not been convicted of a crime, unless the person is currently being investigated or prosecuted in connection to a crime; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB395 (BR1402) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to birth certificates. Amend KRS 199.570 to allow the names of adopted parents and deceased biological parents to appear on a new birth certificate issued upon adoption if it is requested by the court, adopted parents, or adopted child; direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to create a birth certificate form that complies with this section through the promulgation of administrative regulations.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Families & Children

(H)

#### HB396 (BR1403) - V. Grossl, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to posthumous name changes.

Amend KRS 401.010 to allow a family member of a deceased person to posthumously change the deceased person's name if the name is the result of marriage to a person arrested for or charged with committing an offense intentionally, knowingly, or wantonly, which resulted in the death of the deceased; provide that the order of priority of family members is the same as in KRS 367.93117.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Banta, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, S. Doan, R. Dotson, D. Fister, C. Fugate, P. Griffee, D. Hale, M. Hart, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, T. Huff, DJ Johnson, K. King, C. Massaroni, B. McCool, M. Proctor, S. Riley, T. Roberts, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, J. Tipton, B. Wesley, R. White

AN ACT relating to human growth and development instruction.

Amend KRS 158.1415 to require a school district to adopt health curricula that includes human growth and development instruction that meets specific criteria; set restrictions for the instruction that grants parents an opportunity to review materials and opt their child out of instruction; provide that the Act may be cited as the Baby Olivia Act.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB398 (BR905) - W. Thomas, J. Calloway, W. Lawrence, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to occupational safety and health.

Amend KRS 338.015 to define "qualified representative"; amend KRS 338.062 to prohibit the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board or the secretary of the Education Labor Cabinet from enforcing any occupational safety and health administrative regulation that has not been promulgated by or that is more stringent than the corresponding federal provision; amend KRS 338.091 to allow the Franklin Circuit Court to award actual expenses against the Department of Workplace Standards; amend KRS 338.111 to allow an employee's representative be present during an inspection; to allow the commissioner's representative to consult with employees if there is no employee representative available; amend KRS 338.121 to allow only current employees or qualified representatives of current employees to request an inspection; require that the alleged violation date be included in the notice and the employee's representative be notified; create time limits for filing a complaint and issuing a citation; amend KRS 338.141 to require that each citation include reference to the provision of the rule or regulation violated; require a citation or notice for any de minimus violation be issued promptly after inspection; prohibit issuance of a citation more than six months after the violation; require the correction time period be tolled until conclusion of the action.

#### **HB398 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except prohibit the secretary's designee, the commissioner, and the commissioner's authorized representative from enforcing any occupational safety and health administrative regulation that has not been promulgated or that is more stringent than the corresponding federal provision; prohibit a notice of a de minimis violation from being filed more

citation from being classified as a repeated violation when issued more than three consecutive years from the final order date of the previous citation; amend KRS 338.991 to prohibit any employer who receives a notice of de minimis violation from being assessed a civil penalty.

HFA1(W. Thomas) - Retain original provisions, except correct a reference to the qualified representative authorized by the employee.

HFA2(J. Blanton) -Retain original provisions, except delete definition of 'qualified representative" from KRS 338.015; make conforming changes to remove "qualified representative" references; make technical changes. HFA3(A. Gentry) - Retain original provisions, except delete the section amending KRS 338.062. HFA4(A. Gentry) - Delete enacting clause

HFA5(A. Gentry) - Delete enacting clause.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendments (2), (3) and (4) filed to Committee Substitute , floor amendment (5) filed to bill

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading ; floor amendment defeated Floor Amendments (2) and (3) ; passed 62-33 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB399 (BR1517)/CI/LM - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to interference with a legislative proceeding.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 519 to define terms; create the crime of interference with a legislative proceeding in the first degree; create the crime of interference with a legislative proceeding in the second degree; amend KRS 431.015 to require a peace officer to make an arrest for a violation of interference with a legislative proceeding in the first or second degree.

#### **HB399 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except provide that an arrest for a violation of interference with a legislative proceeding in the first or second degree shall be made when requested by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, or the chair of a committee of the General Assembly. HFA1(T. Roberts) - Retain original

provisions; provide that interference with a legislative proceeding in the first or second degree shall not be construed to prohibit assembly in traditional public

may arrest a person for a violation of interference with a legislative proceeding; require a peace officer to remove a person who violates interference with a legislative proceeding in the first or second degree from a legislative building when request by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Sergeant-at-Arms of

the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, or the chair of a committee of the General Assembly.

HFA3(T. Roberts) - Retain original provisions, except establish that a violation of interference with a legislative proceeding in the first degree shall be punished as a Class A misdemeanor for the first offense, a Class B misdemeanor for the second offense, and a Class D felony for a third or subsequent offense.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendments (2) and (3) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

HB400 (BR1422)/CI - J. Bauman, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to tampering with a prisoner monitoring device. Amend KRS 519.070 to include tampering with video recording or video

monitoring devices in a correctional facility.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB401 (BR1087)/AA/LM/SP - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to coverage for rapid whole genome sequencing.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 18A to define "rapid whole genome sequencing"; require any health plan offered to public employees provide coverage and reimbursement for rapid whole genome sequencing; establish conditions for coverage.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB402 (BR1535) - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to economic development.

Amend KRS 154.12-223 to establish two positions in the Department for Business and Community Development within the Cabinet for Economic Development to be tasked with industry recruitment and job creation in the Eastern and Western Coal Field areas.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** 

Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)	than six months after the alleged	forums.
	violation; define "de minimis violation";	HFA2(T. Roberts) - Retain original
HB397 (BR1523) - N. Tate, S. Baker, K.	amend KRS 338.141 to prohibit a	provisions; provide that a peace officer

rts) - Retain original

HB403 (BR1522) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to deputy coroner training.

Amend KRS 72.415 to allow the commissioner of the Department of Criminal Justice Training or his or her designee, to grant an extension to a deputy coroner to complete the required training, specify when the extension begins to toll, specify consequences for failure to complete the training within the time period of the extension; delete existing provisions relating to reinstatement and pay modification of deputy coroners who fail to complete the required training.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 28, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

#### HB404 (BR1473) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

#### HB405 (BR1009) - A. Moore, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to voters qualified for excused in-person absentee voting. Amend KRS 117.076 to allow caregivers of voters qualified to cast an excused in-person absentee ballot due to age, disability, or illness to cast an excused in-person absentee ballot.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB406 (BR873) - M. Hart, K. Fleming, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to emergency medical services.

Amend KRS 311A.155 to add training and education to uses of grant funds; change grant fund amounts that may be awarded; delete discretion for a county to hold unspent funds for two years; require all grants to be used during the fiscal year for authorized purposes; amend KRS 311A.055 to delete transfer of complaints regarding ambulance services to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services; repeal KRS 216B.106 relating to ambulance service investigations and hearings.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

**HB407 (BR227)** - J. Calloway, N. Tate, S. Baker, C. Massaroni, R. Roarx, T. Roberts 277 to require that every railroad company destroy or remove obstructive vegetation at intersections with public roads or highways; direct the Transportation Cabinet or local government to remove obstructive vegetation if the railroad company fails to do so and establish procedures for reimbursement by the railroad company for the vegetation removal.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB408 (BR1539) - A. Camuel, E. Hancock, M. Marzian

AN ACT relating to patient-directed care at the end of life.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 311 to define terms; establish a qualified terminally ill patient's right to voluntarily request medication to self-administer to cause death; establish conditions required to make request; permit patient to rescind request at any time; permit an attending physician to provide medication; establish requirements for attending physician to inform patients and document request; require disposal of unused medications; establish residency requirements for qualified patients; require report by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services; establish provisions for contracts, insurance policies, and beneficiaries; prohibit applicability of provisions to ending a patient's life by lethal injection, mercy killing, or active euthanasia; establish that a health care provider is not required to provide medication to a qualified patient; permit health care providers to prohibit persons or entities from participating in a qualified patient's request during or on the premises of employment; prohibit reporting a health care provider to a licensing board for participating in a qualified patient's request; state that actions under this Act do not authorize lethal injection, mercy killing or active euthanasia; establish that actions under this Act do not constitute suicide or homicide; create a form for a qualified patient to make a request; create a form for an interpreter for a qualified patient making a request; create a new section of Subtitle 12 of KRS Chapter 304 to establish provisions for insurance policies and beneficiaries of qualified patients; amend KRS 507.020 and 507.030 to create an affirmative defense to a charge of murder and manslaughter in the first degree; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Death with Dignity Act.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB409 (BR1051)/CI/LM - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to waiting periods for sales of firearms. Create a new section of KRS Chapter

237 to require a waiting period of five business days between the sale and transfer of a firearm; amend KRS 237.990 to establish a penalty for a violation. Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB410 (BR1050)/CI/LM - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to prohibiting the possession and transfer of assault weapons and large capacity ammunition feeding devices.

Amend KRS 527.010 to define "assault weapon" and "large capacity ammunition feeding device"; create new sections of KRS Chapter 527 to criminalize possession and transfer of large capacity ammunition feeding devices; criminalize the possession and transfer of assault weapons; provide exceptions for large capacity ammunition feeding devices and assault weapons lawfully owned prior to the effective date of this Act; amend KRS 237.104 to conform.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB411 (BR1056)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.015, relating to the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance, to define "campaign consultant"; create new sections of KRS Chapter 121 to establish the registration process for campaign consultants; set penalty for failure to register; require employers of campaign consultants to pay a registration fee.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

# HB412 (BR1057) - D. Grossberg

Amendments & Intergovernmental

Affairs (H)

AN ACT relating to campaign finance. Amend KRS 121.015 to define "expenditure"; amend KRS 121.150 to prohibit candidates, slates of candidates, committees, contributing organizations, or anyone on their behalf from making an expenditure to an intermediary, including subcontractors, for the purpose of making a payment to another person; require that expenditures be made directly to the provider of goods or personal services.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB413 (BR870)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Moser, M. Lockett, C. Aull, R. Dotson, V. Grossl, DJ Johnson, M. Lehman, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to prescription drugs. Amend KRS 304.17A-164 to establish cost-sharing requirements for prescription drugs; require rebates to be passed through; establish confidentiality requirements for the rebate information; create a new section of KRS 365.880 to 365.900 to provide that the actual amount of rebates received is a trade secret; provide that compliance with prescription drug cost-sharing and rebate requirements shall not be in violation of the Uniform Trade Secrets Act; amend KRS 304.17C-125, 304.38A-115, 18A.225, and 164.2871 to apply the cost-sharing and rebate requirements for prescription drugs to limited health service benefit plans, limited health service organizations, the state employee health plan, and self-insured employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution; apply provisions to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

#### HB414 (BR1496)/AA/HM/LM/SP - N. Tate, J. Hodgson, T. Roberts, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to perinatal palliative care.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to require all hospitals offering obstetric services and alternative birthing centers to provide or make referrals for perinatal palliative care; create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for perinatal palliative care; amend KRS 164.2871, 205.522, 205.6485, and 18A.225 to require selfinsured employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary institution to its employees, Medicaid, the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program. and the state employee health plan to comply with the new section on perinatal palliative care; make technical corrections; provide that the Act may be cited as the Love Them Both Act of 2025; direct that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued, renewed, effective, or delivered on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department of Insurance to obtain federal approval if necessary; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to obtain federal approval if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB415 (BR1592) - M. Pollock, C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to the application of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to establish application of the subtitle to types of insurance, coverages, and benefits; authorize the insurance commissioner to exempt other types of similar or limited insurance, coverage, or benefits from the subtitle.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

- Feb 14, 2025 to Banking & Insurance (H)
- Feb 19, 2025 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in

the Regular Orders of the Day for

AN ACT relating to railroad crossings. Create a new section of KRS Chapter Feb 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB416 (BR840) - J. Bray, M. Lockett, M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to basic and added reparation benefits.

Amend KRS 304.39-020 to modify requirements for medical expenses submitted pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Reparations Act; amend KRS 304.39-210 to establish requirements for reparations obligors paying medical expenses and persons submitting and collecting on medical expenses.

# HB416 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 304.39-020 to increase allowable reimbursement for funeral, cremation, and burial expenses; modify and add language to construe requirements for medical expense; amend KRS 304.39-130 to increase allowable weekly reimbursement for work loss and other loss; modify requirements for when a person providing a product, service, or accommodation shall submit a statement of the charge for a medical expense.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Banking &

Insurance (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

HB417 (BR1020) - L. Burke, A. Camuel, A. Donworth, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman, A. Moore, R. Roarx, P. Stevenson, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to the Health Access Nurturing Development Services Program.

Amend KRS 211.690 to require the Health Access Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) Program to provide educational information about maternal and postpartum depression; make technical corrections.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB418 (BR1019) - L. Burke, A. Moore,

C. Aull, A. Camuel, A. Donworth, E. Hancock, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman, P. Stevenson, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to reproductive health care.

Create a new section of KRS 311.710 to 311.820 to define terms; establish privacy protections for a woman seeking reproductive health care outside of the Commonwealth; establish protections for any person or entity assisting a woman seeking reproductive health care out of the Commonwealth; establish a civil cause of action for violations; waive sovereign immunity protections of the Commonwealth.

HB419 (BR1018)/CI/LM - L. Burke, A. Donworth, A. Camuel, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman, P. Stevenson, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to reproductive privacy.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 311 to establish reproductive rights and define terms; amend KRS 18A.225 to remove the prohibition of insurance coverage for abortion; amend KRS 39A.180 to allow the Governor to suspend statutes related to abortion during a declared emergency; amend KRS 156.496 to allow a school district to operate a family resource center that provides abortion counseling; amend KRS 205.010 to permit financial aid for an abortion; amend KRS 205.510 to include abortions or induced miscarriages as medical care: amend KRS 205.560 to allow medical aid payments for abortion; amend KRS 211.603 to allow money in the rape crisis trust fund to be used for abortion services or education; amend KRS 212.275 to allow health departments to dispense medication for an abortion; amend KRS 213.101 to remove various reporting requirements; amend various sections to remove penalties associated with performing abortions; amend various sections to conform; repeal, reenact, and amend or repeal and reenact KRS 311.783, 311.7710, 311.820, 311.990, 311.780, 311.810, 311.572, 311.591, 311.686, and 311.852 to conform; repeal KRS 15.241, 213.098, 213.172, 213.174, 213.176, 216B.0435, 216B.200, 216B.202, 216B.204, 216B.206, 216B.208, 216B.210, 304.5-160, 311.710, 311.715, 311.720, 311.723, 311.724, 311.725, 311.727, 311.728, 311.731, 311.732, 311.733, 311.735, 311.750, 311.760, 311.765, 311.770, 311.7701, 311.7702, 311.7703, 311.7704, 311.7705, 311.7706, 311.7707, 311.7708, 311.7709, 311.7711, 311.772, 311.7731, 311.7733, 311.7734, 311.7735, 311.7736, 311.7737, 311.7739, 311.774, 311.7741, 311.7743, 311.781, 311.7811, 311.782, 311.784, 311.7841, 311.785, 311.786, 311.787, 311.790, 311.800, 311.821, 311.822, 311.823, 311.824, 311.825, 311.826, 311.827, 311.830, 311.992, and 315.315; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB420 (BR1228)/LM - L. Burke, L. Willner, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman, A. Moore, R. Roarx, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation for first responders. Amend KRS 342.0011, relating to workers' compensation, to expand the definition of "injury" to include psychological injuries for police officers, firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, front-line staff members, or members of the National Guard; create a new section of KRS Chapter 342 to establish when psychological injuries are valid workers' compensation claims when not a direct result of a physical Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

### HB421 (BR1443)/HM/LM - A. Neighbors, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to colorectal cancer screenings.

Amend KRS 304.17A-257 to require coverage for all colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests specified in the United States Multi-Society Task Force on Colorectal Cancer guidelines for certain covered persons; require coverage for all United States Food and Drug Administrationapproved bowel preparation prescribed in connection with a colorectal cancer examination or test; prohibit prior authorization requirements for colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests; provide an exemption from the cost sharing prohibition for Health Savings Account-qualified High Deductible Health Plans under certain circumstances; provide that the colorectal cancer examination and laboratory test coverage section applies to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; establish construction of certain provisions for purposes of federal law and require state officials to comply; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H) Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 1st reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 2nd reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

# HB422 (BR1010) - D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations.

Amend KRS 13A.010 to define 'signature"; amend KRS 13A.190, 13A.220, 13A.2251, 13A.2255, 13A.240, 13A.250, 13A.255, 13A.280, 13A.312, and 13A.320 to establish administrative regulation filing and notification requirements; amend KRS 13A.270 to direct the Commonwealth Office of Technology to administer a centralized state government website to inform the public about regulation filings; require promulgating agencies to join the registration website; amend KRS 13A.290 and 13A.300 to set out regulation deferral powers and requirements; amend KRS 13A.315 to no longer require the Governor to send regulation withdrawal decisions to the regulations compiler by telephone; amend KRS 13A.335 to make designated regulation deficiency procedures apply to all legislative committees; amend KRS 13A.040 to conform.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

# HB423 (BR278)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K.

Moser, R. Duvall, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg, M. Lockett, S. Stalker, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to prior authorization. Create new sections of KRS 304.17A-600 to 304.17A-633 to define terms; prohibit insurers of health benefit plans from requiring prior authorization for a health care service for which the provider has an exemption; require insurers of health benefit plans to establish a program under which participating providers may qualify for exemptions from prior authorization; establish mandatory and permitted provisions of an insurer's prior authorization exemption program; establish requirements for sending forms and notices; require the commissioner of the Department of Insurance to submit an annual report relating to prior authorization, provide a detailed briefing upon request, and promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 304.17A-605 to conform; amend KRS 304.17A-611 to prohibit conducting a retrospective review that is based solely on a participating provider having a prior authorization exemption; provide that certain utilization review timeframes do not apply to retrospective reviews conducted for the purposes of determining eligibility for a prior authorization exemption; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the commissioner of the Department for Medicaid Services to submit an annual report relating to prior authorization, provide a detailed briefing upon request, and promulgate administrative regulations; apply the provisions to contracts delivered, entered, renewed, extended, or amended on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026, and January 1, 2027.

#### HB423 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/AA/HM/LM/SP - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 205.536 to conform.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to	)
Committee on Committees (H)	
Feb 14, 2025 - to Banking &	
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Insurance (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February

21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate :

Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

# HB424 (BR878) - J. Tipton, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to employment at public postsecondary education institutions.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; toinjury.Committee on Committees (H)Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to

ed in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Licensing,

Amend KRS 164.360, 164.230, and 164.830 to require the boards of each state university and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to approve a performance and productivity evaluation process for presidents and all faculty members by January 1, 2026; require faculty evaluations to be completed at least once every four years; permit removal of certain employees for failure to meet performance and productivity requirements regardless of status; permit a board to delegate appointment and removal of faculty to the college or university president; require that each board of regents of the six state comprehensive universities appoint a university president; specify employment contract duration limits for employees of comprehensive universities and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

#### HB424 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions except remove allowance for six-year employment contracts. HFA1(J. Tipton) - Amend KRS 164.360 to remove the limit on employment contracts.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 21, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 78-17 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB425 (BR244) - L. Willner, G. Brown Jr., L. Burke, A. Camuel, D. Grossberg, N. Kulkarni, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the individual income tax rate.

Amend KRS 141.020 to change the individual income tax rates for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB426 (BR238) - L. Willner, L. Burke, C. Aull, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, N. Kulkarni, R. Roarx, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to youth mental health protection and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 210 to define terms; prohibit mental health professionals from engaging in sexual orientation and gender identity change efforts with a person under 18 years of age, a person who is 18 years or older who is an adult as defined in KRS 209.020, or a ward as defined in orientation and gender identity change efforts; create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to require the Department for Public Health and the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities to develop, produce, and disseminate educational materials regarding sexual orientation and gender identity change efforts; permit the cabinet to contract for the educational materials; provide that the Act may be cited as the Youth Mental Health Protection Act; EMERGENCY.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB427 (BR837) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education.

Amend KRS 164.2951 to require the Council on Postsecondary Education to create statewide transfer pathways between the public postsecondary institutions in the high-demand baccalaureate programs; require the council to define, identify, and publish on its website a list of the high-demand baccalaureate programs and the available transfer pathways; require the council to maintain transfer pathways once created; require postsecondary institutions to accept transfer credit, earned or accepted at the prior institution within pathways as general education or program general education credit before applying credit as elective.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

Feb 18, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 19, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 20, 2025

Feb 20, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0

Feb 21, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 26, 2025 - to Education (S)

HB428 (BR1438) - J. Decker, M. Lockett, J. Nemes, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to highway access. Amend KRS 177.420 to prohibit the Transportation Cabinet or any county or city that maintains a limited access facility from requiring a property owner to pay compensation for any increase in property value attributable to the new access as a condition of allowing a property owner access.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB429 (BR1341) - A. Donworth, L. Burke, A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, E. Hancock, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to legislative ethics. Amend KRS 6.691 to allow Legislative Ethics Commission to increase the potential penalty imposed from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB430 (BR1349) - M. Clines, K. Banta, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg

# AN ACT relating to school bus safety training.

Amend KRS 189.540 to authorize the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to require regular instruction of pupils in school bus safety; allow a school district to obtain an exemption from any school bus safety instruction requirement if the district transports 48 or fewer pupils in the district's gross average daily attendance of transported pupils; require exempted districts to develop and implement a school bus safety instruction policy.

#### HB430 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; remove the requirement that the school district request the exemption from the Kentucky Board of Education; require that the safety instruction be provided prior to the use of district-owned school buses; require that failure to implement a mandatory instruction policy be grounds for the Kentucky Board of Education to revoke the school district's exemption.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

# HB431 (BR1147) - C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to highway pavement markings.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to require the Transportation Cabinet conduct a quality assurance test six months after each highway pavement marking or other highway paint application; require the Transportation Cabinet repair or reapply the highway pavement markings within 30 days of a failed quality assurance test.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB432 (BR1136) - C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to deceased persons. Amend KRS 72.425 to require the state medical examiner to perform an autopsy on a decedent when the death of the person is not a coroner's case if a request is made by written consent by the decedent's spouse, the next of kin, or the person who assumes the responsibility to dispose of the body, as applicable; amend KRS 72.460 to specify who pays for an autopsy.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

construction.

Amend KRS 158.447 to require local school boards to consult with the Center for School Safety when constructing or renovating school buildings.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

HB434 (BR895) - K. Banta, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to public postsecondary education institutions. Amend KRS 164.020 to prohibit the Council on Postsecondary Education from raising tuition for a postsecondary education institution more than 5% a year for Kentucky resident students and 7% a year for non-Kentucky resident students; provide a 4-year tuition freeze for an enrolled Kentucky resident student; require an institution to notify a student before expiration of a tuition freeze; require any increase in tuition or fees to be approved before March 1; amend KRS 164.7874 to require a private postsecondary institution to have a voting student member on its governing board in order to be a participating institution for purposes of KEES eligibility; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Student Tuition Protection and Accountability Act; EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2029.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB435 (BR1649) - T. Bojanowski, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to teachers. Amend KRS 158.060 to require teachers to be compensated for noninstructional planning time within their school day during which they are required to supervise or instruct students.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB436 (BR1564) - S. Miles, R. Bivens, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to commercial driver's licenses.

Amend KRS 281A.170 to allow a holder of a CDL who is under the age of 21 to receive a hazardous materials endorsement to transport hazardous materials in intrastate commerce.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB437 (BR1516) - T. Hampton

AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverage

KRS 387.510; require violations to be subject to board discipline; prohibit public funds from being used for sexual

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB433 (BR328) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to school

control administrators and investigators. Amend KRS 241.090, relating to the police powers of state Alcoholic

Beverage Control administrators and investigators, to provide that a state administrator shall not have the power to make arrests unless he or she is certified in accordance with KRS 15.380 to 15.404; amend KRS 241.110, relating to the appointment of county Alcoholic Beverage Control administrators and investigators, to provide that a county investigator shall not have the power to make arrests unless he or she is certified in accordance with KRS 15.380 to 15.404; amend KRS 241.170, relating to the appointment of city Alcoholic Beverage Control administrators and investigators, to provide that city administrators and investigators shall not have the power to make arrests unless he or she is certified in accordance with KRS 15.380 to 15.404; amend KRS 241.230, relating to the appointment of urban-county Alcoholic Beverage Control administrators and investigators, to provide that urban-county administrators and investigators shall not have the power to make arrests unless he or she is certified in accordance with KRS 15.380 to 15.404.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 87-6

#### HB438 (BR1428) - S. Witten

AN ACT relating to transportation network company services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 281 to establish procedures and requirements for providers of youth transportation network company services to children under the age of 14; allow school districts to contract with providers of youth transportation network company services for pupil transportation, subject to approval by the student's parent or legal guardian; amend KRS 281.010 to define "youth transportation network company services" or "youth TNC services."

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB439 (BR206) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to school nutrition. Amend KRS 158.850 to define terms; ban schools from selling or providing ultra-processed foods during the school day.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB440 (BR1491) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to students. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 159 to allow the enrollment of a child on a part-time basis in a school district; establish conditions for the part-time

enrollment; amend KRS 158.120 to prohibit a district's nonresident pupil policy from discriminating against any pupil on the basis of residential address, abilities, disability, race, ethnicity, sex, or socioeconomic status; require the policy be posted on the district website; prohibit charging tuition to any child; require a board of education to establish policies for a calculation to determine enrollment capacity; establish requirements for a district's nonresident pupil policy; require districts to report to the Kentucky Department of Education numbers related to nonresident pupils and require the department to publish the reports on the department's website, authorize the department to promulgate administrative regulations for nonresident enrollment appeals processes and forms; amend KRS 157.350 and 156.070 to conform.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB441 (BR357)/AA - J. Tipton, B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to reemployment after retirement in the Teachers' Retirement System.

Amend KRS 161.605, relating to the Teachers' Retirement System, to remove language requiring superintendents to make every reasonable effort to hire qualified applicants for teaching and nonteaching positions, increase the percentage of retired members that an employer can employ full-time from three percent to 10 percent, increase the number of retired members that a local school district may employ under the critical shortage provision from one percent of total active members employed by the school district or two members to 10 percent or four members, remove Kentucky Virtual High School the list of schools the Department of Education operates, remove the pension waiver program, and make technical changes; amend KRS 156.106 to remove language requiring superintendents to make every reasonable effort to hire qualified applicants for critical shortage areas; direct that current participants in the pension waiver program may continue to participate.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 97-0

Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

# HB442 (BR1621)/CI - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to aggravating circumstances.

intercourse, sexual intercourse, or sexual contact as an aggravating circumstance; provide that the Act may be cited as Angela's Law.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

# HB443 (BR1571) - J. Blanton, T. Smith

AN ACT relating to the Hal Rogers Parkway.

Amend KRS 177.317 to direct the Transportation Cabinet to include Kentucky Route 80 in the counties of Perry, Knott, and Floyd as part of the Hal Rogers Parkway; establish timeline for updating maps and signage.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

# HB444 (BR1547) - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to commercial driver's licenses.

Amend KRS 281A.185, relating to commercial driver's licenses, to establish a reporting requirement for the court to the licensing agency when a conviction occurs to be recorded on the driver's record and to trigger any disqualifying action.

#### HB444 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 281A.170 to allow a holder of a CDL who is under the age of 21 to receive a hazardous materials endorsement to transport hazardous materials in intrastate commerce.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB445 (BR1646)/AA - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to membership dates in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System.

Amend KRS 61.510 to change the current definition of "membership date" in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System to remove date restrictions regarding educational contracts and allow any member who entered into an educational contract as a conditional employee of the state of Kentucky to have their system membership date for purposes of retirement benefits determination be based upon the earliest date of the contract. Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB446 (BR1614)/CI/LM - K. Holloway

AN ACT relating to assault in the third degree.

Amend KRS 508.025 to expand assault in the third degree to include causing or attempting to cause physical injury to a justice or judge of the Court of Justice.

### HB446 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except expand assault in the third degree to include causing or attempting to cause physical injury to a driver of any form of public transportation acting in the course and scope of the driver's employment. HFA1(K. Holloway) - Retain original provisions; expand assault in the third degree to include causing or attempting to cause physical injury to a Commonwealth's attorney, county attorney, or circuit clerk.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

#### HB447 (BR318) - C. Aull, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to unfair claims settlement practices.

Amend KRS 304.12-230 to establish an unfair claims settlement practice relating to the alteration of an independent adjuster's, staff adjuster's, or public adjuster's report in connection with a homeowner's insurance claim without providing certain documentation to the insured.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

#### HB448 (BR25) - C. Aull

AN ACT relating to teacher professional development. Amend KRS 158.070 to provide that certified school personnel shall be compensated for professional development activities required outside of the days scheduled in the school calendar or regularly scheduled hours in the school work day.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

# HB449 (BR1108) - C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to public health hygienists.

Amend KRS 313.040 to allow dental hygienists associated with in-state colleges or universities to practice as a public health hygienist.

Amend KRS 532.025 to include abuse of a corpse of the victim of kidnapping or murder by engaging in deviate sexual

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

#### HB450 (BR898) - R. Bridges

AN ACT relating to local government. Amend KRS 132.380 to require the examination of candidates for the office of property valuation administrator to be offered by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS); require the Department of Revenue to provide KCTCS with examination questions and other relevant examination information; establish the examination period; require KCTCS to work with the department to promulgate administrative regulations for the examination registration and establishment of fees; require KCTCS to provide the Department of Revenue information from a candidate's examination for purposes of determining if the candidate passed the examination; establish a deadline for the Department of Revenue to issue a certificate of fitness and qualification to candidates who passed the examination; make technical corrections.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB451 (BR1073) - D. Grossberg, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to teachers. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms; establish the prospective educator scholarship; define eligibility for the program; direct the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to administer the program; provide monetary awards for student loan repayment for eligible students who complete qualified teaching service; establish the prospective educator scholarship fund.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

#### HB452 (BR1053) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to landlords and tenants.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to establish a civil cause of action for a tenant against a landlord who receives a citation for a violation of a local housing code and does not remedy the violation within 90 days; provide that if the cost of the repair exceeds 12 months' rent, the landlord may refund rent and obtain possession of the property within 30 days; establish procedure for determining cost of repair; specify recoverable damages; establish procedure for maintaining a forcible detainer action during the pendency of the tenant's civil action; require rent due may be cited as the Make Our Landlords Diligent (M.O.L.D) Act.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB453 (BR1510) - B. Wesley, C. Fugate, D. Hale, K. King, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to the exemption of churches from sales and use taxes.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to exempt religious institutions from sales and use tax; amend KRS 139.200 and 139.495 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB454 (BR1316) - B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to chaplains in schools.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 161 to require school districts and public charter schools to employ a chaplain or accept a chaplain as a volunteer; set eligibility for employed and volunteer chaplains; require that employed and volunteer chaplains submit background checks; amend KRS 160.380 to include a volunteer chaplain as an adult who is required to have a background check; provide that the Act may be cited as the Teachers and School Chaplains Act.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

# HB455 (BR1553) - P. Flannery, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to elections. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to establish the Office of Election Investigations and Security within the Office of the Attorney General; establish powers, duties, and procedures; require an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February

25, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

78-17 Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S) Feb 28, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (S)

# HB456 (BR444)/CI/LM - P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to driving under the influence.

Amend KRS 189A.010 to provide that operating a motor vehicle while the person's operator's license is suspended list of controlled substances; amend KRS 189A.070 to extend the period of license suspension for a person who is issued an ignition interlock license for a first offense from four months to six months; require each person who is issued an ignition interlock license to comply with the consecutive day requirements in KRS 189A.340 within the last 90 or 120 days of the suspension period, and provide that if the person does not comply the period of suspension will continue until the consecutive day requirements are fulfilled; require that any period of license suspension be tolled during any sentence of imprisonment for a violation of KRS 189A.010; amend KRS 189A.340 to require a person whose license is suspended for a violation of KRS 189A.010(1)(a), (b), (e), or (f) to apply for an ignition interlock license; reduce the ignition interlock device installation fee to \$100 and require installation to not exceed three hours.

# HB456 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except provide that an operator's license is suspended until the operator has his or her privilege to operate a motor vehicle or motorcycle reinstated following conviction for a violation of KRS 189A.010 or 189A.090; remove benzoylecgonine from the list of controlled substances; amend KRS 189A.105 to provide that at the time a blood test is requested, the person shall be informed that the fact of a refusal to submit to a blood test will result in suspension of his or her driver's license and if the person is convicted of a violation of KRS 189A.010, his or her license will be suspended; amend KRS 189A.340 to provide that the fee for the installation of an ignition interlock device shall not exceed \$300 on a vehicle that is an electric or hybrid vehicle, or a vehicle that requires an otherwise complex installation.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

HB457 (BR1561) - T. Truett, C. Aull, E. Callaway, C. Freeland, T. Huff, B. McCool, A. Moore, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the display of child labor laws in public schools.

Amend KRS 158.195 to require each public school with students in grades six through 12 to display a printed abstract of certain child labor laws, including limited and prohibited occupations and work hour restrictions for minors; require the information to be posted on the school's website.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB459 (BR1552) - S. Maddox Feb 13-WITHDRAWN

HB460 (BR1450) - A. Donworth, A. Camuel, L. Burke, B. Chester-Burton, A. Moore, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to preschool and kindergarten education. Amend KRS 157.3175 to require school districts provide a full-day preschool education program for eligible three and four-year-olds; establish eligibility for the program; require that preschool for three year old children continue to be funded through a grant process and preschool programs for four-year-old children be funded under KRS 157.310 to 157.440; require preschool programs to operate on the school district calendar; require transportation be provided: amend KRS 158.031 to include preschool education programs for four-year-old children in the primary school program; amend KRS 157.320 to remove the definition of "kindergarten full-time equivalent pupil in average daily attendance"; amend KRS 157.360 to remove a reference to the kindergarten full-time equivalent; amend KRS 158.030 to include a preschool education program for four-year-old children in the definition of "common school"; remove language allowing kindergarten to operate for less than six hours on a school day; amend KRS

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

158.060 and 160.1596 to conform.

#### HB461 (BR1613) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to Medicaid copayments for nonemergent emergency room visits.

Amend KRS 205.6312 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to impose a cost sharing requirement on Medicaid beneficiaries for nonemergent services provided in a hospital emergency department; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary and comply with KRS 205.525.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB462 (BR1003)/CI/LM - S. Dietz, B. Chester-Burton, E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to the correction of marriage documents.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 402 to allow a county clerk to correct a marriage application or marriage license upon receipt of an affidavit executed by both parties to the marriage; provide examples of errors and omissions that a clerk may correct upon receipt of the affidavit; allow persons to obtain a corrected marriage license by court order if they choose; make a person who intentionally submits a material false statement subject to the penalties in

during pendency of civil action to be paid into court; declare a waiver of rights to be unenforceable; provide that the Act for a previous violation of driving under the influence or KRS 189A.090 is an aggravating circumstance; expand the HB458 (BR1437) - A. Thompson Feb 26-WITHDRAWN KRS 523.030; amend KRS 209A.045 to permit any funds collected from amending marriage licenses to be

remitted to the domestic violence shelter fund.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government

(H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

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Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

### HB463 (BR1664) - B. McCool

AN ACT relating to veterans. Amend KRS 40.050 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

#### HB464 (BR1665) - B. McCool

AN ACT relating to public protection. Amend KRS 75.160, relating to fire chiefs, to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB465 (BR1493)/CI/LM - B. Chester-Burton, J. Nemes, K. Banta, G. Brown Jr., M. Dossett, P. Flannery, D. Grossberg, N. Kulkarni, C. Lewis, M. Marzian, M. Pollock, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle racing.

Amend KRS 189.993 to establish enhanced penalties for a violation of KRS 189.505, including increased fines, vehicle impoudment for up to six months for the first offense, and vehicle forfeiture for the second or subsequent offense.

#### **HB465 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/CI/LM - Retain original provisions, except provide that a motor vehicle that is forfeited for a second or subsequent violation of KRS 189.505 may be sold at public auction; amend KRS 500.090 to provide that the proceeds from any public auction of a vehicle that has been forfeited for a second or subsequent violation of KRS 189.505 be transferred to the Crime Victims Compensation Board.

HFA1(T. Roberts) - Retain original provisions; provide the intent of the General Assembly. HFA2(B. Chester-Burton) - Retain original provisions; provide the intent of the General Assembly.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

Feb 28, 2025 - floor amendments (1) and (2) filed to Committee Substitute

HB466 (BR460) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to occupational health and safety.

Amend KRS 338.991 to increase the civil penalties for employers who have violated any provision of KRS Chapter 338, received a citation for a violation of the requirements of KRS Chapter 338, or failed to correct a violation for which a citation has been issued; require the secretary for the Education and Labor Cabinet to annually adjust the maximum civil penalties beginning in 2025 by the percentage increase, if any, in the United State Average Consumer Price Index for all Urban Customers (CPI-U); direct the secretary to begin a three year phase-in for penalty adjustments beginning August 1, 2025.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

# HB467 (BR462)/LM - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation for educators. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 342. relating to workers' compensation,

to define "educator;" set out when psychological injuries are valid workers' compensation claims for educators when no physical injury exists; amend KRS 342.0011 to modify definition of "injury" to include certain psychological injuries experienced by educators.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

#### HB468 (BR147) - P. Griffee

AN ACT relating to the Green Star flag.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to adopt the Green Star flag as the Commonwealth's symbol of continued awareness of military service member and veteran suicide, commitment to recognize and resolve military service member and veteran suicide, and remembrance and honor for the service of those who have died by suicide and their families.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB469 (BR1582) - T. Roberts, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, S. Doan, M. Hart, K. Holloway, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to human gene therapy products and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to establish legislative intent; define terms: establish that a person in the Commonwealth shall not administer, by any route or modality, any human gene

therapy product for any infectious disease indication, regardless of whether the administration is termed an immunization, vaccine, or any other term; exempt human gene therapy products used to treat cancer or genetic disorders; sunset the provisions on July 1, 2035, unless extended by the General Assembly; EMERGENCY.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB470 (BR1359)/LM - S. Stalker, K. Banta

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 1 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the environment.

Propose to amend Section 1 of the Constitution of Kentucky to establish a right of the people to have a healthy environment, including a right to clean air, pure water, and ecologically healthy habitats; declare the Commonwealth's natural resources, among them its air, water, flora, fauna, climate, and public lands, the common property of all people, including generations yet to come; establish that as trustee of the environment and its natural resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all people; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB471 (BR1528) - J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the taxation of income received by a minor.

Amend KRS 141.019 to define "minor"; allow an individual income tax exclusion of all income from all sources received by a minor.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB472 (BR1203) - J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 118.125, relating to primary elections, to remove the requirement that two registered voters from a candidate's party and district or jurisdiction must sign the candidate's notification and declaration; amend KRS 118A.060 to remove the requirement that two registered voters from a judicial candidate's district or circuit must sign the candidate's petition for nomination; amend KRS 118A.100 to remove the requirement that two registered voters from a judicial candidate's district or circuit must sign the candidate's petition for nomination; amend KRS 118.155 to conform.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

HB473 (BR352) - J. Branscum, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to consumer data privacy.

Amend KRS 367.3613 to exempt information collected by a health care provider that maintains protected health information in accordance with HIPAA and information included in a limited data set as described in 45 C.F.R. sec.164.514(e); amend KRS 367.3621 to make a technical change to include a data protection impact assessment of processing of personal data for the purposes of profiling where the profiling presents a foreseeable risk of an unlawful disparate impact on consumers.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Small Business &

Information Technology (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

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21, 2025 Feb 25, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

96-0 Feb 26, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - to Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

#### HB474 (BR1481) - J. Branscum

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for entities participating in the Metropolitan College

Amend KRS 141.381 to include a historically black college and university in the definition of "educational institution"; extend the sunset date of the income tax credit to April 15, 2037.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB475 (BR1641) - J. Branscum

AN ACT relating to workforce investment. Amend KRS 151B.190 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

#### HB476 (BR1640) - J. Branscum

AN ACT relating to economic development. Amend KRS 154.12-205 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

#### HB477 (BR1639) - J. Branscum

AN ACT relating to economic development. Amend KRS 154.50-323 to insert gender-neutral language.

osted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

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Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB478 (BR1648) - E. Callaway, J. Bauman, K. Fleming, J. Hodgson, C. Lewis, J. Nemes, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to emergency response fees.

Amend KRS 65.111 to prohibit collection of an emergency response fee from a landlord if the response was not the result of the landlord's failure to maintain the building; specify authority to collect from the responsible party.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB479 (BR1655) - D. Lewis, A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to dementia training. Amend KRS 194A.545 to require the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) to require a one-hour dementia training and continuing education course using available training at no cost; require dementia training for DCBS supervisory, direct services, and adult protective services staff.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 19, 2025 - reassigned to Families & Children (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

#### HB480 (BR1610) - D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to occupational licensing.

Amend KRS 335.030 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

#### HB481 (BR1423) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to kratom products. Amend KRS 217.2202 to eliminate the prohibition on kratom extracts and kratom products that contain greater than two percent 7-hydroxymitragynine; amend KRS 217.2203 to establish that products that contain greater than two percent 7-hydroxymitragynine shall comply with labeling requirements for kratom products but shall not be labeled or marketed as a kratom product; amend KRS 217.2205 to establish that that products that contain greater than two percent 7-hydroxymitragynine shall be subject to administrative regulations labeled as a kratom product or as containing kratom extracts.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB482 (BR1226) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the calculation of square footage for the purposes of postsecondary funding.

Amend KRS 164.092 to exclude square feet leased for a commercial purpose or otherwise privatized from the square footage calculation contained in the comprehensive funding model for the public postsecondary education.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

# HB483 (BR1030) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the waiver of qualified official immunity.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to waive qualified official immunity as a defense for employees or agents of public postsecondary education institutions that are not law enforcement officers; amend KRS 164.6949 to conform.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB484 (BR1098) - T. Roberts Feb 13-WITHDRAWN

#### HB485 (BR1607) - K. King

AN ACT relating to tourism. Amend KRS 148.056, relating to the Department of Parks, to add genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

#### HB486 (BR1608) - K. King

AN ACT relating to fish and wildlife. Amend KRS 150.023 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

#### HB487 (BR1606) - M. Dossett

AN ACT relating to soil and water conservation. Amend KRS 262.095 to add gender neutral language.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

# HB488 (BR1605) - M. Dossett

AN ACT relating to agriculture. Amend KRS 246.285, relating to the Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

#### HB489 (BR1351) - J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to the defense of employees of a local government.

Amend KRS 65.2005 to establish that a local government is not required to provide a legal defense for an employee and may refuse to pay a settlement or judgment against an employee if the employee refuses to cooperate or has been convicted or pled guilty to a crime arising from an action that led to the claim being filed; establish that a local government may file a claim against the employee to recover the amount paid by the local government, including costs and attorneys' fees, under specified circumstances including lack of cooperation and entry of a guilty plea or conviction for an action that led to the claim against the employee; establish a statute of limitations for the initiation of a claim by the local government.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB490 (BR1328)/LM - P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to local transient room taxes.

Amend KRS 91A.390 to require a quarterly filing of local transient room taxes for a person that facilitates the rental of the accommodations by brokering, coordinating, or in any other way arranging for the rental; create new section of KRS Chapter 91A.345 to 91A.394 to require local governing bodies who assess various local transient room taxes to provide information to the Secretary of State regarding those taxes and require the Secretary of State to develop a standard return, methods for electronic filing and payment, and publish contact information for local taxing districts; amend KRS 91A.392, 153.440, and 153.450 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 1st reading ; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H); reassigned to Local Government (H)

# HB491 (BR1190)/AA - S. Riley, K. Jackson, S. McPherson

AN ACT relating to state government. Amend KRS 45,750 to redefine "equipment" to include electronic equipment that incorporates advanced computing, including smart medical, scientific, and research equipment; increase the threshold required for a lease of real property to qualify as a capital project from \$200,000 annually to \$500,000 annually; increase the threshold required for equipment to qualify as a capital project from \$200,000 to \$500,000; increase the threshold required for a lease of movable equipment to qualify as a capital project from \$200,000 annually to \$500,000 annually; increase the threshold for a new acquisition, upgrade, or replacement of an information technology system to qualify as a capital project from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000; amend KRS 164A.585 to permit employees of an institution or inviduals hired specifically for that project to perform work on capital construction projects costing up to \$500,000; remove the requirement for a specific invoice form if a personal service contract invoice contains the information required by that form; amand KRS 45A.695 to make a technical correction; amend KRS 164.330 to remove the requirement that a public postsecondary board of regents meet within 30 days of each appointment of new members; amend KRS 61.661 to require the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to release account information to the employer or other state or federal agency upon request; amend KRS 61.880 to establish a 60-day timeframe to appeal an agency's denial of a request to inspect a public record; amend KRS 164.952 to remove the limitations on the number of retired police officers a public postsecondary education institution may employ without paying into the retirement system.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB492 (BR1703)/LM - R. Raymer, P. Flannery, R. Bivens, E. Callaway, M. Hart, K. King, M. Lockett, A. Neighbors, S. Rudy, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to prohibited uses of state tax dollars.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 48 to define "illegal alien"; prohibit state tax dollars appropriated by the General Assembly from being used to compensate an illegal alien; direct the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security to assist in the implementation and enforcement of the Act.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB493 (BR1671)/CI - M. Pollock, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to the towing and storage of motor vehicles.

Amend KRS 281.630 to establish a towing and storage facility certificate and require applicants for a towing and storage facility certificate to file a rate sheet with the application and renewal for the certificate; amend KRS 281.631 to set a fee of \$10 for motor carrier plates for tow trucks; amend KRS 281.928 to require an entity requesting a vehicle in a storage facility to be held pending a civil or criminal investigation to notify the owner, lienholder, and insurer of a vehicle with 24 hours of a hold being initiated or released; amend KRS 281.930 to set limits on charges for storage on vehicles held for civil or criminal investigation; amend KRS 281.926 to require towing companies

promulgated by the Department for Public Health, except the department shall not require those products to be Commissioner of Agriculture, to add gender-neutral language.

and storage facilities to have one rate sheet that is applicable to all customers and to establish that statements that misrepresent the scope of damages associated with a property, casualty, or property and casualty insurance claim are fraudulent insurance acts; make technical amendments; amend KRS 281.010 to define "towing and storage facility certificate"; amend KRS 281.990 to set penalties for violations of KRS 281.920 to 281.936.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

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Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 88-6

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

**HB494 (BR1651)** - S. Riley, R. Duvall, K. Jackson, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to support systems for English language learners in common schools.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; establish the English learner enhanced support program under the Department of Education to help bring English learners with little or no formal education to grade-level proficiency within three years; require the department to set standards for program, contract with a provider meeting certain standards and with record of success with qualified English learners, identify eligible districts or schools, offer the program to as many students as funds permit, and report to the Legislative Research Commission regarding progress of program; permit KDE to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the program.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB495 (BR1601)/LM - D. Hale, C. Fugate, K. King, S. Maddox, S. McPherson

AN ACT relating to mental health counseling services and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 344 to define terms; prohibit discrimination against mental health care professionals, mental health care institutions, and ordained ministry for providing protected counseling services; prohibit discrimination against individuals for offering information, training, and referrals for protected counseling services; prohibit discrimination against parents and guardians who consent to their child receiving protected counseling services; prohibit reporting of a mental health care professional or mental health care institution to a hiring or licensing authority solely on the basis that it provides protected counseling services; prohibit a hiring or licensing authority from investigating a mental health care professional or mental health care

person injured by a violation; provide that the Act may be cited as the Mental Health Counseling Protection Act; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

### HB496 (BR188) - M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to operating a motor vehicle.

Amend KRS 189.292 to define "operating a motor vehicle," "stand-alone electronic device," and "use"; prohibit the use of a personal communication device or stand-alone electronic device while operating a motor vehicle; exempt school bus operators who are instead subject to KRS 281A.205; set forth exceptions; amend KRS 189.294 to provide that persons under 18 years of age shall not use a personal communication device or stand-alone electronic device in any manner while driving; amend KRS 189.990 to set forth penalties; create a new section of KRS Chapter 281A to apply these provisions to commercial motor vehicle drivers; amend KRS 189.2327 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Phone-Down Kentucky Act.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB497 (BR1637) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to cosmetology, esthetics, and nail technology.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 317A to allow reciprocal licensing for cosmetologists, estheticians, and nail technicians; include work experience as a basis for licensure; explicitly include military personnel and spouses; repeal KRS 317A.100, relating to reciprocal licensing and continuing education.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB498 (BR1663)/FN - S. Doan, S. Dietz, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to use of artificial intelligence by courts.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 21A to request that the Supreme Court establish a pilot project to permit participating courts to use artificial intelligence for court transcription services; establish guidelines.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB499 (BR1674) - J. Tipton, T. Roberts

doctoral program prohibitions for comprehensive universities and expressly permit comprehensive universities to offer research doctoral programs.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

# HB500 (BR1609) - D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations. Amend KRS 13A.350 to make

technical corrections.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing,

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB501 (BR1362) - M. Whitaker, D. Lewis

AN ACT relating to the practice of pharmacy. Create a new section of KRS Chapter

315 to establish requirements for pharmacists when dispensing prescriptions in the event of a practitioner's death.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

#### HB502 (BR1618) - M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to workers compensation.

Amend KRS 342.020, relating to the process of workers compensation claims, to establish that the 30-day and 45-day deadlines to pay for services and submit statements, respectively, begin after acceptance or determination of compensability of the claim.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

# HB503 (BR1472)/LM - W. Lawrence

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt from state and local property taxes real property maintained as the permanent residence of an owner who is an activeduty member or honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed Forces, the United States Reserve exemption; provide that the exemptions supersede contrary provisions of Sections 170, 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemptions to property assessed on or after January 1, 2027; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

#### HB504 (BR1712)/LM - W. Lawrence

AN ACT relating to temporary structures.

Amend KRS 198B.050 to exempt temporary structures from building code compliance if erected by or for a state or government agency, city, or municipality; require a temporary structure be inspected and brought into compliance or removed after six months.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB505 (BR877) - A. Moore, V. Grossl, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to the Veteran-Owned Small Business and Entrepreneur Loan Program.

Create a new section of Subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to create the Veteran-Owned Small Business and Entrepreneur Loan Program to be administered by the Office of Entrepreneurship; establish requirements and program details; create the Veteran-Owned Small Business and Entrepreneur Loan Program fund from which the office provides loans to qualified veterans of not more than \$50,000.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

#### HB506 (BR498)/HM/LM - A. Moore

AN ACT relating to chronic pain treatments.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to establish that any health benefit plan that provides coverage for hospital, medical, or surgical expenses shall include coverage for chronic pain treatments provided by a licensed professional; amend KRS 205.522 to require Medicaid and Medicaid managed care organizations to include coverage for chronic pain treatments provided by a licensed professional; amend KRS 218A.172 to require that a health care practitioner discuss and refer or prescribe alternative chronic pain treatments before initially prescribing or dispensing a controlled substance; provide that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services

institution solely on the basis that it provides protected counseling services; establish a civil cause of action for a AN ACT relating to comprehensive universities.

Amend KRS 164.295 to remove the

Forces, or the Kentucky National Guard; require the owner to file paperwork with the local assessor to receive the or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary, and comply with KRS 205.525; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB507 (BR1068)/AA - D. Grossberg, V. Grossl, S. Baker, J. Calloway, B. Chester-Burton, S. Doan, R. Dotson, T. Hampton, K. King, C. Lewis, D. Lewis, S. Maddox, A. Moore, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, W. Thomas, J. Tipton, T. Truett, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to service credit for the Teachers' Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 161.500 to allow members of the Teachers' Retirement System to recover up to 10 unpaid days that were missed to observe religious holidays; include the recovered days in count of days worked for service credit; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB508 (BR1236) - J. Decker

AN ACT relating to the Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Program.

Amend KRS 199.884 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to establish new procedures related to the Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Program.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 26, 2025 - reassigned to Families & Children (H)

### HB509 (BR1603) - D. Osborne

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB510 (BR1604) - D. Osborne

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 118.651 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

## HB511 (BR1602) - D. Osborne

AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverages. Amend KRS 244.580 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Licensing,

Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB512 (BR1690) - J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments. Amend KRS 501.080 to make a tehnical correction and insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

### HB513 (BR1704) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to children and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 158.1415 to remove provisions related to parental rights and courses, curriculums, or programs on human sexuality, provide for a process for parents to opt out of their child receiving instruction on the subject of human sexuality; amend KRS 158.191 to remove provisions requiring a school obtain parental consent prior to providing health services or mental health services to students; remove language concerning policies to encourage or facilitate conversations between parents and students; remove language limiting Kentucky Board of Education or Department of Education policies regarding student confidential information and the use of pronouns; require a local school district to use pronouns for students that the student requests; amend KRS 158.189 to remove findings and requirements that a local board of education adopt a policy on privacy and the use of student facilities; require a school to provide an accommodation to a students who asserts to school officials that their gender is different from their biological sex that includes the use of facilities designated for the gender of which the students identify; permit alternate accommodations upon the student's request; repeal KRS 311.372, which prohibits treatments to a minor for purposes of attempting to alter the appearance or perception of the minor's sex; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB514 (BR359)/LM - S. Stalker, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to affordable housing developed on property owned by religious institutions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define terms; allow religious institutions to develop affordable housing with only a ministerial submission to review by a planning unit for compliance with the provisions of the section if the development is on land owned by a religious institution, exclusively contains affordable housing for a period of 10 years, and contains fewer than 25 units; require compliance with design standards of the planning unit with the option to obtain a variance; require continuing compliance with the section; allow for religious institutions to propose an affordable housing development exceeding 25 units but require a public

advisory resources to a religious developer.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB515 (BR1460)/LM - J. Watkins, A. Moore, C. Aull, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to the Office of Safer Communities, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 12 to establish the Office of Safer Communities within the Office of the Governor; amend KRS 12.020 and KRS 12.023 to conform; appropriate \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026 to fund the office; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB516 (BR1462)/LM - J. Watkins, A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to interrogation of children.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 610 to define terms; prohibit a child from being interrogated using deceptive methods; create a new rule of evidence to limit the admissibility of statements made in the interrogation of a child in violation of statute.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB517 (BR1623) - J. Watkins Feb 14-WITHDRAWN

HB518 (BR1762)/FN - S. Maddox, J. Calloway, S. Doan, P. Griffee, D. Hale, M. Hart, T. Huff, C. Lewis, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, R. White

AN ACT relating to the issuance of identity documents.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 186 to require the Transportation Cabinet to expand driver licensing services in each county by setting up a system between the Transportation Cabinet and the circuit clerks for issuance of operator's licenses and personal identification cards; amend KRS 186.531 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

**HB519 (BR1497)** - C. Fugate, R. Dotson, A. Tackett Laferty, T. Truett, B. Wesley, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to the retirement of fossil fuel-fired electric generating units. Amend KRS 278.264 to prohibit the Public Service Commission from authorizing any decommissioning surcharge or recovery of any retirement or stranded asset costs through rates for a utility that has received approval from the commission to retire a fossil fuelfired electric generating unit in which the utility has any undepreciated investment. Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

HB520 (BR1551)/LM - C. Fugate, J. Blanton, T. Hampton, J. Nemes, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to law enforcement records.

Amend KRS 61.878, relating to open records, to provide that law enforcement records shall be exempt from public inspection if the disclosure of the information could pose an articulable risk of harm to the law enforcement agency or its investigation by revealing the identity of informants or witnesses not otherwise known.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

#### HB521 (BR1714) - M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to financial institutions. Amend KRS 286.3-380 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB522 (BR1713) - M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to insurance. Amend KRS 304.5-150 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB523 (BR1373)/CI - R. White, J. Calloway, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to unborn children. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 507, relating to criminal homicide, to allow a prosecution where the victim is an unborn child; provide exceptions for spontaneous miscarriages and lawful medical procedures; amend KRS 507.010 to define terms; create new sections of KRS Chapter 508, relating to assault, to define terms; allow a prosecution where the victim is an unborn child; provide exceptions for spontaneous miscarriages and lawful medical procedures; amend KRS 501.090 to allow the defense of duress in a prosecution of intentional homicide where the victim is an unborn child and the defendant is the child's mother; create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to give the Attorney General concurrent

meeting and approval by the planning commission; allow the Kentucky Housing Corporation to provide technical and jurisdiction with Commonwealth's and county attorneys; repeal KRS 507A.010, 507A.020, 507A.030, 507A.040, 507A.050, and 507A.060, relating to fetal homicide; amend KRS 311.732, 402.205, and 439.265 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Prenatal Equal Protection Act.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB524 (BR1278) - A. Thompson, M. Meredith, D. Hale

#### AN ACT relating to the

Commonwealth's property and casualty insurance fund and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 56.065, 56.070, 56.095, 56.100, 56.110, 56.120, 56.140, 56.150, 56.160, and 56.180 to rename the state fire and tornado insurance fund to the Commonwealth's property and casualty insurance fund and make technical corrections; to extend the reinsurance requirements for the Commonwealth's property and casualty insurance fund; amend KRS 42.0651 and 164A.577 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Banking & Insurance (H); 1st reading ; returned to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB525 (BR1436) - A. Thompson

AN ACT relating to

telecommunicators. Amend KRS 15.530 to define terms; amend KRS 15.552 to remove hiring date restriction and allow a fully-trained part-time telecommunicator credit toward the full-time training academy if conditions are met; amend KRS 15.560 to require all part-time telecommunicators to complete telecommunicator overview training within 12 months of the hire date; EFFECTIVE, in part, July 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

### HB526 (BR1737) - K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB527 (BR1669) - S. Witten, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to rabies vaccinations.

Amend KRS 258.005 to define "veterinarian" and "veterinary technician"; amend KRS 258.015 to authorize a Kentucky-licensed veterinary technician to vaccinate a dog, cat, or ferret against rabies; require that a Kentucky-licensed veterinary technician authorized to vaccinate a dog, cat, or Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Agriculture (H); 1st reading ; returned to Agriculture (H)

## HB528 (BR1773) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to reading and language arts instruction.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; require the Kentucky Department of Education to establish an approved list of reading curriculum that does not use a threecueing system; prohibit school districts from using any curriculum that employs a three-cueing system; prohibit the use of a three-cueing system in teacher professional development; require the **Educational Professional Standards** Board to promulgate administrative regulations establishing curriculum for each approved educator preparation program; amend KRS 164.306 to specify that educator preparation programs shall use evidence-based reading instruction and intervention programs and shall not provide instruction on a three-cueing system; amend KRS 161.028 to require the board to include in the standards set for teacher preparation programs that the programs shall use evidence-based reading instruction and intervention programs and shall not provide instruction on a three-cueing system.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB529 (BR1620) - V. Grossl, T. Hampton, R. Dotson, D. Gordon, B. McCool, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship Program. Amend KRS 164.787 to define "adjusted gross income" and limit eligibility for the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship Program to a workforce student with an adjusted gross income of less than 250% of the median household income in Kentucky.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB530 (BR1638) - V. Grossl, T. Truett, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to full-day kindergarten. Amend KRS 158.060 to remove language that allows for half-day kindergarten programs; amend KRS 157.320 and 157.360 to remove references to kindergarten full-time equivalent pupils in average daily attendance for program base funding purposes; amend KRS 158.030 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H) AN ACT relating to chemical dependency treatment. Amend KRS 216B.020 to exempt chemical dependency treatment facilities, chemical dependency services, and bed capacity of a chemical dependency treatment facility from obtaining a certificate of need; require applicable licensure.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

reb 21, 2023 - to health Services (i

## HB532 (BR1265) - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to the governance of the Kentucky School for the Deaf.

Amend KRS 167.017 to set timelines for appointment of a search committee for the superintendent of the Kentucky School for the Deaf and appointment of the superintendent; require prioritization of candidates that will be locally available and commit to full-time duties as superintendent; preclude Department of Education employees or Board of Education members from being appointed as superintendent within one year of employment or membership.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB533 (BR1718)/CI - C. Freeland, S. Sharp, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to gift cards. Amend KRS 434.560 to define terms; create a new section of KRS 434.550 to 434.730 to establish the offense of tampering with a gift card; amend KRS 434.580 and 434.650 to prohibit theft, receipt and fraudulent use of a gift card.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Small Business & Information Technology (H); 1st reading ; returned to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

HB534 (BR919) - S. Witten, S. Dietz, N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to actions for forcible entry and detainer.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to provide automatic expungement of records upon dismissal of actions for forcible entry and detainer; amend KRS 383.250 to provide for sealing of records.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB535 (BR1243) - N. Kulkarni, J. Blanton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles. Amend KRS 186.032 to define "communication disorder"; allow the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to identify other communication disorders; establish that information may be included in the Kentucky vehicle registration system database indicating that a regular passenger of the vehicle may be deaf or hard of hearing or have a communication disorder.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB536 (BR1260) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to workplace safety. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 338 to require employers to develop emergency action plans for the workplace; establish minimum requirements for the plans.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB537 (BR1232) - C. Fugate, R. Duvall, F. Rabourn, S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to the opioid abatement trust fund. Amend KRS 15.293 to include in the opioid abatement trust fund money received by order of a court in connection with any settlement, judgment, or bankruptcy against any entity engaged in the manufacturing or distribution of opioids; remove expired citation references to specific defendants; authorize the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations prescribing the mechanism for distribution of funds received under specified circumstances; amend KRS 15.291 to conform.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 1st reading ; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 2nd reading ; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB538 (BR1345)/LM - C. Lewis

AN ACT relating to consolidated local governments.

Amend KRS 67C.111 to decrease the size requirement to establish a new city in a county containing a consolidated local government from 6,000 persons to 3,000 persons; amend KRS 65.003, relating to local ethics, to specify the composition of the commission in a consolidated local government; amend KRS 67C.103 to place controls on council district formation and redistricting and to require regulations issued by local health boards and local solid waste management boards operating under KRS Chapter 109 or 212 that apply to individuals residing or businesses operating within the jurisdiction of the consolidated local government to be approved by the consolidated local government council or otherwise expire after 30 days; create a new section of KRS Chapter 67C to require an office of internal audit to be created and be headed by a chief audit executive who is

ferret against rabies be under the direct supervision of a veterinarian that is located on the premises of the facility.

HB531 (BR1644) - V. Grossl, T. Roberts

elected; outline the transition of presently serving ethics commission members; outline transition from the current chief audit executive to the elected position; EFFECTIVE, in part, November 1, 2027.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB539 (BR1358)/AA/HM/SP - S. Stalker, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to coverage for substance use disorder.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require certain health plans to provide coverage for comprehensive supervised substance use disorder treatment; amend KRS 304.17C-125, 18A.225, and 164.2871 to require limited health services benefit plans, the state employee health plan, and self-insured employer group plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution to comply with the coverage requirement; provide that Section 1 of the Act may be cited as Braxton's Law; provide that various sections apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB540 (BR1590)/AA/HM/LM/SP - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to coverage for COVID-19 testing.

Create new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for polymerase chain reaction testing used to detect the COVID-19 virus; amend KRS 164.2871, 18A.225, 205.522, and 205.6485 to require self-insured employer group plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, the state employee health plan, Medicaid, and KCHIP to comply with the coverage requirement for polymerase chain reaction testing used to detect the COVID-19 virus; provide that various sections apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department for Medicaid Services or the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB541 (BR1758) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to public charter schools.

Amend KRS 18A.225, 78.510, 156.095, 157.063 158.038, 158.189, 158.196, 158.305, 158.4416, 158.4433, 158.8402, 158.843, 160.152, 160.153, 161.164, 161.220, and 218B.045 to remove references to public charter 160.1596, 160.1597, 160.1598, 160.1599, and 161.141 relating to public charter schools.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB542 (BR1178) - J. Petrie

AN ACT relating to branch budget recommendations. Amend KRS 48.165, relating to branch budget recommendations, to specify application on a fiscal year basis.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB543 (BR1179) - J. Petrie

AN ACT relating to branch budget bills.

Amend KRS 48.160, relating to branch budget bills, to specify fiscal biennium.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB544 (BR1180) - J. Petrie

AN ACT relating to branch budget bills.

Amend KRS 48.210, relating to branch budget bills, to require the Transportation Cabinet to provide assistance to the General Assembly during the budgeting process.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB545 (BR1511) - T. Truett, J. Petrie

AN ACT relating to authorizing the payment of certain claims against the state which have been duly audited and approved according to law and have not been paid because of the lapsing or insufficiency of former appropriations against which the claims were chargeable or the lack of an appropriate procurement document in place, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Appropriate funds for the payment of claims against the Commonwealth; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

HB545 - AMENDMENTS HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions and include additional appropriations for the payment of claims against the Commonwealth; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-1 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## HB546 (BR1189) - J. Petrie

AN ACT relating to roads and streets maintained by local governments.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 176 to define terms relating to Local Assistance Road Program funding; require the Transportation Cabinet to establish procedures whereby cities and counties can submit projects for consideration in the Local Assistance Road Program; limit projects to those that are rehabilitative in nature and do not expand capacity or the design of the original road; limit state funding for any individual project to \$500,000; require the cabinet to assign a score to each project evaluating the project's impact on safety, congestion, asset management, and cost; set deadlines for local government submission of projects and cabinet submission of projects with evaluative scores; establish a graduated local funding match requirement based on the county population ranking developed by the Cabinet for Economic Development under KRS 154.21-015; require the cabinet to report quarterly to the Legislative Research Commission on the activity relating to projects awarded grants; specify required elements of the report.

## **HB546 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except require each highway district to assign a score to each project evaluating the project's impact on safety, congestion, asset management, cost, and priority level within the highway district; require the cabinet to report quarterly to the Legislative Research Commission on the activity relating to projects awarded grants; establish required elements of the report to include the actual final cost of completing the project.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1) Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

Posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 85-11 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S)

## HB547 (BR319) - C. Aull

AN ACT relating to opioid antagonists. Amend KRS 217.186 to require each public postsecondary educational institution to provide access to opioid antagonists on campus; permit access to be provided by emergency opioid antagonist cabinets; permit application for funds from the opioid abatement trust fund and other available sources to coordinate, maintain, and supply the opioid antagonists; amend KRS 15.291 the list of projects that may be provided with funding from the opioid abatement trust fund.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB548 (BR1064) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to trade practices. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 365 to define "prohibited advertisement" and "solicit"; prohibit a person from soliciting residential property owners with a prohibited advertisement, offering value in exchange for inspecting residential property owner's roof, offering value in exchange for making an insurance claim for damage to the residential property owner's roof, and providing an agreement authorizing repairs to a residential property owner's roof pursuant to a property insurance claim without providing a good-faith estimate of itemized and detailed cost of services

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB549 (BR1123) - S. Dietz

AN ACT relating to the dissolution of marriage.

Amend KRS 403.044 to establish that the 60-day waiting period for the presentation of testimony in a divorce proceeding involving minor children shall not apply where the parties have completed the collaborative law process or family mediation that has resulted in a final agreement that is filed with the court.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

## HB550 (BR1694) - R. Bridges

AN ACT relating to membership of the Geographic Information Advisory Council.

Amend KRS 42.740 to reduce the number of candidates submitted by the Kentucky League of Cities and Kentucky Association of Counties for consideration of the Governor to be appointed to the Geographic Information Advisory Council from six persons to three persons.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB551 (BR1798) - J. Bauman, E. Callaway, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the posting of veterans' benefits and services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs to create and distribute a veterans' benefits and services document to employers and

schools; repeal KRS 160.1590, 160.1591, 160.15911, 160.1592, 160.1593, 160.1594, 160.1595, posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 to add providing access to opioid antagonists on the campuses of public postsecondary educational institutions to require employers to keep copies of a veterans' benefits and services document in a conspicuous and

accessible place.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

## HB552 (BR47) - K. King, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to tourist and convention commissions.

Amend KRS Chapter 91A.360 to allow the appropriate chief executive officer or officers of a local tourist and convention center to appoint to the commission persons representing local restaurants, hotels, or motels residing within the city or county of the commission if no formal local city or county restaurant association, hotel and motel association, or chamber of commerce is in existence; make technical corrections.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## HB553 (BR1515) - L. Willner

AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for doula services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Department for Medicaid Services and any managed care organization with whom the department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services to provide coverage for doula services; create a new section of KRS Chapter 194A to establish the Doula Advisory Council, council membership, and council duties; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary and comply with KRS 205.525.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB554 (BR1576) - S. Doan, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to education funding integrity.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to define "foreign source"; preclude common schools from receiving funds from the Chinese government, Chinese Communist Party, or agents thereof; require reporting of foreign source funding in common schools; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define "foreign source"; preclude public postsecondary education institutions schools from receiving funds from the Chinese government, Chinese Communist Party, or agents thereof; require reporting of foreign source funding in public postsecondary

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

### HB555 (BR1772) - C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to municipal financial practices

Amend KRS 91A.040 to change the population thresholds for exceptions to annual municipal audits to a single exception for municipalities with less than 3,000 people; change the revenue exception from \$150,000 to \$500,000; allow the Department for Local Government to consider any evidence in assessing whether to allow an extension from the deadline for annual audits; permit the department to grant extensions up to 18 months; amend KRS 91A.040, 65.003, and 65.920 to indicate that the withholding of state funds from a municipality due to noncompliance with the statutes should not be construed to cause the withholding of nondiscretionary payments to a city for the provision of services by the city to the state or any agency of the state; amend KRS 154.40-060 to allow a city government that appoints members to the board of the corporation that runs the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center to elect to have the corporation included in its audit and to have its required annual audit be performed by an independent auditor; require any independent audit be forwarded to the Auditor of Public Accounts; amend KRS 42.460 and 424.220 to conform.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House: to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday,

February 27, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

HB556 (BR1805) - T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Child Mental Health Services Access Program.

Create a new section of KRS 210.370 to 210.485 to create the Kentucky Child Mental Health Services Access Program; establish duties and responsibilities; amend KRS 210.400 to establish that the community board for mental health or individuals with an intellectual disability shall implement, staff, and operate the Kentucky Child Mental Health Services Access Program.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB557 (BR853) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to elementary literacy and making an appropriation therefor. Create a new section of KRS Chapter

five; require books to be sent to children's homes; require the Department for Libraries and Archives to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to administer the program; appropriate \$500,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026 to support the program; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB558 (BR848) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships. Amend KRS 164.7881 to extend the expiration of KEES eligibility from five to eight years from high school graduation; amend KRS 164.7884 to conform.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

HB559 (BR847) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for renters.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable qualified rent payment credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030, in the amount of 25 percent of the qualified rent payments made during the taxable year, not to exceed \$1,000; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow reporting by the Department of Revenue.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB560 (BR843) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to military-connected educational benefits.

Amend KRS 164.507 to remove degree-seeking requirement for nonremarried spouse and children of a deceased veteran when utilizing educational benefits; require students to use federal grant funds toward tuition prior to the use of the waiver; amend KRS 164.515 to expand educational benefit to include service members with a disability rating of 50% or higher; remove degree-seeking requirement; require students to use federal grant funds toward tuition prior to the use of the waiver.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

HB561 (BR844) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

AN ACT relating to Women Veterans Appreciation Day and declaring an emergency.

the Commonwealth; EMERGENCY.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB562 (BR845)/LM - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to cemeteries. Amend KRS 381.697 to require the governing authority of a city to mandate the proper care of a burial ground.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB563 (BR846) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to veterans. Amend KRS 40.050 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB564 (BR1459)/LM - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to wages. Amend KRS 337.010 to increase the applicable threshold of employees of retail stores and service industries from \$95,000 to \$500,000 average annual gross volume of sales for the employer; amend KRS 337.275 to incrementally raise minimum wage of hourly and tipped employees and require adherence to any future federal increase in excess of the new state wage rates; include anti-preemption language permitting local governments to establish minimum wage ordinances in excess of the state minimum wage.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

HB565 (BR850) - P. Stevenson, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to state benefits for veterans.

Amend KRS 12.245, 12.354, 14A.1-070, 16.040, 40.010, 40.310, 40.650, 42.0146, 148.0211, 158.105, 158.140, 161.048, 164.512, 164.515, 186.041, 186.163, and 186.416 to make certain LGBTQ and qualifying veterans, as defined, eligible for state veterans' benefits.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB566 (BR387) - M. Koch, D. Osborne, S. Bratcher, B. Chester-Burton, P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation

education institutions

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to

171 to establish the Kids Love to Read Program; specify the program is for children in kindergarten through grade

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate June 12 of each year as Women Veterans Appreciation Day in

and declaring an emergency Amend various sections of KRS Chapters 230 and 238, relating to the

Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation, to define "Kentucky quarter horse purse fund," "proof of wagers," "unclaimed pari-mutuel winning ticket," and "unredeemed pari-mutuel voucher"; confirm the corporation's jurisdiction over racing and gaming entities; require an annual audit of the corporation by a qualified auditing entity and reduce audits by the Auditor of Public Accounts to once every four years; grant the corporation flexibility in promulgating administrative regulations; authorize the corporation to participate in state agency master agreements; prohibit banning or reducing charitable games or charitable gaming activities approved as of July 1, 2025; create staggered initial terms for members of the corporation's board of directors; add two board members, one representing charitable gaming and the other representing the quarter horse industry; appoint all three charitable gaming board members immediately; make those associated with the corporation subject to KRS Chapter 11A, but state that KRS Chapter 230 will control if there is a conflict; permit the board to remove the corporation president; establish qualifications of the corporation's chief financial officer; require the Office of Charitable Gaming to make formal recommendations to the president on charitable gaming matters; combine racing and charitable gaming security and investigators into one group; allow investigators to acquire criminal justice training certification under KRS Chapter 15; establish to corporation's authority over all aspects of charitable gaming, including its employees, agency structure, licensing, and administrative regulations; create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to direct state financial officers to transfer existing moneys and future receipts to designated accounts; create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to allow the corporation to control the disbursement of unredeemed pari-mutuel voucher funds held by tracks; create new sections of KRS Chapter 230 to set up guarter horse development and purse funds; amend KRS 230.400, 230.445, 230.446, 230.770, 230.800, 230.802, and 230.804 to modify all equine development, breeder incentive, and purse funds into corporation accounts, with at least 90% of each fund going directly to the fund's primary purpose; allow the corporation to use up to 10% from each fund for its administration and operation; remove quarter horses from all paint horse, Appaloosa, and Arabian funds; amend KRS 230.811 to pay sports wagering license fees directly to the corporation; amend KRS 230.817 to allow the corporation to use up to 10% from the sports wagering administration fund for its administration and operation; require quarterly and annual reports on the status of the sports wagering administration fund; distribute sports wagering funds as they are received; create a new section of KRS Chapter 238 to maintain existing excess charitable gaming licenses; revoke excess licenses after the licensee's commission of listed offenses; amend KRS 238.535 to exempt public or private elementary and secondary schools from charitable gaming licensure; maintain

ability to adjust the charitable gaming fee: amend KRS 18A.115 to exempt all corporation employees from the classified service; amend KRS 238.550 to allow charitable organizations to make bank deposits up to five days after a charitable event; make technical corrections; amend KRS 68.182, 91.202, 92.282, 138.510, 230.374, 230.3771, 238.536, and 238.540 to conform; repeal KRS 230.270, 238.520, and 238.522; direct the corporation to evaluate and propose its licensing structure to the Interim Joint Committee on Licensing and Occupations by October 1, 2025; make sections relating to the corporation board and funds effective immediately and all other sections effective July 1, 2025; EMERGENCY.

## **HB566 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except modify the process to use and distribute funds from unredeemed parimutuel vouchers; remove the charitable gaming licensing exemption for public and private elementary and secondary schools; allow a local school district to become licensed to conduct charitable gaming; authorize any common schools or organizations affiliated with those schools within a local school district to conduct charitable gaming under the local school district's license; make technical changes to conform.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 18, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 20, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 73-18 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 25, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing & Occupations (S)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing & Occupations (S); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing & Occupations (S)

### HB567 (BR1817) - J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to Medicaid eligibility. Amend KRS 205.592 to extend Medicaid eligibility for new parents from 12 months to 24 months postpartum.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB568 (BR1486) - J. Watkins, S. Stalker, E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education students.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms, require postsecondary education institutions to designate at least one employee in an appropriate department to serve as a liaison between the institution and a homeless student or student in care who is enrolled at the institution; detail a position to carry out the responsibilities of a liaison if the number of students experiencing homelessness or students in care exceeds two percent of the student body.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

## HB569 (BR1302)/LM - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation.

Amend KRS 342.610 to remove the presumption that the use of an illegal substance prior to an accident caused the injury; provide that the use of an illegal substance shall be the proximate cause of the injury.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB570 (BR1301) - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation.

Amend KRS 342.610 to exclude certain levels of delta-9tetrahydrocannabinol in the blood from the presumption that an injury was caused by the introduction of certain substances into the employee's body.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

#### HB571 (BR1303) - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to medicinal cannabis.

Amend KRS 218B.010 to add additional qualifying medical conditions for the use of medicinal cannabis; amend KRS 218B.025 to exempt medicinal cannabis resulting from athome cultivation activities from possession limits and from the requirement that medicinal cannabis be kept in the original container received from a dispensary; amend KRS 218B.030 to conform; amend KRS 218B.035 to permit the use or consumption of medicinal cannabis by smoking while located on private property owned by the cardholder; amend KRS 218B.080 to conform; amend KRS 218B.140 to remove the requirement that raw plant packaged or sold in the state be marked or labeled as "not intended for consumption by smoking"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 218B to permit registered qualified patients who are at least 18 years of age and designated caregivers to possess, cultivate, and harvest up to three mature medicinal cannabis plants and three seedlings on private property owned by the cardholder.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

AN ACT relating to psychotropic drugs.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; require Medicaidenrolled providers prescribing psychotropic drugs to children to provide an FDA Medication Guide to parents or legal guardians; require medical care providers prescribing psychotropic drugs to children covered by Medicaid to obtain signed informed consent from a parent of guardian; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to develop and maintain an adverse drug reaction online reporting system; require the cabinet to compile and submit an annual report of the adverse drug reaction online reporting system to the legislature; require the cabinet to submit an annual report summarizing the implementation efforts and compliance statistics of Medicaid-enrolled providers; establish penalties; require the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB573 (BR1794) - M. Dossett

AN ACT relating to allowing the Freedom Flag to be flown as a Flag of Remembrance each September 11, which is known as Patriot Day.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to allow the Freedom Flag to be flown as a Flag of Remembrance each September 11.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB574 (BR1085)/FN - M. Dossett, S. Lewis

AN ACT relating to dependency, neglect, and abuse.

Amend KRS 620.030 to require any person with reasonable knowledge of the matter to notify the local law enforcement agency or the Department of Kentucky State Police, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or its designated representative, the Commonwealth's attorney, or the county attorney that a child has been born to a parent who has another child in the care, custody, or control of the cabinet or other person as a result of removal pursuant to KRS Chapter 620; amend KRS 620.040 to require the local law enforcement agency or the Department of Kentucky State Police, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or its designated representative, the Commonwealth's attorney, or the county attorney to be notified a child has been born to a parent who has another child in the care, custody, or control of the cabinet or other person as a result of removal pursuant to KRS Chapter 620; establish a rebuttable presumption that a child born to a parent who has another child in the care, custody, or control of the cabinet or other person as a result of removal pursuant to this chapter is in immediate danger of dependency, neglect, or abuse; amend KRS 620.050

to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to investigate when it receives notice that a child has been born to a parent who has another child in

reporting, records retention, and net receipt requirements; amend KRS 238.570 to remove the corporation's responsibilities of the liaison, the Council on Postsecondary Education, and the institution; require an institution to create HB572 (BR1619) - J. Calloway, M. Proctor the care, custody, or control of the cabinet or other person as a result of removal pursuant to KRS Chapter 620; amend KRS 620.060 to establish that ex parte emergency custody order may be issued when a parent or other person exercising custodial control or supervision has another child in the care, custody, or control of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or other person as a result a removal pursuant to this chapter, creating a rebuttable presumption that the child is in immediate danger of dependency, neglect, or abuse; amend KRS 620.080 to establish a rebuttable presumption that the child would be dependent, neglected, or abused if returned to or left in the custody of his or her parent or other person exercising custodial control or supervision if the parent or other person exercising custodial control or supervision has another child in the care, custody, or control of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or other person as a result a removal pursuant to this chapter; provide that the Act may be cited as Baby Miya's Law.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB575 (BR1791) - N. Kulkarni, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to a deduction for union dues.

Amend KRS 141.019, relating to income tax, to define terms; allow a deduction from gross income for union dues and professional membership dues paid for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, but before January 1, 2030; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the exclusion; make technical changes.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

## HB576 (BR1104)/LM - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to accessory dwelling units.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define "accessory dwelling unit"; allow accessory dwelling unit as a permitted use in all residential zones; prohibit a planning unit from adopting regulations which would not allow a property owner to have one accessory dwelling unit on the owner's property, impose requirements on accessory dwelling units different than those placed on single-family homes, or assess additional fees on accessory dwelling units; allow a planning unit to enforce regulations that require notification of the construction of a new accessory dwelling unit, prohibit more than one accessory dwelling unit on a property, assess a one-time fee of \$250 at the time the

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB577 (BR1107)/LM - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning.

Create a new section KRS Chapter 100 to define terms; allow multi-unit dwellings and mixed-use developments as permitted uses in commercial zones; prohibit a planning unit from adopting or enforcing regulations that do not allow multi-unit dwellings and mixed-use developments in commercial zones, impose requirements on multi-unit dwellings or mixed-use developments more restrictive than other uses in a zone, or require certain parking restrictions on multi-unit dwellings or mixed-use developments.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Local Government

(H)

## HB578 (BR1105)/LM - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to duplexes. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define "duplex"; allow duplexes as a permitted use in all residential zones; prohibit a planning unit from adopting or enforcing regulations that would exclude duplexes in residential zones or impose requirements or fees on duplexes different than those for single-family homes.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB579 (BR1101) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Building Code.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198B to permit less than six stories of Residential Group R-2 occupancy to be served by a single exit.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB580 (BR1518) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to alcohol and drug counselors.

Amend KRS 309.0836 to require temporary alcohol and drug peer support specialist licensees to become registered alcohol and drug peer support specialists after a maximum period of nine months from the date of issuance; amend KRS 222.233 to delete the requirement that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services promulgate an administrative regulation relating to reimbursement for temporary alcohol and drug peer specialists and require limitation on group size.

## HB580 - AMENDMENTS

peer support specialist applicant and the applicant's board-approved supervisor; permit a registered peer support specialist to provide services to groups of the same size as other licensed alcohol and drug treatment clinical professionals. HCA1(K. Moser) - Make title amendment.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-1 with Committee Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB581 (BR1821)/CI/LM - L. Burke, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Gentry, E. Hancock, M. Lehman, A. Moore, R. Roarx, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson, J. Watkins, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to firearms.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 237 to define "safe storage depository" and require an owner or custodian of a firearm to store the firearm in a safe storage depository or render the firearm incapable of being fired using a gunlocking device; require an owner or other person lawfully in possession of a firearm or any person who sells ammunition to report the loss or theft of the firearm or ammunition to a law enforcement agency; amend KRS 237.990 to establish penalties for violations.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB582 (BR1439) - E. Callaway, J. Bauman, K. Fleming, J. Hodgson, C. Lewis, J. Nemes, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to economic relief for local communities of Kentucky.

Amend KRS 154.14-020, relating to the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation Program of 2024, to include a nonprofit corporation created by a governmental agency as created under KRS 58.180 in the definition of "eligible grant recipient"; amend KRS 154.14-030 to specify that match applicants may apply for match funds for a period of two years after receiving a notice of award of a federal grant, and that the Cabinet for Economic Development shall administer any grants awarded prior to the program sunset date until all awarded funds have been fully disbursed to grant recipients; amend KRS 154.14-060 to conform.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment Burke, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Gentry, E. Hancock, M. Lehman, A. Moore, R. Roarx, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson, A. Tackett Laferty, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to housing and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A to create the affordable housing loan pool fund to be administered by the Kentucky Housing Corporation to provide rehabilitation and construction loans to eligible entities; specify terms and process; create a new section of KRS Chapter 194A to create the homelessness prevention fund to be administered by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services for continuum of care funds; specify eligible uses and eligible entities; amend KRS 198A.080 to modify criteria for housing development loan fund, require notice of eligible funds, and allow expenditure of funds for technical and administrative costs: create new section of KRS Chapter 198A to establish parameters by which the Kentucky Housing Corporation shall review and approve the affordable housing credit; create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the affordable housing credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credits; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 141.437 to reinstate the ENERGY STAR home credit to allow, in addition to prior credits, credit for the construction of an ENERGY STAR multifamily building; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 141.435 to define terms; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 141.436 to establish updated requirements for an energy efficiency credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to conform; amend KRS 131.190 to conform; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt the sale or purchase of new modular homes and new manufactured homes from sales and use tax on and after July 1, 2025 and before July 1, 2036 if they are to be used as a single-family residence and permanently affixed to real estate; amend KRS 142.400 to impose a 1% statewide surtax on the rental of accommodations when charged by the owner of the property or by a person facilitating the rental of the property and deposit the receipts from the surtax into the Kentucky affordable housing trust fund; amend KRS 42.580, 142.402, 142.404, 142.406, and 198A.190 to conform; amend KRS 132.810 to increase the frequency of the property tax homestead exemption cost of living adjustment to annually instead of biennially; create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define terms; allow religious institutions to develop affordable housing with only a ministerial submission to review by a planning unit for compliance with the provisions of the section if the development is on land owned by a religious institution, exclusively contains affordable housing for a period of 10 years, and contains fewer than 25 units; allow for religious institutions to propose an affordable housing development exceeding 25 units but require a public meeting and

accessory dwelling unit is created, and prohibit the accessory dwelling unit's use as a short-term rental. HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except require a signed agreement between a temporary alcohol and drug (H)

HB583 (BR1002)/LM - J. Watkins, L.

allow the Kentucky Housing Corporation to provide technical and advisory resources to a religious developer;

approval by the planning commission;

create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to provide automatic expungement of records in actions for forcible entry and detainer; amend KRS 383.250 to provide for sealing of records; amend KRS 198A.027 to allow appropriations to be used for homeless initiatives; appropriate \$104 million from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund account for various affordable housing initiatives; repeal KRS 65.874 and 383.198; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB584 (BR1276) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to educational cooperatives.

Amend KRS 160.290 to provide that an interlocal cooperative board is an extension school district and all statutes and administrative regulations that apply to school districts extend to interlocal cooperative boards; amend KRS 156.070 to provide that the Kentucky Board of Education has the management and control of interlocal cooperative boards and that the board shall manage interlocal cooperative boards in the same manner and method as the board manages school districts: amend KRS 156.010 to provide that the commissioner of education is responsible for monitoring the management of interlocal cooperative boards; amend KRS 156.200 to provide that the commissioner of education shall receive and examine all KBE reports of interlocal cooperative boards and see that all financial and educational accounts are accurately and neatly kept; amend KRS 158.785 to include inefficiencies in the governance and administration of interlocal cooperative boards in the commissioner's report on recommendations on the designation of school districts as "state assisted" or "state managed"; amend KRS 156.255 to define "interlocal cooperative board"; amend KRS 156.265 to extend school district audit requirements to include interlocal cooperative boards; amend KRS 156.275 to conform; amend KRS 156.285 to authorize the accountant to access the financial records of interlocal cooperative boards; amend KRS 156.295 to apply the misdemeanor penalty to preventing or obstructing an audit of an interlocal cooperative board to any interlocal cooperative school board officer or employee.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB585 (BR1611) - S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to government oversight. Amend KRS 6.935 to include gender

neutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H) AN ACT relating to government accountability. Amend KRS 6.925 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB587 (BR977) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to the regulation of recovery residences and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 222.504 and 222.506 to require that recovery residences be inspected at least annually by state or local officials capable of ensuring compliance with all state and local zoning, building code, and fire safety laws, administrative regulations, and ordinances and establish maximum occupancy standards for recovery residences; amend KRS 222.510 to permit local governments to require an individual or entity seeking to establish a recovery residence to provide notice up to six months in advance to all property owners within 1,000 feet of the property on which the recovery residence will be located; EMERGENCY.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB588 (BR1252)/LM - S. Bratcher, S. Witten, N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to the affordable housing trust fund.

Amend KRS 64.012 to increase and modify fees received by the county clerk; after January 1, 2026, allow recalculation using the CPI-U, with the fee increase going to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; apply to fees received by county clerks for services provided on or after August 1, 2025.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

HB589 (BR484)/LM - K. Moser, S. Baker, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to student health and safety.

Amend KRS 158.162 to define "critical incident," require investigations in emergency plans for critical incidents, and state the goals of the investigations; amend KRS 158.4410 to task the state school security marshal with investigating serious physical injury or death incidents that occur on school property, at school-sanctioned events, or during interscholastic athletic events: create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to outline the parameters of the investigation, require referral of potential criminal charges, and require necessary administrative regulations; amend KRS 72.025 to require the coroner conduct an autopsy in deaths occuring on public or nonpublic school property or during a school-sanctioned event.

Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB590 (BR1256) - N. Kulkarni, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to an apprenticeship tax credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish an income tax credit for employers that maintain an aprenticeship program and hire apprentices; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the credit.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB591 (BR1689) - S. Miles

AN ACT relating to transportation. Amend KRS 186.230 and 186.120 to insert gender-neutral language; make technical correction.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HB592 (BR1728) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to name change of a minor.

Amend KRS 401.020 to require the establishment of a legal relationship between a parent and child in proceedings involving a name change for the child.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

### HB593 (BR1753)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to minimum wage for essential workers.

Amend KRS 337.010 to define "essential employee"; amend KRS 337.275 to set a minimum wage for essential employees.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic

Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB594 (BR1751) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to prohibited employment agreements.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to prohibit an employer from conditioning employment or employment benefits on an employee signing specified types of releases and agreements related to unlawful acts in the workplace; create a new section of KRS Chapter 372 to prohibit specified provisions related to harassment in settlement agreements in civil and administrative actions with exceptions.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment AN ACT relating to interpersonal violence and abuse.

Amend KRS 403.720 to supplement the definition of domestic violence and abuse; amend KRS 456.010 to supplement the definition of dating violence and abuse.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB596 (BR900)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to petitions for orders of protection.

Amend KRS 403.725 and 456.030 to require the court of justice to create protocols to allow law enforcement officers to assist victims in filing a petition for an order of protection.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB597 (BR903) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to custody. Amend KRS 403.270, 403.280, 403.315, and 403.340 to remove the presumption in favor of joint custody and equal parenting time; amend KRS 403.320 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

### HB598 (BR1743)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to employment provisions for employees on parental leave.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require employers with 50 or more employees to provide 12 weeks of paid parental leave for an employee who has been employed for at least one year; allow an employee to waive the paid parental leave; provide for the promulgation of administrative regulations.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB599 (BR1754)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to wages. Amend KRS 337.010 to remove specified individuals from the definition of "employee" and to define "worker with a disability"; amend KRS 337.275 to require all employers to pay all employees, including workers with a disability, a minimum wage and increase the state minimum wage over the next three years to no less than 100 percent of the municipality, county, or state minimum wage or the prevailing wage as defined in 29 C.F.R. sec. 1.2; amend KRS 337.295 to remove learners, apprentices, workers with a disability, sheltered workshop employees, and students from regulations issued by the commissioner for the Department of Workplace

HB586 (BR1612) - S. Sharp

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB595 (BR901) - A. Camuel

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Standards; amend KRS 205.5605 to exclude referrals to sheltered workshop employment from the definition of

"covered services and supports" as of July 1, 2028; amend KRS 154.22-040 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Employees with Disabilities Equal Pay Act.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic

**Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

## HB600 (BR1822) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky Program, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Appropriate \$26,000,000 in General Fund in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) budget unit from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB601 (BR1766) - R. Dotson, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to blood donation. Amend KRS 214.452 to add receipt of a COVID -19 vaccine to the blood donor risk factor statement collected by a blood establishment; amend KRS 214.458 to add donor receipt of a COVID-19 vaccine to the donor identification information affixed to a unit of donated blood; add that except in an emergency, a patient be informed if the donor of the blood to be transfused had received a COVID-19 vaccine.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB602 (BR1761) - A. Camuel Feb 20-WITHDRAWN

## HB603 (BR1570) - M. Hart, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to school cooperation with patriotic organizations.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "organization" as a federally recognized patriotic civic service organization that consists of or serves youths; permit an organization to request and require superintendents to provide an opportunity to provide information to students on school property during a school day.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H)

HB604 (BR1001)/LM - M. Hart, J. Decker

AN ACT relating to property tax rates for emergency services.

Amend KRS 75.040 to increase the maximum property tax rate that can be levied by a fire protection district or a volunteer fire department district; limit any increase in the total tax levy beyond the initially approved levy to two cents

rates from the provisions of KRS 132.023; amend KRS 75A.050 to increase the maximum property tax rate that can be levied by a district that provides fire services, emergency medical services, and rescue services; limit any increase in the total tax levy beyond the initially approved levy to two cents per \$100 of assessed valuation a year; require a public hearing and notification to the public for rate levy; exempt tax increases from the provisions of KRS 132.023; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB605 (BR999) - J. Bray, J. Petrie, A. Bowling

AN ACT relating to economic relief for local communities of the Commonwealth and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 154.14-020, relating to the GRANT Program, to redefine "eligible grant applicant," "eligible project," "eligible use," "GRANT program," "GRANT program fund," "regional project," and define "qualifying federal entity"; amend KRS 154.14-030 to make technical changes; amend KRS 154.14-040 to modify the dates of the Cabinet for Economic Development's review of grant applications and provide that obligation of funds shall be no more than 12 months with a possible six month extension; amend KRS 154.14-050 to make technical changes and allow community support evidence to come from the grant applicant or a majority of applicants for a regional project; amend KRS 154.14-060 to make technical changes and authorize the cabinet to transfer up to 10 percent of the funds remaining in the two categories of funds with notice to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue or applicable standing; amend KRS 154.14-070 to make technical changes; repeal KRS 154.14-010 and 154.14-080; EMERGENCY.

## **HB605 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/FN - Retain original provisions, except amend the definition of "eligible grant applicant" to include specific public services; establish that the obligation of funds shall be no more than 12 months with a possible six-month extension; make technical changes; EMERGENCY. HFA1(J. Bray) - Retain original provisions, except add waterfront development services to public services being provided by eligible grant applicants.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB606 (BR451)/FN - W. Williams, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to general obligation bonds

Amend KRS 45.812 to require an agency, corporation, or school district that is authorized to issue a general obligation bond by an appropriation of the General Assembly, or by or on behalf of any Kentucky school district, to report the costs associated with the issuance of the bond to the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HB607 (BR1287) - J. Petrie, S. Baker, R. Bridges, J. Calloway, D. Hale, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to moral instruction. Amend KRS 158.200 to detail process by which local boards of education may permit pupils to attend moral instruction; permit individuals or groups offering moral instruction to submit a request to a board and set requirements to be included in request; require superintendents to submit individuals providing transportation or moral instruction for criminal history and CA/N background checks; provide that students attending moral instruction are counted in average daily attendance for SEEK funding; repeal KRS 158.210, 158.220, 158.230, 158.240, 158.250, and 158.260.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB608 (BR1137) - C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to property fees. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 75 to define "premises"; allow a fire protection district or subdistrict, or a volunteer fire department district, to assess a fee against a premises for the costs of maintaining necessary fire protection measures; establish billing and appeals process; set reporting requirements; create a new section of KRS Chapter 75A to define "premises"; allow a consolidated emergency services district board to assess a fee against a premises for the costs of maintaining necessary fire protection measures; establish billing and appeals process; set reporting requirements; create a new section of KRS Chapter 244 to define terms: establish a process for distilled spirits aging facilities to reimburse nearby property owners for

cleaning expenses relating to whiskey fungus; require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the program; include any affected property within a three mile radius of aging facilities; determine cleaning expenses based on costs incurred by the property owner and verify through an independent entity; direct the department to determine the cleaning expenses in the absence of an agreement; impose fines on distilled spirits licensees who disregard the reimbursement process; pay all cleaning expense reimbursements from moneys in the distilled spirits environmental fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 138 to define terms; require distilled spirits barrel aging facilities to pay to the Department of Revenue a \$0.25 environmental fee on each barrel stored on January 1 of each year; apply all provisions of KRS Chapter 131 to the fee; create a new section of KRS Chapter 244 to establish the distilled spirits environmental fund; authorize the fund to consist of moneys received from the barrel environmental fee and cleaning expense fines; direct the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to administer the fund; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB609 (BR309) - J. Nemes, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to certificate of need. Amend KRS 216B.020, relating to certificates of need, to reformat the list of facilities and services exempt from certificate of need provisions; amend KRS 216B.095 to require rather than permit the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to grant a nonsubstantive review to listed health facilities and services; add a presumption of need and state health plan consistency to health facilities and services granted a nonsubstantive review; amend KRS 216B.062 to prohibit the cabinet from batching applications for certificate of need applications that propose the same or similar types of services, facilities, or equipment; create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to require the cabinet to establish a four-year pilot program for urban health care markets with modified certificate of need exemptions and nonsubstantive review requirements beginning January 1, 2026; define "health care system," "pilot program," and "urban health care market"; list health facilities and services exempt from certificate of need for purposes of the pilot program; list nonsubstantive review requirements and conditions for the pilot program; require that a certificate of need and all related investments be retained after the completion of the pilot program; require a report to the Legislative Research Commission on the pilot program by November 1 each year; permit the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the pilot program.

per \$100 of assessed valuation a year; require a public hearing and notification to the public for rate levy; exempt the

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 96-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (1)

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB610 (BR1212) - W. Williams

AN ACT relating to revenue. Repeal and reenact KRS 132.010, relating to property taxes, to remove definitions of terms not used within KRS Chapter 132 and to alphabetize and restructure the definitions; amend various other sections to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB611 (BR1795) - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverages.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 243 to define terms; exempt qualified estate collections of vintage distilled spirits from the annual package maximum; limit the exemption to 12 collections in any given 12 months; amend KRS 243.232 to allow vintage distilled spirits licensees to purchase from vintage distilled spirits sellers either in person or via shipment; require a vintage distilled spirits licensee to report its estate collection purchases and whether the vintage distilled spirits were shipped or purchased in person; permit sellers and licensees to direct ship vintage distilled spirits; establish the separate direct shipping privileges, duties, and limitations for both sellers and licensees.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB612 (BR1771)/LM - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to real property. Amend KRS 132.010 and 136.010 to include certain types of mains, pipes, pipelines, and conduits in the definition of "real property" for taxation purposes; disallow claims for refunds or credits of tax overpayments from amended returns, tax refund applications or any other method related to the provisions of this legislation; apply to property assessed on or after December 31, 2022; RETROACTIVE.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB613 (BR1470) - R. Bivens

AN ACT relating to sales and use taxes.

Amend KRS 139.010 to exclude document fees, lien fees, and insurance passed through from the manufacturer from the definition of "gross receipts"; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB614 (BR1880)/AA/LM - M. Dossett

and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 304.17A-595 to remove requirement for certain health insurance contracts to provide a temporary minimum dispensing fee to retail independent pharmacies.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB615 (BR1848) - B. McCool, P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to electric utilities. Amend KRS 278.684 to make technical changes.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB616 (BR1870)/LM - B. McCool, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to investor-owned electric utilities.

Amend KRS 278.160 to prohibit the collection of charges and fees for other governmental units by an investorowned electric utility; prohibit the collection of certain surcharges and amounts that are not directly and exclusively related to the provision of electric service; require investor owned utilities to file new tariffs 90 days after December 30, 2025; EFFECTIVE December 30, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

## HB617 (BR1666) - M. Koch

AN ACT relating to licensed occupations.

Amend KRS 312.165 to make technical corrections.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

### HB618 (BR1169) - M. Koch

AN ACT relating to alcohol retail premises.

Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 243 to allow a licensee to purchase alcohol directly from retailers only to be sold by the drink for consumption on the licensed premises or off-premises pursuant to KRS 243.081; amend KRS 244.590 to remove language relating to draught-line cleaning.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

## HB620 (BR213) - N. Tate

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 501.060 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB621 (BR1329)/CI - R. Duvall, K. Jackson, S. Sharp, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to children. Create new section of KRS Chapter 635 to establish penalties for children who violate KRS 508.075, 508.078, or 508.080; amend KRS 159.170 to prohibit transfer of a student to an at-home private school while certain proceedings are pending.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Judiciary (H); 1st reading ; returned to Judiciary (H); reassigned to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB622 (BR839) - S. McPherson, J. Petrie, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Gentry, D. Grossberg, V. Grossl, D. Hale, S. Heavrin, K. King, N. Kulkarni, C. Lewis, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to government contracts and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 45A.030 to expand the definition of "contract"; amend KRS 45A.035 to require promulgation of administrative regulations to establish policies regarding timely payments under contracts; create a new section of KRS Chapter 45A to establish timely payment penalty and procedures; require the Finance and Administration Cabinet to submit a detailed report of interest penalties and reimbursement payments every six months due to payments not timely made to the Legislative Research Commission; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to State Government

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Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

## HB623 (BR1765)/CI/LM - C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to grand jury service. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 29A to provide that a person present at any part of a grand jury proceeding shall amend KRS 29A.990 to establish the penalty for knowingly recording or disclosing information gathered at a grand jury proceeding as a Class A misdemeanor unless the defendant is a public servant as defined in KRS 519.010, in which case it is a Class D felony; amend KRS 500.050 to provide that a misdemeanor violation of knowingly recording or disclosing information gathered at a grand jury proceeding shall be prosecuted within 10 years after the act is committed.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB624 (BR1778) - S. Doan, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the presentation of ceremonial checks of taxpayer funds and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 11A to define terms; establish requirements and restrictions for executive branch officials to present ceremonial checks of taxpayer dollars; declare purpose of the Act; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB625 (BR1574) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to the sale or exchange of currency or bullion. Amend KRS 141.019 and 141.039 to ignore capital gains and capital losses from the sale or exchange of currency or bullion.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB626 (BR1895) - A. Donworth, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to local school board student representatives.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to require each local school board to include at least one student representative; require each local school board to adopt a school board student representative policy; set minimum requirements for the school board student representative policy.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB627 (BR1811)/AA/HM/LM/SP - A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to coverage for perinatal mood and anxiety disorders screenings.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to allow perinatal mood and anxiety disorders screenings to be claimed as a service for the child as part of the early and periodic, diagnostic and treatment benefit; amend KRS 205.6497 to require the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program to cover perinatal

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AN ACT relating to professional dispensing fees for prescription drugs

HB619 (BR1916) - J. Tipton

not knowingly record the proceeding or disclose any information they gather while present during a proceeding;

mood and anxiety disorders screenings; create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require a health plan to cover perinatal mood and anxiety disorders screenings as part of a wellchild or well-baby visit; to suspend the coverage requirement for perinatal mood and anxiety disorders screenings under qualified health plans if cost defrayment required by the state; amend KRS 164.2871 and 18A.225 to require selfinsured employer group health plans offered by a state postsecondary education institution and the state employee health plan to cover perinatal mood and anxiety disorders screenings; provide that various sections apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department for Medicaid Services or the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB628 (BR1283)/LM - A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to election districts and making an appropriation therefor.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 5 to establish the Advisory Redistricting Commission, which shall be composed of members appointed by the General Assembly and members of the public at large; define terms; establish commissioner pay, conditions, powers, and duties; provide that commissioners' terms correlate with obligations of each census cycle; establish the conditions, powers, and duties of the commission; require the commission to draft redistricting plans for legislative and congressional districts, with parameters prescribed; establish standards to be followed by the commission for commissioners who develop plans; require the commission to submit its redistricting plans to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on State Government; require the General Assembly to consider the commission's plans as approved by the Interim Joint Committee on State Government; allow the General Assembly to enact or reject the plans of the commission by a date certain or to return to the commission for adjustment; provide that if the General Assembly does not enact the plans, the plans shall be returned to the commission, which may incorporate changes requested by the General Assembly, but shall not be required to incorporate changes; require the commission to submit to the General Assembly new redistricting plans for enactment at a date certain; allow General Assembly to enact its own redistricting plans after a date certain; provide for penalties and fine upon conviction of persons attempting to influence, or commissioners accepting influence, per the duties of the commission; amend KRS 5.005 to remove the Secretary of State as being named as a defendant in any action challenging the constitutionality of any legislative district and replace with the Advisory Redistricting Commission; provide that the Act may be cited as the

## Fair Maps Act; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB629 (BR1767) - R. Dotson, B. Wesley, S. Baker, C. Fugate, D. Hale, M. Hart, M. Proctor, T. Roberts, T. Smith, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to providing health services to a person who is not vaccinated.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to prohibit the refusal to provide health services to a person who has not been vaccinated.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB630 (BR1841) - R. Bivens, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, C. Massaroni, M. Pollock, T. Roberts, S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to eminent domain. Create a new section of KRS 262.900 to 262.920 to prohibit the taking of property subject to an agricultural conservation easement by eminent domain; allow public hearing on a proposed taking of property subject to an agricultural conservation easement before the local soil and water conservation district board of supervisors; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to allow an owner of property adjoining a property condemned by eminent domain to bring a civil action against the condemnor for damages to property; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a five-year statute of limitations for actions by adjoining property owners against condemnors; create a new section of KRS Chapter 416 to prohibit land condemned by eminent domain from being used for the construction of solar energy facilities; amend KRS 262.850 to prohibit the taking of property within the boundaries of an agricultural district by eminent domain; require condemnors to provide a written report at public hearing justifying condemnation due to lack of feasible alternative locations; amend KRS 382.850 to prohibit the taking of property subject to a conservation easement by eminent domain; allow an owner of property subject to a conservation easement who has been served with a summons of condemnation proceedings to request a public hearing before the local soil and water conservation district board of supervisors; require condemnors to provide a written report at public hearing justifying condemnation due to lack of feasible alternative locations; amend KRS 416.550 to require that prior to filing a petition to initiate condemnation proceedings with regard to private property, the condemnor shall engage in good-faith negotiations with the property owner, seek written consent from the property owner to make an audio or video recording of the good-faith negotiations and to submit the recording to the Attorney General, refrain from

the property owner until a survey of the property has been completed at the expense of the condemnor; provide that the recording of negotiations is subject to public inspection under the Kentucky Open Records Act; amend KRS 416.560 to specify requirements for contents of notice of entry to owners of property; establish penalty for failure to give notice; amend KRS 416.570 to require a petition for condemnation proceedings to contain statements that the property is not subject to an easement that prohibits taking by eminent domain, that there are no reasonable alternate locations or routes for the proposed project, that good-faith negotiations have occurred as prescribed, that no materially false or misleading statements were made to a property owner, and that an audio or video recording of the negotiations has been taken and submitted to the Attorney General or waived by the property owner; amend KRS 416.580 to require the appointment of a certified independent real estate appraiser to the group of commissioners who establish the value of condemned property; amend KRS 416.610 to require the condemnor to pay expenses and reasonable attorney's fees in a condemnation proceeding; amend KRS 416.620 to require the condemnor to pay expenses and reasonable attorney's fees in a condemnation proceeding; amend KRS 416.660 to establish a highest and best use valuation for condemned property; establish the payment of a premium of 125% for any condemned property used for conservation, farm, or agricultural purposes; amend KRS 416.675 to define "private owner."

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB631 (BR1755)/LM - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to employment schedules.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 requiring employers to give employees a good-faith schedule of hours to be worked, to have a voluntary standby list of employees who wish to work additional hours, to post weekly schedules at least seven days in advance, and to provide certain rest periods for employees from being scheduled; allow employees to identify time limitations for scheduling work hours; require compensation for employer changes to the schedule; set forth unlawful practices; amend KRS 337.990 to establish a penalty for violations.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB632 (BR1747)/LM - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to leave from employment.

Amend KRS 337.415 to define terms "crime," "immediate family," and "victim"; prohibit employers from discharging or with the prosecution of a crime; require an employee to give an employer reasonable notice to take leave when practicable; provide guidelines for use of paid leave; require the employer to maintain confidentiality of records and communication with employee crime victim; create a private right of action for improper discharge, discrimination, retaliation, and failing to maintain confidentiality; amend KRS 337.990 to establish penalties for violations by an employer.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment

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#### HB633 (BR1807)/AA/HM/LM/SP - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to mental health coverage in connection with pregnancy.

Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require health benefit plans to provide coverage for counseling interventions for pregnant and postpartum persons at increased risk of perinatal depression, including persons who have suffered a miscarriage or stillbirth; suspend the coverage requirement's application to qualified health plans if the state would be required to make cost defrayal payments; amend KRS 205.522, 205.6485, 18A.225, and 164.2871 to require Medicaid, the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program, self-insured employer plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, and the state employee health plan to comply with the coverage requirement for counseling interventions; provide that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to seek federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB634 (BR1199) - J. Decker, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to the selection and oversight of Article V convention commissioners.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 6 providing for the selection and oversight of Article V commissioners if an Article V Convention is called and the Commonwealth is a participant; define terms; require the General Assembly to pass a commissioning resolution naming five commissioners to represent the Commonwealth in the convention; include in the resolution the commission, limitations, and allow the General Assembly to provide additional instructions; direct requirements for the commissioners; require the commissioners to execute an oath and the oath be filed with the Secretary of State; provide that a commissioner may

making any materially false or misleading statements, and not enter into any legally binding agreement with retaliating against an employee who is a crime victim when the employee takes leave to attend proceedings associated be recalled or removed at any time for any reason by a joint resolution of the General Assembly, or if the General

Assembly is not in session, recalled or suspended by the advisory committee; provide that a commissioner vacancy shall be filled by the advisory committee's selection of an interim commissioner until such time as a vote by the General Assembly shall select a permanent replacement; provide for commissioner allowances, compensation, and gift limitations; provide the duties and responsibilities of the delegation; provide quorum requirements and votes required for a decision of the delegation; establish an advisory committee; provide for membership and administration of the advisory committee; permit a commissioner to consult with the advisory committee the impact of prospective actions; require the advisory committee to respond to requests for advice by a commissioner; require the advisory committee to notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate if it has reason to believe that a commissioner has exceeded the scope of his or her authority; require the advisory committee to notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate if it recalls or suspends a commissioner.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB635 (BR1871)/LM - A. Tackett Laferty, D. Gordon, D. Hale, K. King, R. White

AN ACT relating to the establishment of a grant database.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 42 to define terms; require the Finance and Administration Cabinet to create a grant database that will be a central repository for information on all available state or local government grants; require state and local agencies to report grant opportunities to the Finance and Administration Cabinet for inclusion in the grant database.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

## HB636 (BR1914) - S. Lewis

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB637 (BR1915) - S. Lewis

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB638 (BR802)/AA - W. Thomas, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to the Teachers' Retirement System.

Amend KRS 161.220 to add certain employees of WeLeadCS to the definition of "member"; allow the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) to promulgate administrative regulations to facilitate payment and collection for purchased service credit, and make technical changes; amend KRS 161.230 to allow TRS to establish a title holding company for certain investments; amend KRS 161.250 to specify the deadline for a written appeal of a TRS decision is not subject to the jurisdiction of any court or appeal process; amend KRS 161.430 to allow agreements for commingled investments or real property to be made in or governed by laws outside of the Commonwealth; amend KRS 161.470 to cease interest accrual on the retirement account of members convicted of a felony related to employment after the date of conviction; amend KRS 161.585 to allow a member appealing denial of disability and the member's legal counsel to have access to all written material submitted by the medical review committee to TRS and make technical changes; amend KRS 161.600 to specify the deadline for changes to a member's retirement application is not subject to the jurisdiction of any court or appeal process; amend KRS 161.624 to add filing and other deadlines for information the member or beneficiary is responsible for obtaining; amend KRS 161.630 to specify the deadline for electing a new optional plan of payment or for a change of beneficiary shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of any court or appeal process; amend KRS 161.635 to make a technical change; amend KRS 161.636 to make a technical change; amend KRS 161.661 to clarify the deadline for filing an application for disability benefits is not subject to the jurisdiction of any court or appeal process, that failure to provide income and employment verification documentation or submission of false or fraudulent documentation will result in suspension or disqualification from disability benefits, to allow a member and the member's counsel to be entitled to all written recommendations and reports submitted by the medical review committee, and make technical changes; amend KRS 161.680 to allow determination of errors resulting in over or underpayment to be determined by the TRS board or staff; repeal KRS 161.553, relating to the funding of past statutory benefits; amend KRS 56.8605, 58.868, and 161.550 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB639 (BR891)/LM - P. Griffee, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to a property tax homestead exemption for disabled

taxes, to establish a new homestead exemption for veterans with a serviceconnected disability; establish requirements for the exemption; allow the permanent residence of a veteran's surviving spouse to continue to receive the exemption; require the Department of Revenue to prescribe forms and an application process for the exemption; apply the exemption to state, county, city, and special district taxes; allow mobile homes, manufactured houses, recreational homes, and modular homes to qualify for the exemption; require title transfers on property receiving the exemption to be reported to the property valuation administrator; allow the exemption to apply to the value of the property that is assessable to the owner or proportioned to his or her interest when the property is jointly owned or owned through a stock or membership corporation; allow partial or full refunds if an overpayment occurs upon application of the exemption; apply to property assessed on or after January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H)

## HB640 (BR1562) - J. Gooch Jr.

AN ACT relating to invasive plant species.

Amend KRS 224.10-100 to authorize the Energy and Environment Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to prevent the spread of invasive, nonnative plant species.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

## HB641 (BR1720) - J. Gooch Jr.

AN ACT relating to coal combustion by-products.

Amend KRS 224.50-760 to allow coal combustion by-products to be beneficially reused at underground or surface coal mines and to allow for the resulting reclaimed land to be used for any suitable purposes, including agricultural purposes.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

## HB642 (BR1806) - T. Bojanowski

AN ACT relating to the taxation of breast pumps and related supplies.

Amend KRS 139.472 to define and exempt from sales and use tax breast pumps, breast pump storage and collection supplies, and breast pump kits from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2029, and require the Department of Revenue to report the exemption each September 1; amend KRS 131.190 to authorize the department to report the exemption to the Legislative Research Commission; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB643 (BR1632) - C. Freeland, B. McCool, D. Hale

AN ACT relating to fire prevention and protection.

Create a new section of KRS 227.200 to 227.400 to allow for the creation of a local appeals board to hear appeals from final orders of fire chiefs and state fire marshals; establish membership, procedures, and jurisdiction when no local appeals board is established; provide for appeal to Circuit Court of jurisdiction; amend KRS 227.200 to define terms; amend KRS 227.210, 227.335, 227.380, and 227.390 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB644 (BR1416)/LM - M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to group health insurance.

Amend KRS 91A.080 to exempt group health insurance premiums from local government license fee or tax upon insurance companies.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB645 (BR406) - M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to earned income access transactions.

Establish Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 286, the Kentucky Financial Services Code, and create new sections thereof to regulate earned income access transactions; define terms; establish licensing requirements for certain earned income access providers; establish requirements for the change of control of a licensee; establish records requirements for licensees; require annual and other reports by licensees; permit the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions to conduct examinations and investigations of licensees and other persons; establish trade practice requirements for licensees; require the commissioner to establish a database for use by the department and licensees and establish requirements relating to the use of the database; require the nonrenewal, revocation, or suspension of licenses if certain conditions are met; authorize the commissioner to promulgate administrative regulations and to levy civil penalties for certain conduct; provide that certain transactions are void; amend KRS 286.4-410 and 371.150 to conform; provide that Sections 1 to 11 of this Act may be cited as the Kentucky Earned Wage Access Act; provide that the Act applies to earned income access transactions offered or provided on or after January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

neutral language.

veterans.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 132, relating to state and local property

HB646 (BR1832) - S. Maddox

AN ACT relating to medical products. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to define "medical product"; prohibit any a public or government entity or any agency or division thereof, from requiring an individual to take, receive, or disclose whether a medical product has been taken or received, unless the manufacturer of the product is liable for any death or injury caused by the product.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB647 (BR1833) - S. Maddox, J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to immunization policy.

Create a new of section KRS Chapter 164 to allow a student, staff, or faculty member to opt out of a postsecondary school's immunization policy for specified reasons; create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to prohibit a public entity from creating standardized documentation with the purpose of certifying vaccination status; create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to require written notice of vaccination exemptions for a sincerely held religious belief or medical contraindication; establish which health care providers can support a medical exemption; require notice of federal mandates and exemptions; establish civil cause of action for violations; amend KRS 214.015 to prohibit the Department for Public Health from releasing personally identifiable information from immunization reports to another public agency or third party; amend KRS 214.034 to prohibit public and private primary and secondary schools and preschool programs from promulgating a new immunization policy and mandating compliance during a school year that has already commenced; and amend KRS 214.036 to allow objection to immunization on the basis of conscientiously held beliefs.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB648 (BR1831) - S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to liability shield products and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 217 to define terms; require a manufacturer of a liability shield product to subject the product to a placebocontrolled study before it is manufactured, marketed, distributed, or administered in Kentucky; establish requirements for the placebo-controlled study; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to monitor and track adverse outcomes of liability shield products; require manufacturers of liability shield products to submit documentation to the cabinet of the placebo-controlled study and results of the study; provide that an individual has right to refuse a liability shield product; permit the Attorney General to bring actions for violations; permit individuals

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB649 (BR1784) - S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to a sales and use tax holiday.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to establish a three-day sales and use tax holiday during the first weekend in August each year to exempt clothing, which includes diapers, school supplies, school art supplies, computers, school computer supplies, and menstrual discharge collection devices; EMERGENCY; EFFECTIVE May 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB650 (BR307) - P. Flannery, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Tax Tribunal.

Establish a new KRS Chapter 145 to create the Kentucky Tax Tribunal within the executive branch to be the single form for all tax litigation; establish judges, forums, processes, and methods of appeal; amend various statutes to conform; repeal sections of KRS Chapter 49 which constituted the Board of Tax Appeals; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB651 (BR1816) - A. Tackett Laferty, L. Burke

AN ACT relating to the Child Care Assistance Program.

Amend KRS 199.894 to define "Child Care and Development Fund" and "Child Care Assistance Program"; create a new section of KRS 199.892 to 199.896 to establish income eligibility requirements for the Child Care Assistance Program.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

HB652 (BR1706) - J. Calloway, C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Rules of Evidence.

Create a new section of the Kentucky Rules of Evidence to make criminal charges, convictions, pleas of guilty, or pardons arising from the events of January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia inadmissible in any civil or criminal proceeding.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB653 (BR1207) - J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to education and

define terms; deem material, performances, events, or programs that are obscene, harmful to minors, or contain obscene imagery representing minors as educationally unsuitable and not age appropriate; require principals to remove student access to materials, programs, or events deemed educationally unsuitable or not age appropriate; modify complaint and appeals timelines; require that principal or local board of education report that a material, program, or event was educationally unsuitable and age appropriate to the educational materials review committee; provide that willful violation be a basis for employee disciplinary action; require local boards of education to adopt policies to prevent educationally unsuitable and not age appropriate material from being introduced into the school library or made accessible on school property; require the Kentucky Department of Education to provide a model policy for excluding matter that is educationally unsuitable and not age appropriate from school libraries; require the Kentucky Board of Education to establish an educational materials review committee to evaluate decisions made locally and provide recommendations to the Kentucky Board of Education on the usage of reported materials, programs, and events; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB654 (BR1411) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to oaths. Amend KRS 6.072 to require witnesses appearing before a committee, interim committee, statutory committee, subcommittee, commission, or task force of the General Assembly to take an oath prior to giving testimony and that any oath administered is video recorded.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government

(H)

HB655 (BR1726) - B. Chester-Burton, M. Marzian, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to teachers. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms; establish the future Kentucky teacher scholarship; define eligibility for the program; direct the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to administer the program; provide monetary awards for student loan repayment for eligible students who complete qualified teaching service; establish the future Kentucky teacher scholarship fund.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Postsecondary

Education (H)

HB656 (BR1744) - B. Chester-Burton, M. Marzian, G. Brown Jr. Amend KRS 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, 344.080, 344.100, and 344.110 to add protections against discrimination based on weight.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

#### HB657 (BR1534) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to the Honor and Remember flag.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to define and designate the Honor and Remember flag as the state's emblem of the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces who gave their lives in the line of duty; specify locations, dates, and circumstances under which the flag may be displayed; provide that if Congress designates a flag to honor those service members who gave their lives in the line of duty, then that flag shall be used instead of the flag created by Honor and Remember, Inc.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB658 (BR1146) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to social work. Amend KRS 335.010 to remove outdated provisions that established an amnesty period related to disciplinary action, administrative fees, or fines for unlicensed social workers; amend KRS 335.020 to redefine the "practice of social work" and define "practice of clinical social work"; amend KRS 335.070 to allow the Kentucky Board of Social Work to promulgate administrative regulations relating to provisional license for students; amend KRS 335.080, 335.090, and 335.100, relating to the licensure requirements for certified social workers, licensed social workers, and licensed clinical social workers to include practice via telehealth and require Council on Social Work Education accreditation; amend KRS 335.158 to establish requirements for social workers who provide services via telehealth; amend KRS 387.610 and 457.090 to conform.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB659 (BR1866) - J. Gooch Jr.

AN ACT relating to energy. Amend KRS 224.10-225 for gender neutrality.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB660 (BR1865) - J. Gooch Jr.

AN ACT relating to natural resources. Amend KRS 350.028 to include gender-neutral language.

to bring actions for injuries; EMERGENCY. declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 158.192 to change the definition of "harmful to minors" and

AN ACT relating to employment discrimination.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB661 (BR1580) - E. Callaway, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to the transportation of students and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 189.540 to authorize the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to govern the operation of passenger vehicles used to transport students that are owned, leased, or privately contracted by school districts; provide that operators of a passenger vehicle that is owned, leased, or privately contracted by the district to transport students shall possess a valid Class D operator's license; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB662 (BR1555)/LM - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to personally identifiable information.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define terms; prohibit the disclosure of personally identifiable information of judicial officers or their immediate family members by a government agency if a written request not to disclose the information has been made; require a government agency to remove personally identifiable information of a judicial officer or immediate family member within 72 hours of receiving a written request for its removal; establish a civil cause of action for injunctive or declaratory relief for unauthorized disclosure.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB663 (BR1548) - J. Blanton

AN ACT relating to recyclers. Repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 177.905, 177.910, 177.912, 177.915, 177.920, 177.925, 177.395, 177.940, and 177.950 as new sections of KRS Chapter 190 to place the licensing of recyclers under the Motor Vehicle Commission.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HB664 (BR1044) - J. Blanton, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to highway work zones.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 189 to define "automated speed enforcement device," "owner," "program," and "recorded images"; direct the Transportation Cabinet to establish a pilot program for automated speed enforcement in highway work zones and issue a civil citation to an operator of a motor vehicle traveling more than 10 miles per hour over the posted speed limit when a bona fide worker is present; establish procedures for citation issuance; direct the Transportation

that courtesy warnings shall be given for the first 30 days following the date on which the system is active in any part of the work zone; establish when an image recorded by an automated speed enforcement device is to be destroyed; establish to whom an image recorded by an automated speed enforcement device may be disclosed; direct the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the program; establish civil fines for violations issued under the program; specify that all fines and penalties assessed be deposited into the automated speed enforcement fund; require the Transportation Cabinet to annually report to the Legislative Research Commission the status of the program and the number of vehicle accidents, injuries, and fatalities occurring in highway work zones; establish the automated speed enforcement fund; specify that moneys collected be used to defray the costs of administering the program; specify that any moneys collected in excess of program costs be deposited into the highway work zone safety fund and used for the purposes of that fund; provide that the provisions be repealed effective July 1, 2029; provide that the Act may be cited as the Jared Lee Helton Act of 2025

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House: to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HB665 (BR1480) - M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to statutory interpretation.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 446 to include construction of specified terms in the title of an act of the General Assembly.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

### HB666 (BR1596) - S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to state government. Amend KRS 56.020 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB667 (BR1584)/LM - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the restoration of Second Amendment rights.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 237, relating to firearms, to define terms; provide that firearms manufactured in Kentucky shall not be subject to federal law or regulation; require firearms manufactured and sold in Kentucky to have the words "Made in Kentucky" clearly stamped on them; prohibit the state and local enforcement of a federal statute, order, rule, or regulation that does not exist under state law and that purports to regulate a firearm; allow citizens to report evidence of specified state and local entities' noncompliance to the Office of the Attorney General require the Office of the Attorney General to investigate; prohibit specified

entities from receiving state grant funds if found noncompliant: allow the Office of the Attorney General to file a petition for a writ of mandamus or apply for other appropriate equitable relief to compel compliance; provide that the Act applies to firearms that are manufactured on or after the effective date of the Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Second Amendment Restoration Act.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB668 (BR1769) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, S. Doan, T. Huff, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to ivermectin for human use.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 218A to permit the sale or purchase of ivermectin that's been approved for human use without a prescription from a practitioner.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB669 (BR1902) - T. Smith

AN ACT relating to student attendance days and declaring an emergency.

Establish a waiver process and eligibility requirements for school districts to be granted credit for student attendance days missed during September 2024 due to dangers posed by criminal activity; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and

## Secondary Education (H) HB670 (BR1899) - S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to legislative districts. Amend KRS 5.204 and 5.206 to establish the following representative districts: DISTRICT 4 - Lyon KY, Marshall KY, McCracken KY (part); DISTRICT 6 - Hopkins KY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

## HB671 (BR1629) - P. Flannery

Amendments & Intergovernmental

Affairs (H)

AN ACT relating to local government. Amend KRS 67.410 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB672 (BR1157) - J. Bray

AN ACT relating to protection of information and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 42.722 to define terms relating to artificial intelligence; amend KRS 42.726 to require the Commonwealth Office of Technology to

KRS 42.720 to 42.742to create the Artificial Intelligence Governance Committee; task the committee with the establishment of responsible, ethical, and transparent procedures for the allowable use, development, and approval of artificial intelligence for any department, program, cabinet, agency, and administrative body that uses and accesses the Commonwealth's information technology and technology infrastructure; require public disclosure of any use of artificial intelligence; provide employee education and training; prioritize personal privacy and protection of the data of individuals and businesses; require the Commonwealth Office of Technology to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 117.001 to define "electioneering communication," "information content provider," "interactive computer service," "sponsor," and "synthetic media"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 117 to establish a cause of action for the use of synthetic media in an electioneering communication; establish an affirmative defense that the electioneering communication includes a conspicuous disclosure; provide that the sponsor of the electioneering communication may be held liable, but the medium and its advertising sales representative are not liable, except in certain circumstances; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB673 (BR1270) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to employment of unauthorized aliens.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 336 to define terms; prohibit employment of unauthorized aliens; require business entities and employers to enroll in E-Verify and verify employment eligibility of all employees; establish penalties for violations; provide guidelines for verification of employment eligibility by employers seeking economic incentives from the state; create a new section of KRS Chapter 45A to require enrollment and use of E-Verify to receive contracts, grants, or incentives from the state, a political subdivision, or state-funded entity.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

#### HB674 (BR1688) - S. Miles

AN ACT relating to health services. Amend KRS 216.315 to add genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB675 (BR1687) - S. Miles

AN ACT relating to health and family services.

Amend KRS 205.558 to add gender-

Cabinet to install signage with lights that are flashing when an automated speed enforcement device is active; specify

establish and implement policy standards for the use of artificial intelligence; create a new section of neutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

### HB676 (BR1724) - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments. Amend KRS 504.120 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB677 (BR1722) - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 501.080 to make a technical correction and insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB678 (BR1723) - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments.

Amend KRS 502.060 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

### HB679 (BR1926) - W. Williams

AN ACT relating to instructional programs for school-age children. Amend KRS 199.896 to change the requirements for when instructional programs for school-age children are exempt from all child-care licensure administrative regulations.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

## HB680 (BR942) - M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to commercial financing.

Establish Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 286, and create new sections thereof, to define terms; establish exemptions; require certain commercial financing providers to register with the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions to engage in business; establish commercial financing trade practice standards and disclosure requirements for commercial financing transactions; establish penalties and exclusive enforcement by the financial institutions commissioner; provide that Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 286 may be cited as the Kentucky Commercial Financing Disclosure Law; direct that the provisions apply to contracts entered on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

abandoned property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to allow a law enforcement officer to enter vacant and abandoned property to remove any person unlawfully occupying the property; specify when property shall be presumed vacant and abandoned; provide criminal and civil immunity to a law enforcement officer acting in good faith.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB682 (BR1323) - K. Upchurch

AN ACT relating to utility relocation. Create new sections of KRS Chapters 175, 175.B, and 177 to afford cable operator and broadband providers the same rights as public utilities to reimbursement for the costs associated with relocation of their facilities in connection with a turnpike project or projects with public highways.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ;

Peb 20, 2020 2110 reading, to realise posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

### HB683 (BR1812)/AA/HM/LM/SP - M. Lehman, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to coverage for the treatment of postpartum mood disorders. Create a new section of Subtitle 17A

of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for FDA-approved prescription drugs for the treatment of postpartum mood disorders; allow the suspension of the coverage requirement for FDA-approved prescription drugs for the treatment of postpartum mood disorders under qualified health plans if cost defrayment required by the state; amend KRS 205.522, 205.6485, 18A.225, and 164.2871 to require Medicaid, Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program, the state health employee health plan, and a self-insured employer group health plan provided by a state postsecondary education institution to its employees to comply; direct that provisions apply to health benefit plans issued on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB684 (BR367)/LM - J. Decker

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 117.045 to allow a lesser number of precinct officers when the State Board of Elections has approved a county board of elections' precinct consolidation plan; amend KRS 117.065 places by December 1 of each year; require the county board of elections to specify which school buildings will be used; amend KRS 117.066 to conform; allow a county board of elections to request an amendment to its previously submitted precinct consolidation plan if it is at least 56 days before a special election; amend KRS 117.076 to allow caregivers of voters qualified to cast an excused in-person absentee ballot due to age, disability, or illness to cast an excused in-person absentee ballot; amend KRS 117.085 to allow the county clerk to issue voters a mail-in absentee ballot; allow county clerks to issue another mail-in absentee ballot to voters; amend KRS 117.086 to allow the county clerk to dispose of video surveillance of ballot drop-boxes or receptacles after 60 days, upon compliance with the Kentucky Open Records Act, or the completion of an investigation or pending litigation; amend KRS 117.255 to remove the requirement that the county board of elections make the determination of whether a voter requires permanent voting assistance; require that voters requesting assistance on a permanent basis swear an oath; amend KRS 117.265 to change the deadline to file to run as a write-in candidate to the same deadline as the certification of candidates; prohibit certified lists of write-in candidates from being posted; allow voters to review a copy of the certified list of write-in candidates; amend KRS 117.275 to remove language regarding voting equipment that is no longer in use; amend KRS 117.355 to conform; amend KRS 117.383 to allow the video surveillance of hand-to-eye audits to be disposed after 60 days, upon compliance with the Kentucky Open Records Act, or the completion of an investigation or pending litigation; amend KRS 118.125 to require that the two voters signing a candidate's notification and declaration are of the same party and from the same district or jurisdiction as the candidate at the time of signing; amend KRS 118.165 to clarify when candidates shall file nomination papers; amend KRS 118.205 to require that a candidate's district number be listed with the Secretary of State rather than his or her residence; amend KRS 118.212 to conform; amend KRS 118.215 to require that a candidate's office and district number be provided to the county clerks rather than his or her residence; amend KRS 118.315 to clarify that a petitioner for the nomination of a candidate can sign more than one nominating form for the same office; amend KRS 118.387 to require the county clerk and Secretary of State to display a candidate's office and district number rather than his or her residence on their website; clarify that political affiliations shall only be listed online for partisan candidates; amend KRS 118.425 to establish the deadline for the certification of the total number of votes to the Secretary of State following the hand-to-eye audit; amend KRS 118A.140 to require the Secretary of State to record a candidate's office and district number rather than his or her residence; amend KRS 119.165 to

are not required to close if school buildings are used as voting places.

#### **HB684 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 117.065 to require the county board of elections to notify local boards of education of the county board of elections' intent to use school buildings as voting places by December 1 prior to elections; amend KRS 117.086 to allow the county clerk to dispose of video surveillance of ballot drop-boxes or receptacles after 60 days, upon compliance with the Kentucky Open Records Act, or upon the closure of an investigation or any litigation, including appeals; amend KRS 117.228 to remove a credit or debit card as a secondary form of identification to confirm a voter's identity; amend KRS 117.295 to allow the county clerk to dispose of video surveillance of voting equipment after 60 days or upon compliance with the Kentucky Open Records Act or the closure of an investigation or any litigation, including appeals; amend KRS 117.383 to allow the county clerk to dispose of video surveillance of hand-toeye audits after 60 days, upon compliance with the Kentucky Open Records Act, or upon the closure of an investigation or any litigation, including appeals; amend KRS 118.125 to require that the notification and declaration oath for a candidate include that candidate's date of birth.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

#### HB685 (BR1525) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to the 340B Drug Pricing Program.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to define terms; require nonprofit hospitals to submit a 340B Drug Pricing Program report to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services by July 1, 2026, and annually thereafter; direct the Personnel Cabinet to submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission on the impact of the 340B Drug Pricing Program on the Kentucky Employee Health Plan no later than December 1, 2025; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission on the impact of the 340B Drug Pricing Program on Medicaid no later than December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB686 (BR1782)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to the restoration of Second Amendment rights. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 237, relating to firearms, to define terms; provide that firearm suppressors

HB681 (BR981) - R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to vacant and

to require the county board of elections to notify local boards of education of its intent to use school buildings as voting votes or attempts to vote shall be guilty of a Class D felony; amend KRS 158.070 to establish that school districts

clarify that any person who has been

convicted of a felony and knowingly

manufactured in Kentucky shall not be subject to federal law or regulation; require firearm suppressors manufactured and sold in Kentucky to have the words "Made in Kentucky" clearly stamped on them; prohibit the state and local enforcement of a federal statute, order, rule, or regulation that does not exist under state law and that purports to regulate a firearm suppressor; allow citizens to report evidence of specified state and local entities' noncompliance to the Office of the Attorney General; require the Office of the Attorney General to investigate; prohibit specified entities from receiving state grant funds if found noncompliant; allow the Office of the Attorney General to file a petition for a writ of mandamus or apply for other appropriate equitable relief to compel compliance; provide that the Act applies to firearm suppressors that are manufactured on or after the effective date of the Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Second Amendment Restoration Act.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB687 (BR947)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to third-party payors. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; establish payment and response requirements for thirdparty payors; amend KRS 205.623 to require third-party payors to respond within 60 days of certain health care claim inquiries from the Department for Medicaid Services; create a new section of KRS Chapter 18A, and amend KRS 205.532 and 304.12-255, to require the state employee health plan, affiliated and associated entities of Medicaid managed care organizations, and health insurers to comply with third-party payor requirements.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB688 (BR1130) - S. Bratcher, A. Camuel, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to health care. Amend KRS 314.041, relating to registered nurse licensure, and KRS 314.051, relating to licensed practical nurse licensure, to permit rather than require the board to issue credentials; amend KRS 314.042 to require physicians collaborating with an advanced practice registered nurse to have an active and unrestricted license in Kentucky; amend KRS 314.109 to reduce the time from 90 to 30 days for a person under the jurisdiction of the board to notify the board of a conviction of certain misdemeanors or felonies; amend KRS 209.032, relating to employees of vulnerable adult service providers, to permit a state licensing board to query the cabinet for a validated substantiated finding of adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation against an individual under that licensing board's jurisdiction; create a new section of KRS

glucagon in the name of a school or to a trained individual: permit trained individuals to receive, possess, and administer undesignated glucagon during diabetic medical emergencies; permit schools to stock undesignated glucagon; provide for immunity from civil liability for any personal injury resulting from good faith actions to use undesignated glucagon to treat diabetic medical emergencies; amend KRS 158.832 to add medical conditions and medications to the definition of "medications"; amend KRS 158.834 to add medical conditions and medications that may be self-administered in schools with parental authorization and a prescription; amend KRS 158.836 to require students to permit bronchodilator rescue inhalers, nebulizers, glucagon, Solu-Cortef, or other prescribed medications in their possession or in the possession of school personnel; encourage schools to stock undesignated glucagon; and require policies and Good Samaritan protection for the good faith administration of glucagon, Solu-Cortef or other prescribed medications for authorized school employees.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 19, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 20, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar Feb 21, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 25, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 94-0

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## HB689 (BR1891)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to licensed and certified professions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 335B to create the offense of holding oneself out to be a member of a licensed or certified profession and set a penalty.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB690 (BR852) - P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to contracts. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to define "covenant not to compete" and "covered employee"; provide that an employer shall not require a covered employee to enter into a covenant not to compete; set forth civil remedy, damages that can be recovered, and limitations to bring claim; provide that the provisions must be posted by the employer; indicate that an employer shall not retaliate against an employee for bringing a civil action; establish application of provisions; amend KRS 336.990 to provide civil penalties.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment

#### Stevenson

AN ACT relating to coverage for the care of children.

Amend KRS 304.17A-258 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for certain formulas; to suspend the the coverage requirement for certain formulas as applied to qualified health plans if cost defrayment required by the state; amend KRS 304.17A-145 to require coverage for breastfeeding and lactation services without a prescription and in conjunction with the birth of each child; amend KRS 205.522 to require Medicaid to comply with the coverage requirements for formulas and breastfeeding support and equipment; amend KRS 205.560 to conform; amend KRS 205.6485, 164.2871, and 18A.225 to require KCHIP, self-insured employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary education institution, and the state employee health plan to comply with the coverage requirements for formulas and breastfeeding support and equipment; provide that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval, if necessary, and to comply with notice requirements; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

## HB692 (BR851)/LM - P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to employment. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 to define terms and make the termination of employment without cause unlawful; establish amount that may be recovered for wrongful discharge; specify when the employers' internal procedures are to be used.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Economic

Peb 26, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB693 (BR1668) - R. White

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 116.035 to provide that a voter shall be deemed a resident of a city within the county of his or her habitation if the voter has at least a 50 percent ownership in a property located within the city precinct.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

## HB694 (BR77)/AA/FN - J. Petrie, A. Bowling, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to Teachers' Retirement System benefit funding. Create a new section of KRS 161.220 to 161.716, relating to the Teachers' 100%, then the employer funding for retiree health shall be used to pay down the unfunded liability of the TRS pension fund; require that if the actuarial funding level of the TRS retiree health fund falls below 95%, then the employer funding shall be restored to the retiree health fund until the retiree health fund is 100% funded; amend KRS 161.540, 161.550, and 161.675 to provide that the TRS board of trustees shall not recommend changes to the General Assembly to reduce employee or employer funding for retiree health or reduce board adopted charges under the shared responsibility provisions for health benefits for retirees under the age of 65 until the pension and retiree health funds are each 100% funded; amend KRS 161.420 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 21, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H); to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Feb 26, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 77-18

Feb 27, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## **HB695 (BR280)** - A. Bowling, J. Petrie, J. Bray

AN ACT relating to the Medicaid program and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 205.5372 to prohibit the Department for Medicaid Services from making any change to the Medicaid program without authorization from the General Assembly to do so; amend KRS 205.460 and 205.520 to conform; amend KRS 205.5371 to authorize the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to submit a community engagement waiver for able-bodied Medicaid beneficiaries without dependents; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to establish the Kentucky Medicaid rebate sequestration fund as a restricted fund within the Finance and Administration Cabinet; require all money received by the Department for Medicaid Services as rebates from pharmaceutical drug manufacturers to be deposited into the Kentucky Medicaid rebate sequestration fund; amend KRS 205.240 to conform; amend KRS 205.525 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to submit a copy of any waiver renewal application to the Legislative Research Commission concurrent with submission of the application to a federal agency; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 205.6328 to establish reporting requirements for the Department for Medicaid Services and Medicaid managed care organizations: create a new sections of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Department for Medicaid Services to retain beneficiaries' data for at least seven years after the beneficiary is disenrolled from the Medicaid program; require the Department for Medicaid Services and Medicaid managed care organizations to cover up to 100 units of psychoeducational

158.830 to 158.838 to define terms; permit health care practitioners to prescribe and dispense undesignated (H)

HB691 (BR849)/AA/HM/LM/SP - P.

Retirement System (TRS), to require that once the TRS retiree health fund has an actuarial funding level of at least services per Medicaid beneficiary per year; create a new section of KRS Chapter 194A to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to notify the Legislative Research Commission of any anticipated barriers to implementing Medicaid-related legislation; direct the Department for Medicaid Services to reinstate all prior authorization requirements for behavioral health services that were in place on January 1, 2020; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to procure new Medicaid managed care contracts with an effective date of no later than January 1, 2027; direct Medicaid managed care organizations to collaborate on the development of a behavioral health and substance use disorder treatment services scorecard; require behavioral health and substance use disorder treatment services scorecard to be accessible by the public on each Medicaid managed care organization's website no later than December 31, 2025; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 1st reading ; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 2nd reading ; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

### HB696 (BR975)/LM - K. Upchurch

AN ACT relating to motorboats. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 132 to exempt federally documented vessels from property taxation; create new sections of KRS Chapter 235 to establish the waterway usage fee and the distribution of revenue generated from the fee; establish the waterway usage fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 148 to establish the Kentucky lakes and rivers tourism fund; require grants of money from the fund to go to marinas qualifying through an application process; amend KRS 235.990 to establish a penalty for nonpayment of the waterway usage fee; amend KRS 235.999 and 150.160 to distribute the money collected from the penalty; amend KRS 132.020 and 132.200 to make conforming changes; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB697 (BR1945) - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to residual wastes. Amend KRS 224.43-350 to prohibit the Energy and Environment Cabinet from allowing metallurgic, industrial solid waste from being treated as a residual solid waste regardless of whether the waste is reprocessed in the solid waste facility's manufacturing or industrial processes.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H) AN ACT relating to the environmental remediation fee.

Amend KRS 224.43-500 to define "residual waste facility"; increase the environmental remediation fee from \$1.75 to \$2; require that the fee collected from residual waste facilities be returned to the county where the facility is located; amend KRS 224.43-505 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

### HB699 (BR19) - DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to elections. Amend KRS 118.176 to require the county board of elections or the State Board of Elections to notify a candidate and the appropriate certifying authority that the candidate fails to meet the jurisdictional or party affiliation requirements for the office sought; require that the notification be made by the first Friday after the candidate filing deadline; require that the certifying authority shall not certify any candidate that fails to meet requirements; provide that a candidate whose bona fides are questioned may appeal a certifying authority's decision to the appropriate Circuit Court; require that appeals be filed by the certification date for candidates; amend KRS to change the deadline for the certification of candidates to the third Friday after the filing deadline for a primary election; amend KRS 118.995 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

## HB700 (BR447)/CI - J. Bray, D. Hale

AN ACT relating to cervids.

Amend KRS 150.740 and 257.550 to prohibit the export of a cervid carcass or wild cervid outside of a chronic wasting disease surveillance zone; prohibit the export of a captive cervid outside of a 10-mile radius of a chronic wasting disease positive captive cervid facility; establish exemptions to the movement of cervid parts; allow breeding of captive cervids inside the facility in which the cervid is housed; require that the chronic wasting disease surveillance zone remain disease free for a period of five years; exempt prior chronic wasting disease positive detections from restrictions.

## HB700 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/CI - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 150.730 to allow the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to amend existing administrative regulations relating to fencing requirements for captive cervids; amend KRS 150.740 and 257.550 to facility has not imported a cervid or cervid carcass from a chronic wasting disease positive facility and has no chronic wasting disease positive detections; EMERGENCY. HCA1(K. King) - Make title amendment.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor

Recreation (H) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

Substitute (1) and Committee Amendment (1-title)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

## HB701 (BR329) - A. Bowling, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to blockchain digital assets.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 369 to define terms relating to blockchain technology; allow individuals to use digital assets and self-hosted wallets; prohibit local zoning changes that discriminate against a digital asset mining business; provide guidelines for operation of a node; amend KRS 286.11-007 to exclude home digital asset mining, digital asset mining business, and the operation of a node from money transmitter license requirements; amend KRS 292.340 to provide that digital asset mining or staking as a service shall not be deemed to be offering or selling a security.

## HB701 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove references to "digital asset mining," "digital asset mining as a service," "digital asset mining business," and "home digital asset mining"; delete section 3 relating to local zoning prohibitions.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 27, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2025

Feb 28, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

## HB702 (BR1740) - A. Bowling

AN ACT relating to sibling visitation. Amend KRS 405.021 to allow a sibling to petition for reasonable visitation rights.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

### HB703 (BR361) - M. Dossett, R. Bivens

AN ACT relating to farmland retention. Amend KRS 154.60-040 to define terms; create the Farmland Retention Tax Credit Program; establish a tax credit for seller of agricultural land; amend KRS 141.3841, 131.190, 154.60-005, and 154.60-020 to conform; sunset the program on December 31, 2031. Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB704 (BR449) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to civil actions. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 454 to provide definitions and establish procedures for courts to dismiss civil actions that are determined to be harassing and malicious; allow for court costs and attorney fees to be awarded to the prevailing party; allow courts to impose filing restrictions upon any plaintiff found to be an abusive civil action plaintiff; establish procedures to allow abusive civil action plaintiffs to file suit; allow for an immediate appeal as a matter of right.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB705 (BR904)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to protective orders. Amend KRS 403.725 and 456.030 to require the court of justice to create protocols to allow law enforcement officers to assist victims in filing a petition for an order of protection; amend KRS 403.720 to expand the definition of "domestic violence and abuse"; amend KRS 456.010 to expand the definition of dating violence and abuse; amend KRS 403.270, 403.280, 403.315, 403.220 and 403.340 to remove the presumption in favor of joint custody and equal parenting time; create new sections of KRS Chapter 454 to provide definitions and establish procedures for courts to dismiss civil actions that are determined to be harassing and malicious; allow court costs and attorney fees to be awarded to the prevailing party; allow courts to impose filing restrictions upon any plaintiff found to be an abusive civil action plaintiff; establish procedures to allow abusive civil action plaintiffs to file suit; allow for an immediate appeal as a matter of right.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB706 (BR1785) - L. Willner, M. Marzian, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to health education. Repeal and reenact KRS 158.1415 to require each school district to provide healthy relationship education instruction to all public school students; establish minimum requirements for the instruction; establish minimum requirements for the healthy relationship curricula and instructional materials; prohibit a school or school district from restricting the ability of an instructor to answer a question related to the instruction; require that a school make the healthy relationship curricula and instructional materials available upon the request of a parent or guardian and establish a procedure for a parent or guardian to opt a student out of the instruction; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to implement, administer, and enforce this

## HB698 (BR1192)/LM - R. Raymer

provide exemptions for a cervid carcass; exempt a captive cervid facility with a buffer zone of at least 30 feet if the

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

section; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations requiring that each school district submit a report on healthy relationship instruction in the district biennially; require the Kentucky Department of Education to maintain a list of recommended healthy relationship curricula and instructional materials; permit a parent or guardian to file an enforcement action in Circuit Court; provide that the Act may be cited as the Education for Healthy Youth Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB707 (BR1340) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to regional industrial taxing districts.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; allow two or more local governments to form a regional industrial taxing district; establish requirements for an economic development project in a regional industrial taxing district; allow the district to levy a special ad valorem tax; allow local governments to impose an occupational license fee on businesses, trades, and professions performed, rendered, or conducted within a regional industrial taxing district; establish requirements for the occupational license fee and the revenues collected; require the establishment of a board as part of the interlocal agreement.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB708 (BR1642) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to small business. Amend KRS 154.12-330 to make technical corrections.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

## HB709 (BR1643) - D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to information technology.

Amend KRS 42.032 to make technical corrections and remove an outdated deadline.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

## HB710 (BR1961) - T. Smith

AN ACT relating to physicians. Amend KRS 311.586 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Health Services (H); 1st reading ; returned to Health Services (H); reassigned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education.

Amend KRS 164.001 to remove the definition of "committee" and "P-16 council"; amend KRS 164.013 to conform; amend KRS 164.020 to remove the Council on Postsecondary Education's ability to postpone approval of new programs due to an institution's unmet equal educational opportunity goals; amend KRS 164.0211 to attach the Board of Student Body Presidents to the Council on Postsecondary Education for administration and organization purposes; amend KRS 164.321 to require Senate confirmation of gubernatorial appointees to the boards of regents of the comprehensive universities and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System prior to an appointee serving on a board: amend various other sections to conform; repeal KRS 164.004, 164.0285, 164.0286, 164.0287, 164.0288, and 164.033.

## HB711 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions, except remove the definition of "remedial education"; remove the requirement that members of the board of regents appointed by the Governor be confirmed prior to serving.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules

HB712 (BR279)/LM - D. Gordon, J. Petrie, D. Hale, T. Huff, S. Lewis

AN ACT relating to the compensation of coroners and deputy corners. Amend KRS 64.185 to establish a salary schedule for coroners and

increase the minimum compensation for deputy coroners; require the Department for Local Government to certify the population group within the salary schedule and the years of service for each coroner assuming office; provide for adjustments to compensation for part-time employment and the consumer price index; allow additional compensation for training courses completed; require an annual cost of living adjustment to be granted to each deputy coroner's salary; require the fiscal court to pay for operational expenses, post-mortem bags, mortuary equipment, and training courses; EFFECTIVE January 4, 2027.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

## HB713 (BR1954)/AA - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to hazardous duty coverage in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System.

Amend KRS 61.592 to redefine "hazardous position" to include Department of Kentucky State Police Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB714 (BR109)/AA - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for state and county employees in hazardous positions.

Create a new section of KRS 16.505 to 16.652 to change the retirement benefits for members participating in the State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or in a hazardous position in either the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) or County Employees Retirement System (CERS) who are hired after January 1, 2014, but before January 1, 2026, so that, in lieu of continued participation in the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits), these members receive the benefits provided to members in a hazardous position who began participating immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits); for those eligible hazardous employees, create a presumption that service credit in a hazardous position earned after January 1, 2014, is service credit earned immediately prior to January 1, 2014; for eligible hazardous members transitioning to Tier 2, require that accumulated contributions in the hybrid cash balance plan remain in the member's account, but any employer credit be transferred to the retirement allowance account; allow a member in a hazardous position subject to a change from Tier 3 to Tier 2 benefits to make a one-time election to opt out of the change of benefits within 30 days; establish exclusions; amend KRS 16.576, 16.577, 16.578, 16.582, 61.546, 61.552, 61.597, 61.615, 78.5512, 78.5514, 78.5524, 78.5528, and 78.616 to grant to members in a hazardous position who begin participating after January 1, 2026, or whose participation is presumed under Section1of this Act to begin immediately prior to January 1 2014, the same benefits provided to members whose participation began immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits), including death and disability benefits, benefit factors and service credit that includes service credit for unused sick leave, and eligibility for early retirement and service purchases; make technical corrections; amend KRS 16.583 and 78.5516 to limit the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits) only to members participating in SPRS or in hazardous positions in KERS or CERS who make an election to opt out of Tier 2 benefits under Section 1 of this Act or who make an election, prior to the effective date of the Act, under KRS 61.5955; amend KRS 61.5955 to provide that only a member in a nonhazardous position who began participating in KERS or CERS as a Tier 2 member may elect to receive Tier 3 benefits in the hvbrid cash balance plan in lieu of Tier 2 benefits; amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to amend definitions of various terms to conform and make technical changes; amend KRS 16.560, 61.575, and 78.640 to allow interest credited on the accounts of members participating in SPRS or in a hazardous position in KERS or CERS to be adjusted to conform; amend KRS 61.592

payment to convert nonhazardous service to hazardous service; amend KRS 61.680 to require that a member who is eligible under Section 1 of this Act and who has nonhazardous service credit as a Tier 3 member of either KERS or CERS to have his or her nonhazardous and hazardous service consolidated to determine eligibility and benefits; amend KRS 78.545 to add Section 1 of this Act as one of the provisions that shall be administered for the CERS in the same manner as for the KERS.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB715 (BR1885) - A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to communications with elected officials.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 prohibiting public entities from requiring, compelling, or incentivizing program participants to communicate with elected officials with a specific political message.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

#### HB716 (BR1920)/CI/LM - S. Dietz

AN ACT relating to sex offender registration.

Amend KRS 17.500 to include various forms of identification in the definition of "registrant information"; amend KRS 17.510 to reduce the amount of time allowed for a registrant to notify probation and parole of a registrant's change of address from five days to three days; require a registrant to report to probation and parole in-person on a semiannual or quarterly basis; requires the Commonwealth to recognize offenses committed by a person in the District of Columbia or on land recognized as belonging to an Indian tribe; amend KRS 17.520 to include any degree of rape, any degree of sodomy, incest under KRS 530.020(b) or (c), sexual abuse in the first degree under KRS 510.110(1)(b)2., or felony attempt to commit, conspiracy to commit, or solicitation to commit any of those offenses as offenses that require lifetime registration; provide that all other registrants are required to register for 25 years; amend KRS 17.546 to provide that a registrant who is a minor may use electronic communications to communicate with or gather information about other minors under certain conditions; amend KRS 17.580 to require the Department of Kentucky State Police to display information regarding a registrant's employment and vehicle information on the sex offender registry website on or before January 1, 2027; make technical corrections.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB717 (BR198) - C. Aull

HB711 (BR272) - S. Baker, J. Tipton, J. Decker

forensic lab and crime scene personnel.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to

and 78.5520 to exempt only hazardous members who opt out of receiving Tier 2 benefits from eligibility for an employer

AN ACT relating to establishing a firstgeneration homebuyer trust fund and

#### program.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 198A to define terms; establish the firstgeneration homebuyer trust fund, establish eligible activities and use of trust fund; require Kentucky Housing Corporation to submit annual reports to the Legislative Research Commission.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB718 (BR1660) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to dependent, neglected, or abused children. Amend KRS 620.140 to expand the ability for a dependent, neglected, or abused youth to request to have his or her commitment extended or reinstated beyond the age of 18.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

#### HB719 (BR1344) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to school counselors and making an appropriation therefor. Appropriate necessary funds to the SEEK Program budget unit to provide financial assistance to local school districts for employment of school counselors; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB720 (BR987) - M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to disposition of property.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 394 to enact the Uniform Electronic Wills Act; define terms; establish the applicability of electronic wills; address the effect of a will electronically executed in another jurisdiction; establish requirements for executing and revoking an electronic will; address records that are not executed in compliance with the requirements for an electronic will; provide requirements for an electronic will to be self-proving; allow for certified paper copies of an electronic will; create new sections of KRS Chapter 394 to enact the Uniform Electronic Estate Planning Documents Act; define terms; establish that a non-testamentary estate planning document or a signature on a non-testamentary estate planning document may not be denied legal effect or enforceability solely because it is in electronic form; provide that an electronic record of a document satisfies a requirement for a non-testamentary estate planning document to be in writing; establish notarization, acknowledgment, and verification requirements; create new sections of KRS Chapter 386 to enact the Kentucky Qualified Dispositions in Trust Act; define terms; establish requirements for qualified affidavit; prohibit claims by creditors against property subject to a qualified disposition to a qualified trust except under limited circumstances:

spouse or former spouse, or a written agreement, judgment, or order of a court for division of marital property of a spouse or former spouse; limit powers and rights of transferor to those conferred by the qualified trust; establish rules for avoiding a qualified disposition to a qualified trust; address rights of trustee and beneficiary when a qualified disposition has been avoided; provide that a spendthrift provision acts as a restriction on the transferor's beneficial interest in the trust under law other than bankruptcy law; enumerate persons who may not act as a qualified trustee; allow a transferor to appoint trust advisors; provide for the appointment of a successor trustee in certain circumstances; provide that the inclusion of certain provisions in the qualified trust instrument does not deem the trust to be revocable; application to trusts and dispositions of property on or after effective date of Act; establish a new subchapter of KRS Chapter 386B and create new sections to enact the Uniform Directed Trust Act: define terms: establish that Act does not apply to powers of appointment; subject trust directors to same rules, liabilities, and fiduciary duties as trustees; enumerate powers of trust director and responsibilities of trustee in a trust under direction; provide for liability of trust director for breach of trust; time limitation for breach of trust action; require communication of information between trustees and trust directors: establish a new subchapter of KRS Chapter 386B and create new sections to enact the Uniform Trust Decanting Act; define terms; applicability of provisions; require fiduciaries to act in accordance with fiduciary duties in exercising trust decanting power; specify notice requirements prior to exercise of the decanting power; address authority to represent and bind or another person under a first-trust instrument; allow court intervention in disputes regarding the exercise of the decanting power; require an exercise of the decanting power to be made in a record signed by an authorized fiduciary; allow an authorized fiduciary with expanded distributive discretion over the principal of a first trust to exercise decanting power over the principal of the first trust; specify trust provisions and actions permissible when property is decanted to a second trust by such a fiduciary; allow an authorized fiduciary with limited distributive discretion over the principal of a first trust to exercising decanting power over the principal of the first rust; specify trust provisions and actions permissible when property is decanted to a second trust by such a fiduciary; establish rules for decanting to a special needs trust; establish rules to protect charitable trust interests; provide for limitations on decanting power through restrictions in a first-trust instrument; prohibit decanting to a second trust to increase fiduciary compensation unless beneficiaries of the second trust agree to the increase or it is approved by a court; address fiduciary compensation and

provide for limitations on authority of authorized fiduciary to exercise decanting power to modify provisions

liability in a second-trust instrument;

transfers of property affecting tax liability; specify requirements for duration of a second trust; allow authorized fiduciary to exercise decanting power regardless of whether the fiduciary could have made or would have been compelled to make a discretionary distribution under discretionary distribution standard of the first trust; provide for circumstances where decanting power is effective even if second trust does not comply in part with the provisions of the Act; provide for decanting powers to an animal trust; provide that a settlor of a first trust is deemed to be settlor of first trust; establish rules for disposition of laterdiscovered property; provide that obligations enforceable against first trust are enforceable to same extent against second trust; require provisions to be applied and construed so as to promote uniformity among states; conform to federal requirements related to electronic signatures and records; amend and repeal various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to conform; establish short titles.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB721 (BR1959) - P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to the limited liability entity tax.

Amend KRS 141.0401 to prevent entities doing business in Kentucky with gross receipts of less than \$100,000 from paying the limited liability entity tax for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB722 (BR1628) - P. Flannery

AN ACT relating to local government. Amend KRS 67.160 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

### HB723 (BR1939) - R. Dotson

AN ACT relating to gender. Create a new section to KRS Chapter 2 to officially recognize that a person has only one gender, male or female.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB724 (BR1948) - R. Dotson, R. Duvall

## AN ACT relating to interscholastic extracurricular activities.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to authorize participation in a public school interscholastic extracurricular activity by an at-home private school student; establish criteria for participation; require a parent, guardian, or teacher of an at-home private school public school student who does not make academic progress at a public school and withdraws and enters an athome private school program ineligible for participation in an interscholastic activity for the remainder of the school year; provide that the Act may be cited as the Play Fair Kentucky Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB725 (BR225) - J. Bauman

AN ACT relating to mental health parity and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 304.17A-661 to require insurers to submit the annual report relating to mental health parity requirements to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on Health Services; require the annual report be submitted by June 1; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB726 (BR1177) - D. Gordon, N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to inheritance tax exemptions.

Amend KRS 140.080 to exempt Class B beneficiaries from inheritance taxation when receiving property from a decendent who died on or after January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB727 (BR1168) - K. Holloway, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to disaster recovery, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Appropriate necessary funds from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund to the WKSAFE Fund to be distributed to the Graves County Fiscal Court to support the replacement of the Graves County Jail; stipulate that the funding shall be reimbursed to the Commonwealth should the recipient receive moneys from any other source; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB728 (BR1910) - K. Holloway

AN ACT relating to school resource officers.

Amend KRS 158.4414 to provide up to \$20,000 to school districts for each school that employs an on-site full-time certified school resource officer; amend KRS 158.4431 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

provide that limitations on actions by creditors do not apply to past due child support, past due maintenance to a relating to removal or replacement of the fiduciary; set limitations for exercise of the decanting power with respect to student participating in a public school interscholastic activity to verify the student's academic progress; declare a

HB729 (BR1533)/LM - A. Camuel, K. Holloway

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the exemption of state and local excise, sales, and use taxes from food, food ingredients, prescription drugs, and residential and on-farm utilities.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt from state and local excise, sales, and use taxes food, food ingredients, prescription drugs, residential utilities, and on-farm utilities; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

### HB730 (BR1861) - K. Holloway, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to local correctional facilities.

Amend KRS 441.420 to allow for local correctional facilities to be constructed with fewer than 150 prisoner beds under certain conditions.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

#### HB731 (BR1849) - K. Holloway

AN ACT relating to legislative ethics. Create new section in KRS 6.601 to 6.849 to prohibit sexual harassment by any legislator or legislative agent to a legislator, legislative, or legislative branch employee; define "sexual harassment."

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from State Government (H); 1st reading ; returned to State Government (H); reassigned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB732 (BR1575) - M. Imes

AN ACT establishing the School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers Program.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 157 to define terms; establish the School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers Program to provide eligible classroom teachers with financial and technical support in purchasing school supplies; authorize the Kentucky Board of Education to adopt policies and promulgate administrative regulations necessary to administer the program; require the Kentucky Department of Education to enter into contracts for an online commerce platform and to identify online school supplies vendors for the program; provide that the Act may be cited as the School Supplies for Kentucky Teachers Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and AN ACT relating to abandoned property.

Amend KRS 393A.020 to remove the exemption for mineral proceeds from the requirements of the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB734 (BR296) - M. Koch

AN ACT relating to regulated beverages.

Amend KRS 241.010 to define "cannabinoid" and "cannabis-infused beverage"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 243 to indicate that the Department for Public Health regulates the manufacture, distribution, and retail sale of cannabis-infused beverages containing cannabinoids; make technical corrections; amend KRS 217.039, 243.034, and 243.0341 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H); 1st reading ; returned to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB735 (BR937) - M. Koch

AN ACT relating to alcoholic beverages.

Amend KRS 243.036 to allow a licensed auctioneer to hold a special temporary alcoholic beverage auction license; establish duties, privileges, and limitations for auctioneers who hold the license; suspend the auctioneer's special temporary alcoholic beverage auction license if the person ceases to be a licensed auctioneer; make a special temporary alcoholic beverage auction license valid for one year; create a new section of KRS Chapter 330, relating to auctioneer licensing, to allow a licensed auctioneer to obtain a special temporary alcoholic beverage auction license; make an auctioneer whose alcohol license is suspended or revoked subject to potential discipline by the auctioneer board; prohibit the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control from taking any action against an auctioneer's regular license; allow the auction of alcoholic beverages either separately or as a part of another auction; amend KRS 243.033 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB736 (BR1964) - M. Koch

AN ACT relating to the protection of veterans' benefits.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 40 to limit the compensation for advising or assisting with veterans' benefits; prohibit persons seeking compensation or aggressively soliciting business, gaining access to personal medical, financial, or benefits log-in or password information, charging late fees, and utilizing a doctor with whom they have an employment or business relationship; limit the fee for representation; provide that attorneys and law firms seeking to receive compensation for advising, assisting, or consulting any individual with any veterans' benefits matter shall be governed by limitations set forth in 38 C.F.R. sec. 14.636.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Veterans, Military

Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB737 (BR1962) - F. Rabourn, S. Doan, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to eliminating nontraditional instruction. Amend KRS 158.070 to remove the

authorization for nontraditional instruction.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB738 (BR1469)/AA/FN - P. Griffee, T. Huff

AN ACT relating to state personnel. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 64 to allow the State Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Secretary of State, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Attorney General to employ persons exempt from approval requirements the classified service as necessary for advice and to carry out policy; permit the State Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Secretary of State, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Attorney General to increase, by executive order the salary of any classified employee with status to the midpoint of the grade of the employee's classification.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government

(H)

## HB739 (BR967) - S. Witten

AN ACT relating to sales tax rebates for entertainment events.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to define terms; establish a sales tax rebate and process for venues which have entertainment events that are qualifying attractions; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB740 (BR1890)/CI - S. Witten

AN ACT relating to crime victim notification and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 27A to require the Administrative Office

establish authority to contract with a third-party vendor if required in compliance with the procurement process of the Administrative Office of the Courts; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB741 (BR1361) - J. Bray, J. Petrie, A. Bowling

AN ACT relating to public water and wastewater systems.

Amend KRS 224A.320 to require that eligible funding recipients for the Kentucky Water and Wastewater Assistance for Troubled or Economically Restrained Systems (WWATERS) Program meet three or more of the eligibility criteria instead of one; require that a funding application for a capital construction project include cost and timeline estimates prepared and signed by a licensed professional engineer; allow the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority board to evaluate and score funding applications for proposed projects in phases; remove the funding evaluation criteria categories of current accounts payable turnover ratio and current days' sales in accounts receivable ratio; remove the requirement from the evaluation criteria that the applicant's receipt of a notice of violation of drinking water or other water quality standards occur in the past year; add to the funding evaluation criteria that the funding applicant previously received funding through the program for a prior phase of the proposed project.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

### HB742 (BR1220)/CI - M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to fantasy contests. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 230 to authorize the corporation to regulate the conduct of fantasy contest operators; require the use of geolocation technology; require fantasy contest operators to implement procedures to prevent fraud, abuse, and money laundering; require notification to the corporation for a confirmed breach of a sport's governing body's internal rules and codes of conduct, conduct that corrupts any outcome, and confirmed illegal activities; establish licensing requirements for a fantasy contest operator; allow the corporation to promulgate administrative regulations to establish additional qualifications and requirements for licensing to preserve the integrity and security of fantasy contests; prohibit a license from being issued to a person that has been convicted of a felony, crime involving illegal gaming or gambling, or any crime involving theft or fraud; require a fantasy contest operator to conduct an independent audit; require a fantasy contest operator to be at least 18 years old; require the corporation to investigate all reasonable allegations of prohibited conduct; require each fantasy contest

Secondary Education (H)

HB733 (BR1953) - C. Freeland

for advising, assisting, or consulting on a veterans' benefits matter from utilizing international call or data centers, directly

of the Courts to establish and maintain a crime victim notification system; establish requirements of the system; operator to include a statement regarding obtaining assistance with realmoney gaming problems on the

operator's website or mobile application; prohibit a fantasy contest operator from paying any price or award to a person who is on the self-exclusion list; create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to establish the fantasy contest administration fund from fantasy contest taxes and fees; create a new section of KRS Chapter 138 to define "adjusted gross fantasy contest receipts" and impose a tax on fantasy contests; amend KRS 243.500, 525.090, 528.010, 528.070 to exempt fantasy contests; amend KRS 68.182, 91.202, 92.282, 230.215, 230.225, 230.232, 230.260 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Fantasy Sports Consumer Protection Act; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

## HB743 (BR1957) - T. Truett

AN ACT relating to education. Amend KRS 156.690 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

### HB744 (BR1386) - R. White

AN ACT relating to county payments. Amend KRS 68.020 to permit a county treasurer to make authorized payments by means of electronic funds transfers; Amend KRS 68.275 to permit a standing order for county payments to include payments made to regular vendors of the county.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HB745 (BR1414)/AA/HM/LM/SP - C. Massaroni, J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to public health and safety.

Amend KRS 214.450 to define "autologous donation" and "directed donation"; amend KRS 214.452 to require blood establishments to test for spike proteins, antibodies to the nucleocapsid protein on the SARS-CoV-2 virus, and synthetic mRNA; provide that a person shall not be compelled to donate blood; require blood establishments to inform donors of the potential uses for donations; require blood to be sold to hospitals before any other entity; prohibit blood from sale for pharmaceutical production if there is a hospital blood shortage; amend KRS 214.454 to conform and make technical corrections; amend KRS 214.456 to permit any person to make an autologous or a directed donation of blood; prohibit restrictions on making autologous or directed donations; amend KRS 214.458 to add the mRNA status of blood and treatment or therapy received to the label of blood donated; add

blood; amend KRS 214.464 to include additional tests that a patient is required to be notified about in an emergency transfusion; create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to prohibit state agencies from acquiring or maintaining a list of the vaccination status of citizens; create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to require hospitals to invest in blood transfusion prevention strategies and to establish a task force for bloodless medicine and surgery by January 1, 2026; create a new section of Subchapter 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require all health benefit plans to cover any autologous or directed transfusion of blood; amend KRS 205.522 to require Medicaid coverage of any autologous or a directed transfusion of blood; amend KRS 18A.225 to require state health benefit plans coverage of any autologous or directed transfusion of blood; apply coverage mandates to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; require the Department for Medicaid Services or the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to request any necessary federal approval for coverage within 90 days of the effective date of this Act; require a copy of any federal approval requested to the Legislative Research Commission; require appropriate infrastructure to be established by health facilities, services, and providers within 90 days of the effective date of the applicable section of the Act; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB746 (BR1799) - J. Bauman

AN ACT relating to air pollution control.

Amend KRS 77.070 to include gender-neutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

HB747 (BR1936)/CI/LM - M. Proctor, D. Meade

AN ACT relating to the fraudulent sale or lease of real property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 514 to establish the offense of fraudulent sale or lease of real property.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB748 (BR1792) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to mental health parity and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 304.17A-661 to require that annual mental health parity reports be submitted to the Legislative Research Commission on or before June 1 of each year for referral to certain committees and be published by the insurance commissioner on the Department of Insurance's website; authorize the Attorney General to enforce the mental health parity law; establish duties, directly injured by a violation or likely violation of the mental health parity law; establish duties, remedies, and penalties for a private right of action under the mental health parity law; establish construction clauses; authorize the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations for proper enforcement of mental health parity law; amend KRS 205.522 to require the Department for Medicaid Services, Medicaid managed care organizations, and the state' medical assistance program to comply with mental health parity law; require the Department for Medicaid Services or the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to obtain federal approval, if necessary, and comply with notice requirements; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Banking &

Insurance (H)

## HB749 (BR1346) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to the family child care homes.

Amend KRS 199.894 to define "Child Care and Development Fund" and "Child Care Assistance Program"; apply definitions to Section 2 of the Act; amend KRS 199.8982 to require that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services allow certified family child-care home providers to participate in the child care assistance program and establish requirements related to a provider's children in the program and other nonrelative children of the provider that are served in the program.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

## HB750 (BR1952) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to student financial aid.

Amend KRS 164.767 to restrict eligibility for any program authorized under KRS 164.740 to 164.790 to exclude any individual who is a violent offender or who has been convicted of a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor and incarcerated individuals convicted of designated crimes; direct KHEAA to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the eligibility restrictions; amend KRS 164.7874 to delete the requirement that an eligible high school student and eligible postsecondary student not be a convicted felon for KEES eligibility purposes.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 27, 2025 - to Postsecondary Education (H)

## HB751 (BR1900) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky related to reproductive rights.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to establish an

prohibit if medically needed to protect a pregnant patient's life or physical or mental health; forbid discrimination in enforcement of this right; prohibit prosecution of an individual, or a person helping a pregnant individual, for exercising the right to reproductive freedom; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const.

Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

## HB752 (BR1031) - T. Roberts, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to salaries of school administrators.

Amend KRS 160.350 to require, beginning July 1, 2025, any new or renewal contract of a superintendent shall include a provision to review and adjust the total salary paid and benefits provided at the end of every two contract years; limit the total salary and benefits of a school district superintendent to three times the median Rank I salary on the school district's salary schedule if no less than 50 percent of students in the district are proficient or above, and to two times the median if less than 50 percent are proficient or above; provide that no limit to the superintendent salary applies if 75 percent or more students are proficient or above; create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to require, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, the limitation of salary paid to administrator positions using criteria similar to that established for the superintendent; amend KRS 157.350 to provide that in order to be eligible to receive support education excellence in Kentucky funds a school district must compensate all administrators in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of this Act and ensure that the annual aggregate administrator salaries for the district do not exceed ten percent of the total district budget; amend KRS 156.070 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

### HB753 (BR1430)/LM - T. Roberts

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to prohibited criminal acts.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit child pornography and any form of federally defined racketeering in this state and establish penalties for violations; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental

#### HB754 (BR1834) - T. Roberts

Affairs (H)

AN ACT relating to the funding of lawsuits instituted by the Commonwealth.

requirements for health facilities, health services, and health care providers to provide patient information on donated remedies, and penalties for enforcement by the Attorney General; authorize a private cause of action by any person individual right to reproductive freedom; allow the Commonwealth to regulate abortion after fetal viability, but not

Create a new section of KRS Chapter

48 to prohibit an executive branch official from expending any appropriations or funds, including the use of state time or resources to challenge any action of the federal government without the written consent of the Attorney General; require the Attorney General to represent the Commonwealth in all litigation pertaining to federal government actions; prohibit the Governor from taking a position on legal actions against the federal government without the written consent of the Attorney General; allow the Attorney General to bring a civil action to enjoin the Governor or an executive branch official alleged to have violated this Act; require the office of the Governor or an executive branch official reimburse the Attorney General for any costs involving the lawsuit if the Governor or an executive branch official is found to have violated this Act: allow for removal of an executive branch official found to have violated this Act; waive immunity under certain conditions.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

## HB755 (BR1924)/CI - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to falsely reporting an incident.

Amend KRS 519.040 to enhance the offense classification and penalty for giving false information to a law enforcement officer with the intent to implicate someone else under specified circumstances.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB756 (BR1023)/LM - T. Roberts, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to limits on government spending and taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to create spending limits and restrictions on imposing new taxes, tax rate increases, fees, or extension of expiring taxes.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB757 (BR1182)/LM - N. Kulkarni, B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to prevailing wage. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 to require the Office of Kentucky Center for Statistics to establish a certified living wage based on occupation type and geographic area utilizing data from the Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics if the employer receives certain financial incentives from local, state, or federal agencies; amend KRS 151B.133 to require the Office of Kentucky Center for Statistics to establish a certified living wage by July 1 and every year thereafter; amend KRS 337.990 to establish civil penalties.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB758 (BR1514) - N. Kulkarni, B. McCool

AN ACT relating to career and technical education.

Amend KRS 157.069 to apportion supplemental funds for career and technical education to be 75 percent for enrollment-based funding and 25 percent for incentive-based funding; modify incentives to permit two incentives per student; require "concentrator" status as the first incentive before eligibility for a second incentive.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and

Secondary Education (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Primary

and Secondary Education (H); 1st reading ; returned to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB759 (BR1318)/CI - A. Moore, A. Donworth, D. Grossberg, E. Hancock, M. Lehman, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to abortion. Amend KRS 311.720, 311.7701, and 311.781 to define terms; amend KRS 311.723, 311.725, 311.727, 311.732, 311.7706, 311.772, 311.780, and 311.782 to allow an abortion when the unborn child has a lethal fetal anomaly and delineate additional medical circumstances for the performance of an abortion; allow an abortion when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest and the gestational age of the fetus is 22 weeks or less; amend KRS 311.800 to provide for an abortion in a publicly owned hospital under certain circumstances; amend KRS 213.101 to add rape or incest to the reporting requirement; amend KRS 311.990 to conform; repeal KRS 311.735, relating to notice to a spouse; provide that the Act may be cited as the Compassionate Care Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB760 (BR1756) - A. Camuel Feb 20-WITHDRAWN

HB761 (BR1930)/LM - B. Wesley, S. Sharp, R. Dotson, R. Duvall, C. Fugate, M. Pollock, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to relating to motor vehicle licensing and registration procedures.

Amend KRS 186.020 to allow members of the National Guard or Reserves that are stationed or assigned to a base or location outside the boundaries of the United States, to renew their registration within 30 days of his or her return; allow an individual serving in the United States Armed Forces, the National Guard, or Reserves to renew their motor vehicle registration the current motor vehicle registration expires: require the applicant to provide military orders documenting the need for early vehicle registration; amend KRS 186.416 to allow an individual serving in the United States Armed Forces, the National Guard, or Reserves or their spouse to renew their operator's license up to 280 days prior to its expiration if the person will be outside the boundaries of the Commonwealth when the operator's license expires; require the applicant to provide military orders documenting the need for early operator's license renewal; allows a resident of the National Guard or Reserves that has been stationed or assigned to a base or other location outside the boundaries of the Commonwealth to renew his or her operator's license within 90 days of returning to the Commonwealth.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB762 (BR1803) - C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Compact.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 313 to adopt the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Compact; declare the intent and purpose of the compact; define terms; establish conditions under which an individual can practice in a remote state; authorize a home state to impose adverse action against an individual's license issued by the home state: authorize a member state's licensing authority to issue subpoenas for hearings and investigations as well as cease and desist orders to restrict, suspend, or revoke an individual's privilege to practice in the state; establish the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Compact Commission; provide immunity from suit and liability for members, officers, executive director, employees, and representatives of the commission who act in accordance with the provisions of the compact; authorize the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of state government to enforce the provisions of the compact; establish rulemaking procedures; authorize the commission to attempt to resolve disputes related to the compact that arise among member states and between member and nonmember states; require provisions of the compact to become effective on the date the compact is enacted into law in the fifth compact state; establish withdrawal provisions for a member state that wishes to withdraw from the compact; provide for severability for any provision in the compact that is contrary to the constitution of any member state or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

punishments.

Amend KRS 502.010 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB764 (BR1598) - N. Tate

neutral language.

AN ACT relating to crimes and punishments. Amend KRS 504.120 to insert gender-

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB765 (BR1967) - S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to public protection. Amend KRS 501.080 to make a technical correction and insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

#### HB766 (BR1968) - S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to public protection. Amend KRS 502.060 to insert genderneutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB767 (BR1084) - S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to fish and wildlife law enforcement.

Amend KRS 15.519 to make game wardens employed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources subject to the same requirements for entering or accessing private open land as other law enforcement officers; amend KRS 150.090 to conform; amend KRS 235.310 to make boating enforcement officers employed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources subject to the same requirements for entering or accessing private open land as other law enforcement officers.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

HB768 (BR1929)/LM - S. Maddox, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to small farms and home-based processors.

Create a new section of KRS 217.015 to 217.215 to define "small farms"; exempt small farms and home-based processors from any state and any city, county, urban-county government, consolidated local government, unified local government, or charter county government and any health department thereof from any rule, administrative regulation, certification, or licensing requirement that is not required by federal law; Repeal KRS 217.136, relating to home-based food processors.

up to 280 days prior to its expiration if the person will be outside the boundaries of the Commonwealth when HB763 (BR320) - N. Tate

AN ACT relating to crimes and

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Agriculture (H)

### HB769 (BR1595) - S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to local government. Amend KRS 67.160 to make a technical correction.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Local Government

## HB770 (BR1594) - S. Rudy

(H)

AN ACT relating to transportation. Amend KRS 186.230 and 186.120 to conform to gender-neutral language.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB771 (BR1406) - E. Hancock, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to paid family leave for state employees.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to provide an employee of the Commonwealth in the judicial or legislative branch of the state government a paid leave of absence of up to six weeks for the birth, adoption, foster care placement, or serious health condition of a child; establish requirements; create a new section of KRS 18A.005 to 18A.200 to provide the paid leave benefits to classified employees in the executive branch of state government; amend KRS 18A.025 and 18A.110 to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB772 (BR1946) - A. Neighbors

AN ACT relating to pharmaceutical manufacturers.

Amend KRS 315.400 to amend the definition of "transaction" to include pharmaceutical manufacturers.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB773 (BR1721) - G. Brown Jr., J. Watkins, B. Chester-Burton, E. Hancock, M. Marzian

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to voting rights.

Propose to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky to automatically restore the voting rights of persons convicted of certain felonies upon completion of their imprisonment, probation, or parole and automatically restore their civil rights five years after completion of their imprisonment, probation, or parole; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H) HB774 (BR85)/LM - J. Decker, L. Burke, S. Dietz, J. Hodgson, M. Imes, N. Kulkarni, M. Lockett, K. Moser, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the reporting of fines and fees.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 431 to define terms; require governmental entities to submit specified data to the Office of the Kentucky Center for Statistics regarding fines and fees assessed; require the Office of the Kentucky Center for Statistics to make disaggregated data available on its website; publish an annual report and submit the report to the Legislative Research Commission, the director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, and the Governor by November 30 of each year beginning November 30, 2026; amend KRS 151B.133 to establish authority for the promulgation of administrative regulations by the Office of the Kentucky Center for Statistics related to the collection of data provided under the Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Fines and Fees Reporting Act; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HB775 (BR1339) - J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to development areas.

Amend KRS 65.490 to remove the minimum square-mile requirement for a development area; amend KRS 65.494 to define "existing development area" and "new development area"; allow certain new development areas to be created within an existing development area.

## HB775 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; make a technical correction; prohibit certain payments from being taken considered for determining if thresholds within the contract have been met.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment

(H) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HB776 (BR1931)/LM - S. Bratcher, C. Aull

AN ACT relating to benefits for Kentucky National Guard members.

Amend KRS 38.030 to entitle Kentucky National Guard members to receive hazardous duty incentive pay when called to service under Title 32 when an emergency is declared; amend KRS 138.470 to exempt active members of the Armed Forces assigned to Kentucky who are on temporary duty in from Kentucky motor vehicle dealers; amend KRS 164.5161 to allow current National Guard members and their dependents up to 120 total credit hours at a postsecondary institution; allow the total number of credit hours to be transferrable between the service member and his or her dependent; grant authority to the adjutant general to award up to 45 additional credit hours within the program.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 27, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

## HB777 (BR1950) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to school mapping. Amend KRS 158.442, 39G.010, and 158.4443 to require that administration of the School Mapping Data Program be the responsibility of the Office of Homeland Security instead of the Center for School Safety.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (H)

HB778 (BR1750) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to occupational health and safety.

Amend KRS 338.991 to increase the civil penalties for employers who have violated any provision of KRS Chapter 338, received a citation for a violation of the requirements of KRS Chapter 338. or failed to correct a violation for which a citation has been issued; require the secretary for the Education and Labor Cabinet to annually adjust the maximum civil penalties beginning in 2025 by the percentage increase, if any, in the United State Average Consumer Price Index for all Urban Customers (CPI-U); direct the secretary to begin a three year phase-in for penalty adjustments beginning August 1, 2025.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB779 (BR468) - B. Chester-Burton, M. Marzian, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., E. Hancock, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to school personnel. Amend KRS 161.155 to require school districts to provide a teacher or other employee leave with no loss of income or benefits for 60 school days following an assault against the teacher or employee that results in a physical injury; specify the terms of the leave; require the school district to pay for mental health services of the teacher or employee's choosing during the leave period; amend KRS 158.150 to require a local board of education to adopt a policy requiring expulsion when a student physically assaults or batters school personnel; provide that the policy may permit case-by-case modifications with the consent of the victim; permit the

158.155 to require school employees to report threats or plans of violence towards school personnel; include battery and abuse resulting in injury as acts to be reported; remove the requirement that a physical injury be serious to be reported; remove penalties; amend KRS 158.990 to provide penalties for intentional violations of KRS 158.155.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB780 (BR1749) - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to employment. Amend KRS 337.010 to remove exemptions in definition of "employee" for agricultural workers and domestic service workers; amend KRS 342.630 to indicate that agricultural employers are subject to KRS Chapter 342; amend KRS 342.650 to remove exemptions for domestic service employees and agricultural employees from coverage under KRS Chapter 342; amend various other sections to conform.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

#### HB781 (BR1859) - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to responsible gambling.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to require tracks licensed by the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation to implement programs that promote responsible gambling.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)

HB782 (BR1860) - A. Gentry, G. Brown Jr., N. Kulkarni, A. Moore, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the partial distribution of pari-mutuel racing tax receipts to local governments. Amend KRS 138.510 to allocate moneys to a newly created fund from the pari-mutuel racing tax distribution; create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to establish a fund relating to local governments and administered by the

Department for Local Government; and amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to share information relating to the calculation of the new fund's distribution.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB783 (BR374)/Cl/LM - K. Jackson, R. Duvall, S. McPherson, M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to temporary motor vehicle tags.

Amend KRS 186A.100, 186A.105,

other locations and current members of the Kentucky National Guard from motor vehicle usage tax on vehicles purchased safety of school personnel to be a factor in issuing suspensions and expulsions of primary school students; amend KRS and 186A.110 to amend the processes for motor vehicle dealers' applications for and use of temporary tags for motor

vehicles sold by the dealer; allow county clerks to keep logs of temporary tags in electronic format; enumerate prohibited activities on the part of a dealer in relation to the application and issuance of temporary tags; amend KRS 186A.990 to set the penalty for theft, fraudulent production or copying, or improper use of a temporary tag at a Class D felony; subject motor vehicle dealers, salespersons, and agents who violate the laws governing temporary tags to additional penalties in KRS 190.990; amend KRS 190.990 to establish penalties for motor vehicle dealers, salespersons, and agents; amend KRS 189.990 to expressly include temporary tags under the penalties for using stolen registration plates.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HB784 (BR1526) - K. Jackson, S. Lewis, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, R. Duvall, C. Fugate, V. Grossl, S. McPherson, J. Payne, J. Tipton, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to virtual programs and declaring an emergency.

Define "virtual program"; place an enrollment cap on virtual programs for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year and the entirety of the 2025-2026 school year; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 21, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HB785 (BR1573) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to the Medicaid program.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; establish limitations on material changes to contracts between Medicaid managed care organizations and Medicaid-participating providers; require contracts between the Department for Medicaid Services and a managed care organization to comply with federal laws related to mental health parity; require behavioral health programs to be accredited and narcotic treatment programs to be licensed in order to be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement; amend KRS 205.522 to require the Department for Medicaid Services and managed care organizations to comply with KRS 304.17A-661 related to treatment of mental health conditions and 304.17A-700 to 304.171A-730 related to payment of claims; require managed care organizations to provide a description of reasons for denial when payment of a claim is denied; amend KRS 304.38-130 to authorize the commissioner of the Department of Insurance to suspend or revoke a Medicaid managed care organization's certificate of authority for willful or frequent and repeated failure to comply with Section 1 of this Act, 42 U.S.C. sec. 1396u-2, or 42 C.F.R. pt. 438 Subpart K.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H) AN ACT relating to a provisional license to practice medicine.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 311.530 to 311.620 to permit an international medical graduate to apply for a provisional license that may lead to a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in Kentucky notwithstanding KRS 311.571; require the Board of Medical Licensure to promulgate administrative regulations to establish provisional licensure pathway requirements, applicant requirements, eligibility for obtaining a full and unrestricted license after completing the provisional period, establish a data collection process to evaluate the provisional license option, and require an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB787 (BR1947) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to Medicaid managed care organizations.

Amend KRS 205.533 to require Medicaid managed care organizations to include certain information for providers on their websites; amend KRS 205.534 to require managed care organizations to allow providers 120 days to file an appeal or grievance related to a reduction of denial of a claim; establish penalties for a managed care organization's failure to ensure the timely disposition of any appeal or grievance; require payment of any amount owed to a provider following an appeal to be paid within 30 days; require payments made following an appeal to include 12% interest and reasonable attorney's fees; establish standards and requirements for provider audits; require the inclusion of additional information in the monthly report filed by managed care organizations; require the Department for Medicaid Services to submit an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission related to Medicaid claims, appeals, and grievances; authorize the Department for Medicaid Services to promulgate administrative regulations.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB788 (BR951) - K. Moser, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to buprenorphine products.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 311 to require that a dosage regimen for Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-Naloxone prescribed by a licensed physician to meet the treatment needs of a patient; require the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the requirement; create a new section of KRS Chapter 314 to require that a dosage regimen for Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-Naloxone prescribed by Nursing to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the requirement.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

## HB789 (BR946) - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to advisory oversight of the Medicaid program.

Amend KRS 205.540 to comply with 42 C.F.R. sec. 431.12; change the name of the Advisory Council for Medical Assistance to the Medicaid Advisory Committee; revise membership of the committee; amend KRS 205.552 to conform; amend KRS 205.590 to establish the length of terms for members of the Medicaid technical advisory committees; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to establish the Beneficiary Advisory Council; establish council membership; establish that the council shall be exempt from KRS 61.800 to 61.884 in accordance with 42 C.F.R. 431.12.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB790 (BR1399) - J. Gooch Jr., D.

Meade

AN ACT relating to solar merchant electric generating facilities.

Amend KRS 278.704 to prohibit the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting from granting a setback deviation for an application for a solar merchant electric generating facility made after January 1, 2026, that would allow the facility to be located within 350 feet of an adjoining property owner unless consented to in writing and approved by the legislative body of the local government where the adjoining property is located; establish requirements for the application of the minimum setback requirements for solar merchant electric generating facilities; amend KRS 278.710 to require a construction certificate holder for a solar merchant electric generating facility to file a report with the Energy and Environment Cabinet detailing all federal and state incentives utilized by the construction certificate holder relating to the siting, construction, and operation of the facility; require the Energy and Environment Cabinet to compile an annual report from the incentive disclosures it receives and to submit the report to the Legislative Research Commission on or before December 1 each year.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

## HB791 (BR1757) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to misclassification of employees.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to provide a remedy for employees misclassified as independent contractors; amend KRS 337.010 to define "independent contractor" and "misclassified"; repeal KRS 336.137. Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

## HB792 (BR1965) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to relative and fictive kin caregivers.

Amend KRS 605.120 to require the report by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services that tracks and analyzes data on relative and fictive kin caregiver placement be done annually and posted to the cabinet website for public access.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Families & Children (H)

## HB793 (BR55)/AA/HM/LM/SP - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to reproductive health services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to define terms; provide rights related to access to contraception; create private right of action; create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for contraception; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to exclude contraception from cost defrayal requirements; require health benefit plans to provide coverage for long-acting reversible contraception administered during a postpartum hospital stay; amend KRS 164.2871, 205.522, 205.6485, and 18A.225 to require self-insured employer group health plans provided by the governing board of a state postsecondary institution to its employees, Medicaid, the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program, and the state employee health plan to comply with the new section on contraceptive coverage; amend KRS 446.350 to provide that nothing in the new section on contraceptive coverage shall be construed to violate section; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to apply for a Medicaid waiver to offer family planning services to certain low-income individuals; require the cabinet to report annually; create a new section of KRS Chapter 315 to allow pharmacists to prescribe and dispense hormonal contraceptives; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary; include provisions for cost defrayal requirements; direct that provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2026.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

#### HB794 (BR54) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to pregnancy resource centers. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to define "pregnancy resource center"; require pregnancy resource

HB786 (BR1894) - K. Moser

a licensed advanced practice registered nurse meet the treatment needs of a patient; require the Kentucky Board of centers to be licensed; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations to establish licensure standards for pregnancy resource centers; provide that operation or advertisement of a pregnancy resource center without a license is a Class A misdemeanor; provide that a pregnancy resource center's or health care provider's liability is neither limited nor expanded by the licensure requirement; amend KRS 216B.990 to establish penalties for violations by pregnancy resource centers.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB795 (BR53) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to informed consent for medical examinations.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216 to define terms; prohibit a health care provider from performing a pelvic, rectal, or prostate examination without the informed consent of the patient or the person authorized to make health care decisions for the patient; provide for certain exceptions including a court order; require violators to be subject to discipline by the appropriate professional licensing board or accrediting agency.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

#### HB796 (BR260) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to delinquent tax liens.

Amend KRS 134.490 to modify notification requirements for third-party purchasers of delinquent taxes; amend KRS 134.504 to require notice of the homestead exemption application process.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

#### HB797 (BR1933)/LM - J. Bauman

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 172B of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to amend Section 172B of the Constitution of Kentucky to expand the freeze on an assessment or reassessment moratorium to include the development of property and to remove the five-year expiration date for the moratorium; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

## HB798 (BR1818) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to pregnant inmates. Amend KRS 196.175 to allow an inmate who is known to be pregnant or who has given birth in the last six weeks access to reasonable accommodations for the provision of available certified professional midwifery services or doula services.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HB799 (BR1941) - D. Meade

AN ACT relating to executive branch agencies.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 11 to require an executive branch agency to perform any directive issued by the General Assembly by law or program created by an Act of the General Assembly; require the agency to perform the task or provide the service through their existing funds if the General Assembly does not provide additional funding or an appropriation.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 26, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

**HB800 (BR1804)** - D. Meade , T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to fiscal impact statements.

Amend KRS 6.948 to require the commissioner of the Department of Insurance to include in a health mandate fiscal impact statement and state employee health plan impact statement any documentation, studies, written opinions, calculations, and citations in support of his or her findings and conclusions; include in the statement an estimate of any potential future cost savings, including an explanation why the bill would or would not provide future cost savings; require the commissioner to certify that the information in the health mandate fiscal impact statement or state employee health plan impact statement is accurate; require the commissioner of the Department of Insurance to include in a federal cost defrayal fiscal analysis any documentation, studies, written opinions, calculations, and citations in support of his or her findings and conclusions; require certification by the commissioner that the information provided in the cost defrayal fiscal analysis is accurate.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); 1st reading ; returned to Committee on Committees (H); to State Government (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - taken from State Government (H); 2nd reading ; returned to State Government (H)

#### HB801 (BR1304)/LM - A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to employment. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to prohibit all employers of 75 or more employees from demoting, dismissing, disciplining, or discriminating against an employee who misses work because of duties related to being a candidate, candidate-elect, or member of the General Assembly or legislative body of a local government; require an employer grant a leave of absence if the employee requests it, not to exceed three terms for a member of the House of Representatives, two terms for a member of the Senate or a member of a legislative body of a local government; amend KRS 336.990 to provide a penalty for employers who violate Section 1 of the Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB802 (BR1857) - A. Gentry, G. Brown Jr., A. Donworth, N. Kulkarni, R. Roarx, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to an individual income tax credit for tolls. Create a new section of KRS Chapter

141 to establish the 2026 toll relief tax credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the department to report on the credit.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB803 (BR1760) - A. Gentry, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, E. Hancock, M. Lehman, M. Marzian, A. Moore, R. Roarx, S. Stalker, A. Tackett Laferty, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to occupational safety and health.

Repeal KRS 338.062, relating to occupational safety and health standards.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB804 (BR1898) - T. Smith, C. Fugate, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to a sales and use tax holiday.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to establish a 10-day sales and use tax holiday from April 5 to April 15 each year to exempt firearm safety devices and firearm storage devices; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB805 (BR1842)/FN - N. Wilson, R.

Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to children. Amend KRS 600.020 to change the definition of "safety plan" to reference risks to a child's safety; amend KRS 620.032 related to child welfare data reporting; amend KRS 620.040 to include children who are alleged victims of domestic violence and abuse or sexual assault for automatic acceptance for investigation of reports of child dependency, neglect, or abuse; amend KRS 620.048 related to negotiated safety plans in child protective services HCS1 - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 620.040 to establish a timeline to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to physically locate a child who has been reported to be at risk of harm or an immediate safety concern; amend KRS 605.120 to require that the report by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services that tracks and analyzes data on relative and fictive kin caregiver placement be done annually and posted to the cabinet website for public access.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 26, 2025 - to Families & Children (H) Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HB806 (BR1904)/LM - S. Doan, K. Banta, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, K. Holloway, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to keeping chickens on residential property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define "backyard chicken"; allow a person to keep six or fewer backyard chickens on residential property in cities; establish requirements.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

### HB807 (BR12) - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to school buildings. Amend KRS 162.055 to allow school property to be utilized for teacher and employee housing; create a new section of KRS Chapter 162 to permit school boards or school district finance corporations to use land currently owned or newly leased to provide affordable housing options for teachers and school employees.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB808 (BR1556)/LM - K. Upchurch, J. Branscum, J. Bray, C. Freeland, M. Imes, D. Meade , M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to recreation and tourism development.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 148 to terms; establish the Dream Big Burnside Development Authority to establish, maintain, and promote a recreational and resort park system surrounding General Burnside Lake; establish board membership and executive director requirements of the authority; establish the duties and purposes of the authority; require that bond debt service be payable solely from the revenue of the bonds; provide that a landowner that has a contractual agreement with the authority for use of

investigations.

HB805 - AMENDMENTS

private land as part of a recreational area does not waive any protection granted to the landowner by KRS

#### 411.190.

#### **HB808 - AMENDMENTS**

HCS1/LM - Retain original provisions, except amend the definition of "authority" to Burnside Island Development Authority, add definitions of "commissioner," "days," and "department," and delete definitions of "land," "participating county," "recreation area," and "recreational purposes"; delete all provisions regarding recreation areas and recreational purposes; amend requirements for appointed members of Burnside Island Development Authority to be appointed by the Governor; delete the requirement that an executive director be hired by the authority and make optional; delete duties and responsibilities of an executive director; amend the duties and responsibilities of the authority; add a provision that all administrative and management functions for the facilities and amenities on General Burnside Island State Park be assumed by the authority and included in the public-private partnership agreement; delete the public bidding process for contracts carrying out the business of the authority; delete the duty of the authority to establish a recreational park system with participating landowners; delete the guidelines for how the authority is to use the fees collected; add a requirement that the public-private partnership not be governed by KRS 45A.077 or 65.028(12) or any provision to the contrary, except the KRS 65.028 requirement that an aggregate value of \$25,000,000 or more shall be authorized by the General Assembly; require the Department of Parks continue to operate and maintain General Burnside Island State Park until a public-private partnership has been created and enumerate the Department of Parks responsibilities until a publicprivate partnership has been created; add a staggered schedule for initial terms for the authority's board members.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Economic **Development & Workforce Investment** (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

### HB809 (BR1532) - K. Moser, A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to student health. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to authorize a superintendent or principal to request assistance from a local health department to implement a health curriculum, comply with statutory program requirements, or provide additional health programming for students; provide example programs a local health department may offer; require instruction and programming provided in partnership with a local health department be subject to the curricular requirements of KRS 160.345.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to

Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Primary and Secondary Education (H); 1st reading ; returned to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

#### HB810 (BR1624) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to minimum staffing requirements for long-term care facilities. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 216 to define terms; require staff-toresident ratios in long-term care facilities as a condition of licensure or relicensure; establish minimum staffing requirements; prohibit long-term care facilities from admitting new residents if the facility fails to comply with the minimum staffing requirements, beginning on the second day of noncompliance and continuing until six days after the required staffing is achieved, with exceptions allowed for weather emergencies and other similar events; require additional staffing based on the needs of the residents; exempt intermediate-care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities, institutions for the treatment of mental illnesses, personal care homes, and family care homes from the minimum staffing requirements; create the Long-Term-Care Minimum Staffing Committee to review staffing requirements on an annual basis; establish duties and membership; establish a civil fine of no more than \$1,000 for each day that the staffing requirements are not maintained.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HB811 (BR1560) - J. Tipton, T. Roberts, T. Huff, C. Lewis

AN ACT amending the 2024-2026 State/Executive Branch biennial budget, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency. Amend the 2024-2026

State/Executive Branch biennial budget to stipulate that no unbudgeted Federal Funds can be allotted or expended without the express authority of the General Assembly and that no unanticipated, unappropriated Federal Funds received after January 1, 2025, can be expended without the express authority of the General Assembly: APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## HB812 (BR1868) - D. Osborne, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to lawsuits affecting the Commonwealth.

Amend KRS 12.210 to allow the Governor to participate in litigation to defend or vindicate only those matters particular to his or her office; require all other litigation matters affecting the Commonwealth to be under the purview of the Attorney General.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

#### HB813 (BR1969) - M. Pollock, J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to state contracts. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 148, defining "state marina", "marina operator", and "license agreement"; allow the Finance and Administration Cabinet to enter into an agreement with a marina operator to renew or extend a license agreement or other agreements with a marina operator.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HB814 (BR1808) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for doula services.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require the Department for Medicaid Services and any managed care organization with which the department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services to provide coverage for doula services; establish training and education requirements for doulas; require the department to promulgate administrative regulations; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary and comply with KRS 205.525.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

# House **Resolutions**

#### HR1 (BR813) - D. Osborne, S. Rudy

Establish the 2025 membership of the Kentucky State House of Representatives.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor; adopted by voice vote

### HR2 (BR812) - D. Osborne, S. Rudy

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2025 Regular Session of the House of Representatives.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor; adopted 77-20

### HR3 (BR814) - D. Osborne, S. Rudy

Extend an invitation to the pastors of Frankfort churches to open sessions of the 2025 Regular Session with prayer.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor; adopted by voice vote

Appoint a committee to wait upon the Governor.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor; adopted by voice vote

#### HJR5 (BR988) - J. Branscum

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate United States Route 127 in Russell County as the Deputy Sheriff Joshua Phipps Memorial Highway.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HR6 (BR172) - C. Massaroni, K. Banta

Encourage Kentucky schools to acquire anti-choking devices.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HR7 (BR1090) - L. Burke, P. Stevenson, C. Aull

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2025 Regular Session of the House of Representatives.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Jan 08, 2025 - taken from Committee

on Committees (H); to House Floor; defeated 20-75

## HJR8 (BR1027) - T. Roberts

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of Kentucky Route 18 in Boone County as the President Donald J. Trump Highway.

Jan 07, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HR9 (BR1115) - S. Maddox

Urge the General Assembly to oppose the adoption of a "Red Flag" law or other legislation infringing upon the right to keep and bear arms.

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

HJR10 (BR31) - D. Gordon, J. Bray, T. Truett, B. Wesley

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of United States Route 25 in Madison County as the 'Captain Samuel A. Manley Memorial Highway."

Jan 08, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 04, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

#### HR11 (BR1055) - D. Grossberg

Recognize January 27, 2025, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HR4 (BR815) - D. Osborne, S. Rudy

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Jan 10, 2025 - to House Floor ;

adopted by voice vote

## HCR12 (BR1088) - S. Rudy

Provide that when the House of Representatives and the Senate adjourn the first part of the 2025 Regular Session, they adjourn until February 4, 2025, when the second part of the 2025 Regular Session shall convene.

Jan 09, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; taken from Committee on Committees (H); adopted by voice vote Jan 10, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## HR13 (BR1149) - D. Meade

Recognize and support the Kentucky Science & Technology Corporation, the University of Kentucky, and the University of Louisville for their accepted preliminary proposals for funding from the National Science Foundation's Regional Innovation Engines program.

Jan 10, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

HR14 (BR1395) - M. Marzian, B. Chester-Burton, R. Roarx

Proclaim February 6, 2025, as Kentucky Nurses Day and adjourn in honor of Kentucky nurses.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 05, 2025 - to House Floor Feb 06, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

HJR15 (BR408) - S. Baker, M. Dossett, J. Blanton, A. Bowling, J. Calloway, J. Decker, D. Elliott, C. Fugate, P. Griffee, D. Hale, T. Huff, DJ Johnson, K. King, M. Lockett, S. Maddox, D. Meade , J. Nemes, F. Rabourn, N. Tate, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, R. White

Direct the Historic Properties Advisory Commission to return to permanent display on the New State Capitol grounds the granite Ten Commandments monument given to the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 1971 by the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

### HJR15 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1 - Retain original provisions; make technical correction. HFA1(A. Donworth) - Amend HJR 15/HCS 1 to include language specifying that other organizations may donate monuments related to other organized religions for display at the New Capitol grounds.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 07, 2025 - to State Government (H)

Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - floor amendment (1) defeated; 3rd reading, passed 79-13 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to State & Local Government (S)

HR16 (BR1383) - K. Moser

Recognize May 2025 as Myositis Awareness Month.

Feb 04, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to House Floor

HJR17 (BR1293) - R. Raymer

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Warren Oates Memorial Highway in Muhlenberg County.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR18 (BR1292) - R. Raymer

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Representative Brent Yonts Memorial Highway in Muhlenberg County.

Feb 05, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 07, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HCR19 (BR1206) - D. Lewis Feb 19-WITHDRAWN

HCR20 (BR1171) - R. Raymer

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to study access to sexual assault nurse examiners; require report to be submitted to the Interim Joint Committee on Health Services and the Interim Joint Committee on Judiciary by December 1, 2025.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Health Services (H) Feb 13, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 14, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules Feb 18, 2025 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

90-0 Feb 20, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S) Feb 25, 2025 - to Health Services (S)

## HJR21 (BR345) - S. Sharp

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the James Ishmael Tackett Memorial Bridge on United States Route 23 in Lawrence County.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 12, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HCR22 (BR292) - R. Bridges, S. Rudy, J. Blanton, J. Hodgson, J. Nemes, T. Smith

Declare that nuclear power generation is a clean and dispatchable means of providing baseload electricity to the residents and businesses of the HCS1 - Retain original provisions; establish that the practice of reprocessing spent nuclear fuel for reuse reduces the volume of high-level wastes produced from the nuclear energy generation process and decreases the demand for new fuel.

Feb 06, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - to Natural Resources & Energy (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 28, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 04, 2025

HR23 (BR1240) - L. Burke, A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, N. Kulkarni, M. Lehman, A. Moore, R. Roarx, L. Willner

Recognize February 13, 2025, as Kentucky Arts Day.

Feb 11, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 12, 2025 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor

Feb 13, 2025 - adopted by voice vote

HR24 (BR1465) - J. Hodgson, E. Callaway

Express concern about federal regulatory overreach that adversely affects the housing industry.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to Local Government (H)

HR25 (BR1593) - P. Stevenson, B. Chester-Burton

Recognize the last day of February, the day connecting Black and Women's History Months, as a day to honor Black women.

Feb 12, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to State Government

(H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from State Government (H); to House Floor ;

adopted by voice vote

HR26 (BR1711) - K. Jackson, R. Duvall, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, S. Riley, T. Truett

Recognize February 14, 2025, as Making Our Schools Safe (MOSS) Day.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 14, 2025 - to House Floor; adopted by voice vote

## HR27 (BR1705) - A. Thompson

Recognize October 10, 2025, as Higher Education Mental Health Day in Kentucky.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Establish the Kentucky School for the Deaf Governance Task Force; establish duties and membership; direct the task force to study optimal governance models for the Kentucky School for the Deaf, including by a possible independent board of education.

Feb 13, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

## HR29 (BR1797) - S. Heavrin

Honor Blueprint for Kentucky's Children, and adjourn on March 5th, 2025, in honor of Children's Advocacy Day.

Feb 14, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR30 (BR1463)/FN - J. Petrie, J. Bray, A. Bowling

Authorize the Office of State Budget Director to release a portion of the moneys appropriated for the Kentucky Water or Wastewater Assistance for Troubled or Economically Restrained Systems Fund.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 88-6

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees  $(\ensuremath{\mathsf{S}})$ 

HJR31 (BR1678)/FN - J. Petrie, J. Bray, A. Bowling

Express the General Assembly's consideration of program-specific funding to the Department of Agriculture.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HJR32 (BR1679)/FN - J. Petrie, A. Bowling, J. Bray

Authorize the Office of State Budget Director to release certain awards from the School Facility Assistance Fund.

#### HJR32 - AMENDMENTS

HCS1/FN - Retain the original provisions, except amend the amounts for Bardstown Independent and Harrison County schools; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st

reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Commonwealth.

HCR22 - AMENDMENTS

HCR28 (BR1266) - D. Elliott

Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 89-3 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HJR33 (BR1682)/FN - J. Petrie, A. Bowling, J. Bray

Declare that the General Assembly does not authorize the contingent appropriation moneys to establish an Innovations in Early Childhood Education Delivery Grant Program.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

**HJR34 (BR1684)** - J. Petrie, J. Bray, A. Bowling

Declare that the contingent appropriation of capital construction funds to improve and advance the existing Kentucky Community and Technical College System remains under condiseration by the General Assembly.

HJR34 - AMENDMENTS HCS1/FN - Remove original provisions; authorize the Office of State Budget Director to release capital construction funds to improve and advance the existing Kentucky Community and Technical College System; APPROPRIATION.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1) Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S)

HJR35 (BR1672) - A. Neighbors

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Tompkinsville Bypass on Kentucky Route 163 in Monroe County as the Doctor William Lynwood Montell Memorial Highway.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HJR36 (BR1163) - M. Koch

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Deborah Ritchie Memorial Bridge in Nicholas County.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HJR37 (BR1591) - R. Duvall

Direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to implement a pilot program beginning January 1, 2026, to study the effectiveness of in-home prescription drug disposal in Kentucky; require consultation with the Board of Pharmacy; require submission of a report to the Interim Joint Committee on Health Services by December 1, 2027.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HJR38 (BR1725) - C. Massaroni

Designate a bridge on United States Highway 31E in Nelson County as the Nelson County Veterans Bridge.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

## HJR39 (BR1218) - C. Massaroni

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the new bypass connecting KY Route 245 and US 62 in Nelson County as the Sons of Bardstown Memorial Highway.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR40 (BR1919) - M. Lehman

Designate a portion of United States Route 27 in Campbell County as the Patrick J. Crowley Memorial Parkway.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HCR41 (BR1908) - M. Lockett, M. Proctor, E. Callaway, J. Decker, R. Duvall, P. Griffee, M. Imes, K. King, F. Rabourn, S. Witten

State the General Assembly's support for the goals of the Make America Healthy Again movement; establish the Make America Healthy Again Kentucky Task Force to integrate the principles of the Make America Healthy Again movement; establish task force membership; require the task force to submit a report with recommendations to the Governor and the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HJR42 (BR1600) - A. Tackett Laferty

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Donald V. Horne Memorial Bridge in Floyd County and erect appropriate signs.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR43 (BR1741) - J. Gooch Jr.

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the northern portion of the newly relocated United States Route 641 in Caldwell, Crittenden, and Lyon Counties as the Representative Mike Cherry Memorial Highway.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to

## HCR44 (BR1903) - C. Freeland

Urge the United States Congress to pass the AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act of 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HR45 (BR1809) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

Designate May 5 to 11, 2025, as Postpartum Depression Awareness Week in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR46 (BR1143)/FN - J. Petrie, K. Upchurch, A. Bowling, J. Bray

Sets out the County Priority Projects portion of the Six-Year Road Plan.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed 87-6

Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

## HJR47 (BR1479) - D. Lewis

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Venita Caldwell Memorial Highway in Leslie County.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HR48 (BR1802) - D. Lewis

Urge the United States Congress to allow users of medical cannabis to own firearms.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 27, 2025 - to Judiciary (H)

## HJR49 (BR1645) - N. Wilson

Direct the Kentucky High School Athletic Association to submit a report to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025, concerning studentathlete transfers and eligibility and making recommendations to improve the process.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H) Feb 28, 2025 - taken from Primary

reading ; returned to Primary and Secondary Education (H); 1st reading ; returned to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HCR50 (BR1039) - T. Roberts, J.

Dotson, D. Fister, P. Flannery, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, V. Grossl, K. Holloway, M. Imes, D. Lewis, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, A. Neighbors, M. Pollock, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, S. Sharp, N. Tate, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, N. Wilson

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Kentucky Discipline of Government Efficiency (KY DOGE) Task Force to study Executive Branch expenditures and provide recommendations for efficiency in government operations; require the task force to meet monthly during the 2025 Interim, and submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HJR51 (BR1781) - T. Hampton, V. Grossl

Direct the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to delay the demolition of the Great Crossing Dam in Georgetown, Kentucky, until after December 31, 2027; direct the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to hold periodic meetings regarding the demolition, repair, or reconstruction of the Great Crossing Dam; direct the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to conduct a study on the repair or reconstruction of the Great Crossing Dam; require a report to be submitted to the Scott County Fiscal Court, the Georgetown City Council, the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, the Budget **Review Subcommittee on Economic** Development, Tourism, and Environmental Protection, and the Interim Joint Committee on Local Government by December 31, 2025; EMERGENCY.

Feb 18, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

## HCR52 (BR1814) - P. Stevenson

Establish the Infant Mortality Task Force; list duties and members of the task force; require the task force to meet monthly during the 2025 Interim of the General Assembly and to submit a report by December 1, 2025.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Health Services (H)

HJR53 (BR1683)/FN - J. Petrie, A. Bowling, J. Bray

Authorize the Office of State Budget Director to release capital construction funds for the Design Health Services Center project at Kentucky State University; require the university to submit a comprehensive business plan on or before November 1, 2025.

Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H) Hodgson, S. Baker, J. Bauman, A. Bowling, J. Branscum, J. Bray, J. Calloway, J. Decker, S. Doan, R. Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025 Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

90-0 Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to Committee on Committees (S)

HJR54 (BR1685)/FN - J. Petrie, J. Bray, A. Bowling

Authorize the Office of State Budget Director to release capital construction funds for the Kentucky Exposition Center Redevelopment - Phase II.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 20, 2025 - to Appropriations &

Revenue (H) Feb 25, 2025 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 26, 2025 - 2nd reading, to Rules ; posted for passage in the Regular

Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2025

Feb 27, 2025 - 3rd reading, passed

96-0 Feb 28, 2025 - received in Senate ; to

Committee on Committees (S)

## HJR55 (BR1893) - M. Dossett

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate KY 117 from mile point 7.3 to mile point 13.2 as the POW/MIA Trail.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR56 (BR1835) - A. Tackett Laferty

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of Kentucky Route 979 in Floyd County as the Ermal Tackett Memorial Highway.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HR57 (BR1963) - A. Thompson

Encourage the Kentucky Historical Society, in collaboration with the Kentucky Department of Education, to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the United States of America; provide that the Resolution may be cited as the Kentucky's Kids Remembering America's Path to Independence Act.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR58 (BR1810) - B. Chester-Burton, M. Marzian

Recognize March 2025 to be Kentucky Maternal and Infant Mortality and Disparities Awareness Month.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR59 (BR1888) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr., A. Donworth

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR60 (BR1884) - B. Chester-Burton, G. Brown Jr.

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Mae Street Kidd Memorial Highway in Jefferson County.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HCR61 (BR1790) - K. Upchurch, J. Branscum, S. Baker, J. Bray, D. Meade

Urge the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to petition the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials to designate certain highways as United States Highway 111.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR62 (BR1830) - K. Upchurch

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a memorial highway in Pulaski County in honor of fallen officers John Coomer, Hiram Gregory, Charlie Wright, and George Prentice Southwood.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR63 (BR1162) - J. Blanton

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the Robert Ritchie Memorial Highway in Magoffin County and erect appropriate signage.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 25, 2025 - to Transportation (H)

HJR64 (BR1867) - D. Osborne

Limit the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to participate in litigation only pertaining to the interests of his or her office; declare that only the Attorney General may bring or participate in litigation in federal court on behalf of the Commonwealth; authorize the Attorney General to enforce this Resolution.

Feb 19, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to State Government (H)

HR65 (BR1913) - K. Banta

Recognize April 18, 2025, as National Lineman Appreciation Day.

Feb 20, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR66 (BR1973) - A. Neighbors

Recognize March 6, 2025, as Suits and Sneakers Day; honor those impacted by cancer.

Feb 20, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HCR67 (BR1847) - E. Callaway, J. Nemes, G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

Establish the Kentucky Restoration of Voting Rights Task Force to review, study, and recommend language for a constitutional amendment or statutory change to restore voting rights to individuals with felony convictions who have completed their sentences; establish task force membership; require the task force to submit a report with recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2025.

Feb 21, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 27, 2025 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HR68 (BR1980) - S. Heavrin, N. Wilson

Recognize April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Feb 25, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)  $\!\!\!$ 

## HR69 (BR1987) - S. Sharp

Recognize February 26, 2025, as Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Day in Kentucky.

Feb 26, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

## HJR70 (BR1315) - J. Blanton

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the BB and Larry King Memorial Bridge in Knott County.

Feb 27, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR71 (BR1990) - S. Heavrin

Recognize November 2025 as Grieving Children and Families Month.

Feb 27, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR72 (BR1988) - K. Jackson, S. Riley, K. King, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, T. Truett, L. Willner

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Feb 27, 2025 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H) Feb 28, 2025 - to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

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