

Senate Bills

SB7 (BR371) - A. Reed, J. Higdon, G. Boswell, J. Carpenter, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, D. Givens, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Meredith, R. Mills, G. Neal, M. Nemes, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, C. Richardson, R. Stivers, B. Storm, L. Tichenor, R. Webb, S. West, P. Wheeler, G. Williams, M. Wilson, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to the issuance of identity documents.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 186 to define "local official"; require the Transportation Cabinet to expand issuance of renewal and duplicate operator's licenses and personal identification cards in any county in which a permanent regional licensing office is not located by establishing a system between the Transportation Cabinet and a local official to issue renewal and duplicate operator's licenses and personal identification cards for a \$25 convenience fee in addition to any other applicable fees; allow counties to enter into an interlocal agreement to share personnel and equipment for issuance; require the Transportation Cabinet to report to the Legislative Research Commission annually on the number of renewal and duplicate operator's licenses and personal identification cards issued under the Act and any effect on wait times at the permanent regional licensing offices; amend KRS 186.531 to remove the 4 year identity document option; amend KRS 186.410, 186.535, and 186.579 to conform; repeal KRS 186.4101, relating to license renewal and reconciliation of 4-year and 8-year license renewal periods; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2027.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); to Transportation (S)

SB10 (BR1559)/LM - C. McDaniel, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, 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 60 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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to State & Local Government (S)

SB11 (BR1219) - S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to a residential safe

room rebate program.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 39A to define terms; the residential safe room rebate program; establish the residential safe room rebate fund to provide rebates to residents of this state for the construction or installation of a residential safe room; establish an application process by which the Division of Emergency Management awards rebates; require the division to promulgate administrative regulations; require the division to report annually to the Legislative Research Commission about the residential safe room rebate program.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB12 (BR1137) - S. Meredith, S. Madon

AN ACT relating to medical provider coverage in Level IV trauma centers.
Amend KRS 211.492 to define "advanced practice provider"; amend KRS 211.494 to allow Level IV verified trauma centers to utilize physician assistants and advanced practice registered nurses who are supervised by physicians to cover emergency departments; require the Department for Public Health to promulgate administrative regulations to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB13 (BR1017) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins, M. Nunn, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to planning commission membership.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define terms; amend KRS 100.133 and 100.137 to allow the inclusion of a nonvoting ex officio member of a planning unit to be a representative of a military installation to advise on matters relating to national security and other concerns for the military installation; provide that the Act may be cited as the Military Installation Protection Act.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB14 (BR182) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins, G. Neal, C. Richardson

AN ACT relating to paid maternity leave for state employees.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define "full-time position" and "qualifying employee"; permit a qualifying employee paid leave of absence of up to 30 days for the birth of a child; require leave of more than 1 child during a singular pregnancy to be taken concurrently; require the employee to use the leave within 1 year of the child's birth; require the employee to use the leave as a continuous 30-day block or as a 20-day block with the remainder to be used intermittently as full days; require the employee to request advance approval before using the leave; require the employee to use the paid leave before other types of accrued leave; require compliance with the Family and Medical Leave Act; specify that any other type of leave not specified does not qualify for paid maternity leave; prohibit an employee from converting the

unused balance of paid maternity leave to other types of paid leave, benefits, or compensation; require any administrative regulation in conflict with this Act to be amended, withdrawn, or repealed within 90 days of the effective date of the Act.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB15 (BR985) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins, S. Madon, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to the protection of veterans' benefits.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 40 to define terms; require any person seeking compensation for assisting with veterans' benefits to be accredited by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; provide that the Act may be cited as the Veterans' Benefits Accreditation Act.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB16 (BR1243)/LM - R. Thomas, K. Herron, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, G. Clemons, G. Neal

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 for employers to \$15.00 an hour; include anti-preemption language permitting local governments to establish minimum wage ordinances in excess of the state minimum wage.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB17 (BR1205) - B. Storm, M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Court-Appointed Special Advocate Network.
Amend KRS 620.500 to add the Kentucky CASA Network to the definition of "association"; amend KRS 620.505 to decrease the minimum number of local CASA board members from 15 to 12; remove the provision that local CASA programs are required to comply with National CASA Association Standards for programs make technical corrections; remove "cabinet" and replace with "the Department for Community Based Services" relating to employees who are prohibited from becoming volunteers or employees of the court-appointed special advocate program; amend KRS 620.537 to make technical corrections; amend KRS 620.055 to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB18 (BR1127) - C. Richardson, S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to the practice of podiatry.
Amend KRS 311.380 to define "physician assistant," "podiatric assistant," "podiatric residency," "podiatric resident," podiatric supervision," and "supervising

podiatrist"; amend KRS 311.400 to add the scope of practice for podiatric residents and podiatric assistants; amend KRS 311.410 to conform; amend KRS 311.420 to add qualifications to acquire a license to practice podiatry; permit the board to promulgate administrative regulations for licensure of podiatric assistants and podiatric residents, podiatric residency licenses, and the approval and regulation of podiatric supervision of physician assistants; amend KRS 311.480 to include podiatric resident and podiatric assistant licenses to the licenses the Board of Podiatry can deny, refuse to renew, suspend, place on probation, or revoke; amend KRS 311.840 to define "podiatric supervision" and "supervising podiatrist"; create a new section of KRS 311.840 to 311.862 to establish requirements for podiatrists to supervise physician assistants; amend KRS 218B.010 to add podiatrist to the definition of "medicinal cannabis practitioner"; add the State Board of Podiatry to the definition of "state licensing board"; amend KRS 218B.050 to add podiatrist to those required to apply to the same state licensing board that issued his or her license for authorization to provide written certifications for the use of medicinal cannabis; amend KRS 218B.145 to add the State Board of Podiatry to those to be notified of qualifying medical conditions; amend KRS 311.450, 311.460, 311.470, and 311.475 to make technical changes; amend KRS 311.390, 311.490, 311.495, and 311.990 to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB19 (BR1398) - S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe

AN ACT relating to mushrooms.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to name and designate the indigo milk cap as the official state mushroom of Kentucky.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB20 (BR876) - S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe

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.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB21 (BR1492) - G. Neal, J. Adams, R. Thomas, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, G. Clemons, K. Herron

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 3 members of the board to have engaged in the practice or teaching of music therapy for at least 3 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 speech-language pathologist; create the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Professional Music Therapists fund; establish a fine for violations; provide for initial board appointments.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB22 (BR393) - J. Higdon, S. West, M. Deneen, S. Meredith, L. Tichenor, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to the dual credit scholarship program.
Amend KRS 164.786 to define "eligible high school apprentice" and "eligible registered teacher apprenticeship program"; include eligible registered teacher apprenticeship programs in the dual credit scholarship program; establish student and school district eligibility and participation requirements in the eligible registered teacher apprenticeship scholarship program.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB23 (BR320)/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 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB24 (BR1319) - 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 the Transportation Cabinet shall suspend the registration of the motor vehicle when a person refuses to pay the civil penalty and does not appear to contest the citation; mandate that civil penalties shall not result in points against the driving record of the operator of the motor vehicle in violation; amend KRS 189.231 and 189.990 to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB25 (BR18)/CI - S. Rawlings, S. Funke Frommeyer, G. Elkins, S. Madon, A. Mays Bledsoe, A. Reed, L. Tichenor, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to geoengineering.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 512 to 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 prohibition on criminal atmospheric pollution; require an arresting officer to issue a notice to any federal agency that approved the action that those activities cannot be lawfully carried out in the Commonwealth.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB26 (BR1149) - L. Tichenor, S. West, G. Boswell, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, R. Girdler, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, G. Williams, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to discrimination in educational settings 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 applicants to complete an approved professional development program on Kentucky education law; amend KRS 158.4416 and 158.4414 to conform; amend KRS 160.380 to remove language requiring targeted minority recruitment; amend various KRS sections to conform; repeal KRS 156.500 and 161.165; 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, 2027; EMERGENCY.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB27 (BR1272)/LM - G. Elkins

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; require a coroner 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 Chabad of the Bluegrass wants to pay for the burial expense, or if known to be a member of a religious community, the appropriate government entity contact any such religious community that has expressed, in writing, a willingness to the local county coroner that it will pay for, or otherwise provide, the burial expense of the community's members. .

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to State & Local Government (S)

SB28 (BR238) - J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to operating a motor vehicle.
Repeal and reenact KRS 189.292 to define "mobile electronic device";

prohibit the use of a mobile electronic device while operating a motor vehicle; establish exceptions; amend KRS 189.294 to define "mobile electronic device"; amend KRS 189.990 to establish penalties for violation of KRS 189.292 and 189.294; require that money from fines be deposited into the traumatic brain injury trust fund, the Kentucky trauma care system fund, and the veterans' program trust fund; provide that a courtesy warning and not a uniform citation shall be issued by a peace officer until October 31, 2026; provide that the Act may be cited as the Phone-Down Kentucky Act.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Transportation (S)

SB29 (BR1427)/LM - G. Elkins, S. Rawlings, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to solid waste management facilities.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 109 to prohibit the imposition of fees or permitting requirements on a solid waste management facility that is handling solid waste that was generated outside of the county or waste management district where the solid waste management facility is located, by the county or waste management district where solid waste was generated.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB30 (BR1365) - G. Elkins

AN ACT relating to the Motor Vehicle Commission.
Amend KRS 190.058 to establish the motor vehicle commission fund; direct all license fees collected under KRS Chapter 190 to be deposited into the fund; set forth uses of the fund; provide that fund amounts not expended at the end of a fiscal year not lapse but instead be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Transportation (S)

SB31 (BR1448) - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to Charlie Kirk Day.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate October 14 of each year as Charlie Kirk Day.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB32 (BR1)/LM - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to measures to strengthen Kentucky's economic infrastructure.
Amend KRS 369.130 to add and modify various definitions; create a new section of KRS 369.130 to 369.139 to prohibit the Commonwealth of Kentucky and governing authorities from issuing, recognizing as legal tender, accepting or requiring as payment, or participating in any test of central bank digital currency; create new sections of KRS 369.130 to

369.139 and KRS Chapter 393 to prohibit ownership of digital asset mining businesses by prohibited foreign parties; provide for enforcement by Attorney General and penalties for violation of prohibited foreign party prohibition; establish distribution of proceeds if digital asset mining business property is escheated due to a violation; amend KRS 45.345 to conform; amend KRS 42.500 to make technical corrections; permit the State Investment Commission to invest up to 10% of excess funds in bullion; prohibit State Investment Commission from investing in central bank digital currency; amend KRS 42.525 to make technical corrections; authorize the State Investment Commission to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out and effectuate certain authorized investments; establish Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 286 and create new sections thereof to regulate virtual currency kiosks; establish definitions; provide for enforcement by the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions; establish license requirements for virtual currency kiosks; require regulatory filings to be submitted to a nationwide licensing system registry; establish initial and renewal application processes and requirements, reporting, surety bond and tangible net worth, and change of control requirements for virtual currency kiosk operators; require the commissioner to promulgate administrative regulations to establish format, document submission, fee, and trade practice requirements for virtual currency kiosk operators; establish record retention requirements for persons required to be licensed as virtual currency kiosk operators; establish trade practice requirements relating to protection of resident assets, virtual currency kiosk transactions, prohibited practices, and fraud and information security compliance procedures; authorize the commissioner to conduct investigations and examinations; provide for the confidentiality of certain documents provided to the commissioner; authorize the commissioner to share, disclose, and report information and take other actions to assist in the commissioner's duties; require the commissioner to submit an annual licensing report to the Legislative Research Commission; establish due process requirements for adverse actions taken by the commissioner against licensees and other persons; establish requirements for the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license; authorize the commissioner to enter cease and desist orders and emergency orders; authorize the commissioner to order civil penalties against persons that violate the subtitle; create a new section of KRS Chapter 41 to define terms; recognize gold specie and silver specie as legal tender in Kentucky; provide for use of gold specie and silver specie as legal tender; require the State Treasurer to promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to designate or establish a bullion depository and authorize 1 or more electronic payment systems to facilitate electronic payment transactions; establish requirements for system participants, transaction information, and bullion deposits; require the State Treasurer to submit an annual report to

the Legislative Research Commission and to implement the system within 1 year; provide that Section 32 of the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Transactional Gold and Silver Act; require the commissioner of the Department of Financial Institutions to promulgate any required emergency and ordinary administrative regulations on or before January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE, in part, March 31, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB33 (BR394) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to recovery residences.
Amend KRS 222.504 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to notify local governments when a recovery residence initiates the certification process with a certifying organization, becomes certified, or receives disciplinary action from the cabinet; require the cabinet to provide the recovery residence contact information and consider recovery residence information to be public record; amend KRS 222.510 to require local governments that maintain a registry of recovery residences and consider the information a public record.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB34 (BR24)/LM - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to the transfer of property upon death.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 391 to establish the Kentucky Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act to codify provisions for the creation, administration, modification, termination, and validity of transfer on death deeds; define terms; specify that a transfer on death deed is not an inter vivos transfer and that the transfer occurs at the time of the transferor's death; specify that the transferor retains the power to revoke a transfer on death deed; establish that a transfer on death deed is nontestamentary; establish requirements for a transfer on death deed and specify the process of recording a transfer on death deed; specify that a transfer on death deed is effective without acceptance by the beneficiary during the transferor's lifetime; establish provisions for the revocation of a transfer on death deed by instrument or act; establish the effect of a transfer on death deed during the transferor's life; allow a beneficiary to disclaim the property interest in the deed; establish a form for creating at transfer on death deed; establish a form for revocation of a transfer on death deed; require the Department of Revenue to provide the established forms; specify the applicability of KRS Chapter 391; conform to federal requirements related to electronic signatures and records; amend KRS 64.012 to provide the recording fee for a transfer on death deed or revocation; require the Department of Medicaid Services to prescribe and provide a form requiring information related to any Medicaid lien; provide that Sections 1 to 14 of this Act may be cited as the Uniform Real Property Transfer on

Death Act; Amend KRS 381.280, 382.110, 382.135, 391.360, 392.020, 392.070, and 403.190 to conform; create a new section of KRS Chapter 186A to define terms; establish requirements for a transfer of a vehicle's title to a named beneficiary upon the death of the owner; direct the Transportation Cabinet to develop a form for transfer; amend KRS 395.455 to dispense with administration of an estate and transfer property under certain circumstances relating to minors and payment of preferred claims.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB35 (BR1318) - 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; establish limitations and penalties; require meeting to be recorded.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB36 (BR1558)/CI - D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to parentage fraud.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 530 to establish the crime of parentage fraud as a Class B misdemeanor.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB37 (BR1058) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB38 (BR1083) - C. Richardson, S. Meredith

AN ACT relating to reimbursements 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 for Medicaid to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes to the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Health Services (S)

SB39 (BR143) - G. Boswell, L. Tichenor, M. Wilson

AN ACT relating to fishing in privately owned lakes and ponds.
Amend KRS 150.170 to exempt a bona fide private landowner from any fishing restrictions imposed in KRS

Chapter 150 or the administrative regulations promulgated thereunder relating to creel, possession, size, or method of take; allow a private landowner to extend the same rights and privileges relating to fishing in lakes or ponds located on the landowner's property to any person in written or electronic form; allow the stocking of certain largemouth bass in private lakes and ponds without restriction; exempt a bona fide private landowner from any lake or pond stocking restrictions except with regard to prohibitions on the stocking of invasive fish.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB40 (BR365)/LM - G. Boswell, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, S. Madon, M. Nunn, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, S. West, P. Wheeler, 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 fill vacancies on a library board, with the approval of the fiscal court, without being required to consider recommendations made the board or the state librarian if the county has adopted an alternative appointment process.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to State & Local Government (S)

SB41 (BR128)/LM - G. Boswell

AN ACT relating to the levy of an ad valorem tax rate.
Amend KRS 132.017, relating to the process for a recall of a local ad valorem tax rate, to define "school nickel tax rate"; require a petition process for recalling the levy of a school nickel tax rate; remove other taxes levied by local governmental entities from the petition process requirements; require an ad valorem tax levied by a local governmental entity and a general tax rate levied by a local board of education to be voted upon by the voters if the tax rate produces more than 4% in revenues over the revenues produced by the compensating tax rate; require the suspension of the ordinance, order, resolution, or motion levying the tax rate until after the required election; allow a local governmental entity or a local board of education to cancel a required recall election by reconsidering the levy and instead levying a tax rate that produces no more than 4% in revenues over the revenues produced by the compensating tax rate; specify ballot and public notification requirements for the election; provide that if a tax rate is recalled, the compensating tax rate shall be levied; amend KRS 68.245, 75A.050, 132.018, 132.023, 132.027, and 160.470 to conform; make technical changes; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB42 (BR1078)/LM - M. Deneen, B. Storm, M. Nunn, C. Richardson

AN ACT relating to missing persons.

Amend KRS 15.440 to require law enforcement agencies to have written policies on referring missing persons case information to the Department of Kentucky State Police for submission into the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System; amend KRS 15.512 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB43 (BR1364) - D. Carroll, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to energy planning. Amend KRS 164.2807 to require that, as part of its annual report to the Legislative Research Commission, the Governor, and the Public Service Commission, the Energy Planning and Inventory Commission include a current inventory of the Commonwealth's existing electric generation and transmission resources, a forecast of changes in demand for those resources, and recommendations for how to address discrepancies between the current electric resource inventory and forecasted future demand.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB44 (BR1207)/LM - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Fire Commission, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 95A.020 to increase the Kentucky Fire Commission to 18 members by transferring the 4 ex-officio members to full member status and provide for terms of office of the non-appointive members; amend KRS 95A.262 to specify that the cancer screening reimbursements can be made from revenues allocated to the Firefighters Foundation Program fund pursuant to KRS 42.190 and 136.392; make an appropriation of \$3,924,000 to the Kentucky Community and Technical College System for various projects for the commission; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB45 (BR1060)/LM - R. Webb

AN ACT relating to agritourism. Amend KRS 247.801 to amend the definition of "agritourism activity"; define "working animal"; create a new section of KRS 247.800 to 247.810 to prohibit a city, town, county, or other political subdivision of the Commonwealth from restricting a person from engaging in an agritourism activity; require that an agritourism activity comply with public health and safety requirements and any existing law enforceable by police powers of local government.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB46 (BR1297) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins, S. Madon

AN ACT relating to school transportation and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 156.153 to permit schools to use non-school bus

passenger vehicles designed for 10, instead of 9, or fewer passengers; limit statewide driver qualification, training, and drug testing requirements to drivers of non-school bus passenger vehicles along regular bus routes and permit local school boards to adopt district policies on the use of those vehicles to and from approved school activities; exclude parents transporting students to and from school pursuant to a compensation agreement from the requirements of the section; amend KRS 160.380 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB47 (BR984) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to in the line of duty death benefits. Amend KRS 61.315 to define "rescue squad personnel"; expand eligibility for in the line of duty death benefits to rescue squad personnel; require the Division of Emergency Management to promulgate administrative regulations establishing necessary criteria and procedures; amend KRS 164.2841 to define "rescue squad personnel"; expand eligibility for tuition and fee exemption to dependents of rescue squad personnel who died in the line of duty; amend KRS 342.316 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB48 (BR1236)/CI - B. Storm, M. Deneen, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to mandatory reentry supervision. Amend KRS 439.3406 to prohibit an inmate from qualifying for mandatory reentry supervision if the inmate has previously been convicted of 2 or more offenses that would classify him or her as a violent offender under KRS 439.3401 or has been recommitted to prison for a violation of probation, shock probation, parole, or conditional discharge; require the Department of Corrections to produce an annual report on the results of the mandatory reentry supervision program by February 1 of each year.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB49 (BR1426) - G. Elkins, S. Rawlings

AN ACT relating to battery stewardship. Create new sections of Subchapter 50 of KRS Chapter 224 to define terms; prohibit the disposal of covered batteries in solid waste disposal or recycling containers; require the Energy and Environment Cabinet to establish the Covered Battery Stewardship Program; provide for the purposes of the program, including fostering the creation of voluntary battery stewardship organizations; provide for the collaboration with stakeholders in establishing the Covered Battery Stewardship Program; require the cabinet to maintain on its website a list of covered battery collection sites and contact information for transporters of covered batteries; establish the registration process and requirements

for voluntary battery stewardship organizations; establish minimum requirements for voluntary battery stewardship plans to be submitted to the cabinet for approval; require each voluntary battery stewardship organization to submit an annual report to the cabinet detailing its covered battery collection, recovery, and educational outreach efforts beginning June 30, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

SB51 (BR1114)/FN - M. Nemes, M. Wilson, J. Adams, J. Carpenter, J. Higdon, S. Madon, S. Meredith, A. Reed

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 homeowners who are 65 years of age or older from 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 acquired 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, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to State & Local Government (S)

SB52 (BR1157)/LM - S. Rawlings, G. Elkins, S. Funke Frommeyer, M. Nunn, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to ensuring fair permitting and licensing practices. Create new sections of KRS Chapter 61 to prohibit public agencies from denying permits or licenses for reasons not specified by law; implement a 30-day timeframe for ruling on applications for a permit or license if no time frame is otherwise specified by law; establish procedures for applications for a permit or license which are not ruled upon during the applicable timeframe or are denied; for appeal process.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB53 (BR392) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning. Amend KRS 100.275 to affirm that planning units and commissions and boards thereof may hold public hearings and accept public comments concerning the approval of subdivision plats and development plans.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB54 (BR1317) - R. Thomas

AN ACT relating to short-term rentals. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; allow local governments to regulate short-term rentals.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB55 (BR1061) - G. Elkins, S. Rawlings, S. Funke Frommeyer, L. Tichenor

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; provide that a governing body, a member or employee of a governing body, or any public or private entity that may be held liable for the actions of a governing body that makes any decision regarding its participation in an optional water fluoridation program shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for acts carried out reasonably and in good faith regarding its decision of whether to participate in the water fluoridation program.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB56 (BR1027) - 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; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes to the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB57 (BR1190) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to nuclear energy development. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Nuclear Reactor Site Readiness Pilot Program; define terms; require the Kentucky Nuclear Energy Development Authority

(authority) to annually submit recommendations to the General Assembly for awarding grant funding to eligible applicants for up to 1/3 of the actual costs incurred in applying for and procuring an early site permit, construction permit, or combined operating license from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, not to exceed \$25,000,000; establish eligibility requirements and scoring criteria for applications; require the authority to make eligibility determinations and objectively score grant applications; require that applicants procure a surety bond or other similar security to guarantee the repayment of the grant amounts in the event of forfeiture for eligibility; provide for forfeiture and repayment of grant funding if certain permitting, licensure, or commencement of construction timelines are not met; establish the Kentucky nuclear reactor site readiness pilot program fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 278 to allow a regulated utility to apply to the Public Service Commission for the recovery of costs not covered in its existing rates incurred in applying for and procuring an early site permit, construction permit, or combined operating license from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; prohibit the recovery of costs for any amounts that have been offset by grant funding from the Nuclear Reactor Site Readiness Pilot Program; amend KRS 164.2802 to require 12 hours of nuclear-related training for new and existing at-large voting members of the Kentucky Nuclear Energy Development Authority; allow the director or the chair of the authority to waive the training requirement for any member who can demonstrate adequate knowledge of nuclear-related issues; require that the authority include its evaluations, scores, and funding recommendations for the Nuclear Reactor Site Readiness Pilot Program with its annual report to the Governor and the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 164.2803 to allow fusion-related nuclear energy projects to be eligible for grant funding from the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB58 (BR273) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to diaper access programs.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 200 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Diaper Access Board and its functions related to the development of a state plan for the distribution of funds from the Kentucky diaper access trust fund; establish the Kentucky diaper access trust fund and the purposes for which funds are disbursed to diaper access programs in the Commonwealth.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB59 (BR25)/CI/LM - S. Rawlings, G. Elkins, A. Reed, L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to prohibited uses of tax dollars and resources.
Amend KRS 65.013 to define terms; expand the prohibition on using tax

dollars to advocate for or against a public question on the ballot to prohibit using any resources, and to explicitly apply prohibition to school districts, regional educational cooperatives, and recalls on a ballot; establish a criminal penalty and a prohibition against holding a position of public trust or profit for 10 years for a person found guilty of violating the prohibition; create a cause of action for a citizen aggrieved by a violation of the prohibition; establish a statute of limitations to commence suit and the appropriate venue; provide when the suit accrues; specify damages recoverable per violation; allow for class action; include a prohibition against holding a position of public trust or profit for 10 years for a person held civilly liable; amend KRS 48.025 and 132.017 to conform.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB60 (BR1709) - 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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB61 (BR1703) - C. Armstrong

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships and declaring an emergency.
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, 2026.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB62 (BR1710) - 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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB63 (BR1615) - G. Neal, R. Thomas

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 for a student journalist or student media advisor to seek injunctive relief; provide that the Act may be cited as the New Voices Act.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB64 (BR276) - G. Williams, S. Madon, M. Nemes

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Communications Network Authority and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 154.15-010 to remove the definition of "executive director" of the Kentucky Communications Network Authority (KCNA); amend KRS 154.15-020 to administratively attach the KCNA to the Finance and Administration Cabinet; remove references to the executive director and the advisory group of the KCNA; abolish the KCNA advisory group; remove references to KCNA staff and require the executive director of the Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT) to assign COT personnel to carry out the functions and responsibilities of the KCNA; require the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Treasurer, and the executive director of the Commonwealth Office of Technology serve as ex officio members on the board of directors for any nonprofit organization incorporated to carry out activities associated with the responsibilities of the KCNA or its board; amend KRS 154.15-030 to remove all current members of the KCNA board except for the representative designated by the Center for Rural Development and replace them with the chief information officer of the Department of Education, who shall serve as chair, the Attorney General, the Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Secretary of State, and the Treasurer, or their designees; amend KRS 42.726 to add carrying out the functions and responsibilities of the KCNA to the roles and duties of the COT; amend KRS 42.732 to remove the executive director of the KCNA from the Kentucky Information Technology Advisory Council; amend KRS 12.020, 12.023, and 42.014 to conform; require that on the effective date of the Act, all functions and responsibilities previously undertaken by KCNA personnel shall be transferred to existing COT personnel; require all records, files, or documents previously maintained by KCNA personnel to be transferred to the COT; require that the position of executive director of the KCNA shall be terminated on the effective date of the Act; allow the executive director of COT to determine on or before June 30,2026, which staff previous employed by KCNA shall be retained and employed by COT; EMERGENCY.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB66 (BR1170)/CI/LM - B. Storm

AN ACT relating to the operation of a motor vehicle.
Amend KRS 189A.010 to expand the list of controlled substances to include clonazepam, cyclobenzaprine, and fentanyl; amend KRS 189A.105 to provide a person shall be informed at the time blood test is requested that the fact of a refusal to submit to the 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 186.018 to require the Transportation Cabinet to destroy records of moving traffic convictions that are more than 10 years old.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB68 (BR1741) - A. Mays Bledsoe, J. Adams

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Horse Park.
Amend KRS 148.280 to allow the Kentucky Horse Park Commission, through its president, to eject or exclude any person whose participation in Olympic, Paralympic, or equestrian sports or activities has been restricted by the United States Center for SafeSport and any person who engages or has engaged in conduct that would negatively impact the safety and security of park attendees; allow the commission to promulgate administrative regulations regarding ejections and exclusions from park property.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB69 (BR1477) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to the autism spectrum disorder trust fund and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to allow a contribution to be made to the autism spectrum disorder trust fund through an income tax refund designation effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026; require the designation to be printed on the face of the individual income tax form; require a description of the trust fund in the individual income tax return instructions; require the Department of Revenue to transfer the funds designated to the autism spectrum disorder trust fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to create the autism spectrum disorder trust fund; amend KRS194A.624 to require the Advisory Council on Autism Spectrum Disorders to administer the trust fund; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislative Research Commission and to promulgate administrative regulations; EMERGENCY.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB70 (BR1681) - J. Higdon

AN ACT relating to the Public Pension Oversight Board.

Amend KRS 7A.220 to amend the membership and membership qualifications of the Public Pension Oversight Board by adding the chairs or vice chairs of the Senate State & Local Government Standing Committee and House State Government Standing Committee to the board, adding the State Treasurer to the membership, removing 1 of the gubernatorial appointees from the membership, and amending "retirement experience" requirements for appointed members to include experience in retirement plan management or policy by a former elected official; make technical and conforming changes; amend KRS 7A.255 to require the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to annually report line of duty death benefit payments to the Public Pension Oversight Board in addition to line of duty disability benefit payments; make technical amendments; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB71 (BR1669) - M. Deneen, G. Elkins

AN ACT relating to financial training requirements for local boards of education.

Amend KRS 160.180 to require all local school board members to receive 6 hours of in-service finance training every 2 years.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB72 (BR1588)/LM - D. Douglas, G. Boswell

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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB73 (BR1323) - J. Howell

AN ACT relating to tallow-based cosmetic products.

Amend KRS 217.015 to add tallow-based cosmetic products to the definition of "home-based processor"; amend KRS 217.136 to allow home-based

processors to produce tallow-based cosmetic products in accordance with the registration and regulation requirements set forth by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB74 (BR1391) - C. Richardson

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 prevention and cessation efforts.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB76 (BR1569) - A. Mays Bledsoe, J. Carpenter, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, D. Douglas, G. Elkins, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to local occupational license fees and taxes.

Amend KRS 68.180, 68.185, 160.482, and 160.607, relating to local occupational license fees, taxes, and limitations, to increase certain population thresholds from 300,000 to 500,000; EFFECTIVE August 1, 2026.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB77 (BR1266) - D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to ibogaine research in the Commonwealth, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 218A to define terms; establish the ibogaine research and intellectual property fund to be administered by the Department of Agriculture for the purpose of allowing the department to enter a public-private partnership with a drug developer to conduct a clinical drug development trial or trials related to the use of ibogaine for the treatment of opioid use disorder, co-occurring substance use disorder, or any other neurological or mental health condition for which ibogaine demonstrates efficacy; establish requirements for the department related to how it contracts with a drug developer related to ibogaine research and intellectual property; appropriate \$21 million from the opioid abatement trust fund to the ibogaine research and intellectual property development fund in fiscal year 2026-2027 and in fiscal year 2027-2028; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB78 (BR324)/AA/HM/LM/SP - D. Douglas

AN ACT relating to health care provider credentialing.

Create a new section of Subtitle 12 of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; consolidate and modify existing credentialing requirements; require insurers and providers to use the

Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH) credentialing form; prohibit insurers from requiring or otherwise requesting a provider to disclose any information that is not requested on the CAQH form or that relates to a provider's former or current health condition under certain circumstances; prohibit insurers from requiring a provider to be board certified; amend KRS 18A.225 to require the state employee health plan to comply with the credentialing requirements; amend KRS 205.560 to conform; amend KRS 216B.155 to conform and to prohibit health care facilities licensed under KRS Chapter 216B from requiring or otherwise requesting a provider to disclose a former or current health condition under certain circumstances; amend KRS 304.17A-545 and 311.6207 to conform; repeal KRS 304.17A-525 and 304.17A-576, relating to credentialing to consolidate provisions; direct that certain provisions apply to contracts issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act; require administrative bodies to amend any administrative regulations that conflict with the Act.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB79 (BR1470)/LM - J. Adams

AN ACT proposing an amendment to 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 from voting who are determined to be mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction and such determination has not been set aside; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB80 (BR274)/LM - J. Higdon, K. Herron

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to restoration of rights.

Propose to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky to restore the voting rights of persons convicted of certain felonies after completion of imprisonment, probation, or parole; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB81 (BR1704) - C. Armstrong

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 6; 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 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB82 (BR1295) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations for medications for substance use disorder and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 13A to find 201 KAR 9:270 and 201 KAR 20:065 deficient and void; create new sections of KRS Chapters 311, 313, 314, and 315 to establish that the State Board of Medical Licensure, Board of Dentistry, Kentucky Board of Nursing, and Kentucky Board of Pharmacy shall not promulgate administrative regulations that restrict or limit the prescribing, dispensing, or administering of buprenorphine-mono-product, buprenorphine-combined-with-naloxone, or any other Schedule III, IV, or V medication approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of a substance use disorder; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB83 (BR871) - G. Neal

AN ACT relating to forcible entry and detainer.

Create a new section of KRS 383.200 to 383.285 to require expungement of records in forcible detainer actions that are dismissed; allow for the expungement of the name of an unemancipated minor improperly named as a defendant in forcible detainer actions; amend KRS 383.250 to provide for sealing of records; direct that the required expungement of records of dismissed actions applies to forcible detainer actions brought on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB84 (BR1668) - M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to timely emergency response by coroners, making an appropriation therefor and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 39A to require the county coroners, in consultation with the Kentucky Coroners Association, to create emergency response areas and equip each district with an emergency response trailer with necessary equipment to adequately respond to a multiple fatality event; require the Division of Emergency Management to promulgate administrative regulations; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB85 (BR1087) - R. Webb, D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to designating a special needs trust to receive state-administered 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 "beneficiary" to include a SNT; amend KRS 16.578 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement payment if a member dies before retirement; 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 61.690 to allow a recipient or legal representative to direct retirement benefits to be paid to a SNT and clarify that it is not an assignment or transfer; 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 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB86 (BR1240)/CI/LM - P. Wheeler, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, S. Madon, S. Meredith, R. Mills, M. Nunn, A. Reed

AN ACT relating to state and local collaboration with federal immigration law enforcement.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define "Jail Enforcement Model," "Task Force Model," and "Warrant Service Officer Model"; require local law enforcement and the Kentucky State Police to enter into agreements with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to participate in programs established under section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. sec. 1357.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB90 (BR1209)/CI - B. Storm, M. Deneen

AN ACT relating to the behavioral health conditional dismissal program.
Amend KRS 533.272 to extend the behavioral health conditional dismissal program pilot project until January 1, 2031; amend KRS 533.288 to extend the Behavioral Health Conditional Dismissal Program Implementation Council until December 31, 2031; amend 2022 Ky. Acts ch. 230, sec. 13, to establish that moneys appropriated for the behavioral health conditional dismissal program through June 30, 2026, shall not lapse and shall be carried forward.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB91 (BR459)/LM - S. Rawlings, L. Tichenor, G. Williams

AN ACT relating to standardizing real property tax bills.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 134 to require use of a standardized form for all real property tax bills; require the Department of Revenue to prescribe the form and make it available to all taxing districts that levy a property tax on real property; specify provisions to be included on the form; exempt certificates of delinquency and third-party purchasers from the form requirements.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB92 (BR996) - J. Adams

AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for palliative care.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require Medicaid coverage for palliative care services; establish eligibility criteria and service requirements; require the Department for Medicaid Services to promulgate administrative regulations; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes to the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB93 (BR1142)/LM - C. Armstrong

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to Medicaid expansion.
Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to enshrine Medicaid expansion coverage; direct the Secretary of State to advertise the proposed constitutional amendment prior to a general election vote; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB94 (BR410) - M. Wilson, A. Reed, M. Deneen, D. Givens, M. Nemes, B. Storm, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle dealers.
Amend KRS 190.046 to define "parts,"

"qualifying repair," "qualifying repair order," "repair order," "warranty," and "warranty work"; establish requirements for dealer performance of warranty work, including time allowances, labor rates, parts markups, and payment procedures and terms.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB95 (BR1603) - S. Madon, M. Nunn

AN ACT relating to school transportation and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 156.153 to permit schools to use non-school bus passenger vehicles designed for 10, instead of 9, or fewer passengers; limit statewide driver qualification, training, and drug testing requirements to drivers of non-school bus passenger vehicles along regular bus routes; EMERGENCY.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB96 (BR499) - G. Neal, R. Thomas, C. Armstrong, K. Berg, G. Clemons

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, 2027.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB101 (BR1128)/CI - M. Nunn, S. Madon, G. Boswell, M. Deneen, S. Funke Frommeyer, S. Rawlings, A. Reed, C. Richardson, L. Tichenor, M. Wise

AN ACT relating to children.
Amend KRS 158.150 to require a local board of education to expel a student for at least 12 months if the student intentionally causes physical injury to educational personnel at a school or school function; amend KRS 158.155 to require that school employees report attempted assault of any school employee to law enforcement; amend KRS 158.990 to provide for penalties for any person who intentionally violates KRS 158.155; amend KRS 610.200 to provide that a peace officer is not required to retain custody of a child for a felony violation of assault in the third degree; amend KRS 635.020 to provide that a child 14 years of age or older who is charged with a felony violation of assault in the third degree may be tried as an adult.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SB181 (BR175) - L. Tichenor

AN ACT relating to schools and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 160.145 to expand existing definitions and define "private electronic communication" and "qualified school volunteer"; limit the scope of

unauthorized electronic communication to private electronic communication and exclude designated types of communication from the scope of the requirement to obtain written parental consent prior to communicating outside of the traceable communication system; limit the scope of the school volunteers subject to this section to qualified school volunteers; specify that the requirement to obtain written parental consent only applies to students enrolled within the same school district as the school district employee or qualified school volunteer; permit a local school district more flexibility in disciplinary actions arising from a violation of this section; permit a written parental consent form to designate more than 1 school district employee or qualified school volunteer; provide that the written consent may be revoked by the parent who filed the consent; require notice of the revocation to be sent to the identified school district employee or qualified school volunteer; prohibit a school or school district from refusing to accept parental consent forms; prohibit requiring parental consent forms under this section as a requirement for a student to participate in an academic, athletic, or extracurricular opportunity; provide an emergency exception to permit a school district employee or qualified school volunteer to communicate electronically without prior written parental consent if the individual discloses the communication after the fact; permit a school district to reconsider allowing previously prohibited volunteers; 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 unauthorized electronic communication or 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 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 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 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 5 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 156.095 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop a training related to sexual misconduct and inappropriate relationships for employees to undergo every 5 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, 156.492, and 158.200 to conform; provide that Section 2 may be cited as Erin's Law; EMERGENCY.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

Senate Resolutions

SR1 (BR1195) - M. Wise

Establish the 2026 membership of the Kentucky State Senate.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR2 (BR1193) - M. Wise

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2026 Regular Session of the Senate.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR3 (BR1197) - M. Wise

Extend an invitation to the pastors of Frankfort churches to open sessions of the 2026 Regular Session with prayer.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S); adopted by voice vote

SR4 (BR1355) - C. Armstrong, K. Berg

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Minnesota State House Speaker Emerita Melissa Hortman.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR7 (BR1089) - C. Armstrong, K. Berg, D. Givens, S. Meredith

Condemn political violence and affirm the peaceful exercise of democracy in

the Commonwealth.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR8 (BR1491) - C. Armstrong

Urge appropriate legislative committees, state agencies, and educational authorities to explore opportunities to formally honor and educate the public about the lives and contributions of great Kentuckians.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SCR9 (BR988) - S. Meredith

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to procure a vendor to conduct a feasibility study for an Accountable Communities for Health Medicaid delivery model pilot project; require the results of the study to be submitted to the Legislative Research Commission by November 1, 2026; strongly encourage the Legislative Research Commission to begin the procurement process immediately upon the adoption of this Resolution; establish that a pilot project resulting from the feasibility study shall be known as the 20 by 30 Accountable Care Pilot Project.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Health Services (S)

SR10 (BR1271) - K. Herron, B. Storm, L. Tichenor

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of the victims of UPS Airlines Flight 2976, and recognize the efforts of first responders and other agencies that responded to the crash.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor Jan 13, 2026 - adopted by voice vote

SJR11 (BR1231) - B. Smith

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of Kentucky Route 7 in Perry County as the Jean Ritchie Memorial Highway.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 13, 2026 - to Transportation (S)

SR12 (BR390) - M. Wise

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of James Allen Ewing.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SCR13 (BR1474) - B. Storm

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Aviation Economic Development Task Force and direct it to study and make recommendations; establish membership and meetings; direct the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative

Research Commission by December 1, 2026.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR14 (BR1183) - R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of David Delvin Drake.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor Jan 13, 2026 - adopted by voice vote

SR15 (BR1540) - R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Joyce Laverne Johnson.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2026 - to Senate Floor; adopted by voice vote

SR16 (BR1138) - M. Wise

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of C. Ronald Wise.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SJR17 (BR1221) - M. Wise, R. Mills, B. Storm

Apply to Congress under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States for the calling of a convention for proposing amendments that limit the terms of office for members of Congress; state that the application should be aggregated with the applications of other states limited for the purposes identified in the application; state that the application should be a continuing application until a convention is called.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR18 (BR1459) - J. Higdon, B. Smith

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Carolyn Greenwell Haydon and Joseph "Jodie" Albert Haydon.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR19 (BR46) - J. Higdon, M. Wise

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Leigh Caroline Reed.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR20 (BR1457) - J. Higdon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Leonard "Len" Marion Spalding, Jr.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR21 (BR1456) - J. Higdon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory

of Dixie P. Hibbs.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR22 (BR1454) - J. Higdon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Brian Jay Hatt.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SJR23 (BR1556) - S. Funke Frommeyer, D. Douglas, L. Tichenor

Declare Kentucky to be a Food is Medicine state and direct state agencies to advance Food is Medicine initiatives.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR24 (BR1613) - G. Neal

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Myra Friend-Ellis.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 09, 2026 - to Senate Floor; adopted by voice vote

SR25 (BR1442) - B. Storm

Honor Donna Sue Baker for her service to her community and the Commonwealth.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 13, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SJR26 (BR23) - S. Rawlings, G. Williams, 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, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SJR27 (BR1476) - B. Storm

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a bridge on Kentucky Route 363 in Laurel County as the Les Leatherman Memorial Bridge.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 13, 2026 - to Transportation (S)

SR28 (BR1611) - G. Neal

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Charles William "Mickey" Kennedy.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S) Jan 13, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR29 (BR1612) - G. Neal

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Edward Todd, Jr.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR30 (BR1458) - J. Higdon

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of John William "Willie" Ellery.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR31 (BR1621) - A. Mays Bledsoe, S. Madon, C. Armstrong

Recognize Thursday, January 29, 2026, as Suits and Sneakers Day; and honor those impacted by cancer.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR32 (BR1665) - G. Elkins, S. Madon, J. Carpenter, D. Douglas, A. Mays Bledsoe, M. Nunn, B. Smith, B. Storm, R. Thomas, S. West

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Tatum Elizabeth Dale.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Senate Floor

SR33 (BR1648) - R. Thomas

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Robert E. "Bob" Purnell, Sr.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR34 (BR1182) - R. Thomas

Honor the life and accomplishments of former Governor Martha Layne Collins.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR35 (BR1560) - G. Elkins

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of Jerry Carol Edwards, Jr.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR36 (BR1696) - D. Douglas

Recognize January 25 to 31, 2026, as Physician Anesthesiologist Week.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

SR37 (BR1587) - P. Wheeler, A. Reed, G. Boswell, D. Carroll, D. Douglas, J. Higdon, J. Howell, S. Madon, S. Meredith, M. Nunn

Recognize the United States of America's elite Delta Force for the successful capture of Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in Senate; to Committee on Committees (S)

House Bills

HB3 (BR1086) - A. Neighbors, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to reimbursements 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 for Medicaid to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes to the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB4 (BR60)/CI/LM - M. Proctor, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to grooming a minor.
-Create a new section of KRS Chapter 510 to establish the offense of grooming a minor; amend KRS 510.010 to define "course of conduct," "grooming behavior," and "sexual conduct"; amend various sections to conform; make technical corrections.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB11 (BR944)/LM - J. Bauman

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 from a persistently underperforming school district; define terms; establish the process for a local legislative body where a persistently underperforming school district is located to place the question of creating new independent districts and local boards of education on the ballot; specify the requirements for the questions 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 new independent districts; authorize the originating district to maintain control and use of assets until the scheduled transfer to the new independent districts and authorize the continued payments of debts; establish a negotiation process between the originating district and the new independent districts 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 originating district to continue to assess and collect taxes for all districts until the

close of the tax year in which the new independent districts are fully operational; provide for the distribution of collected taxes during the transition period; require the county judge/executive to call the newly elected interim boards of new independent districts to meet; allow the interim board to request assistance from the Kentucky Department of Education; establish the transition process for new independent districts 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 requirements of the plan; create a new section of KRS Chapter 157, relating to state formula funding calculations, to establish a projection model for the first year of full operations of the new independent district and the altered originating district.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB12 (BR164)/LM - L. Burke, T. Bojanowski, A. Camuel, A. Donworth, P. Stevenson

AN ACT relating to privacy for members of the General Assembly.
Amend KRS 61.7991 to add current members of the General Assembly and their immediate family members to the definition of "covered person"; authorize standing for a civil action for injunctive or declaratory relief for unauthorized disclosure; provide that the removal of information does not apply to required disclosures under KRS Chapter 6 or 61.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to State Government (H)

HB13 (BR1340) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to the individual income tax rate.
Amend KRS 141.020 to establish a graduated tax rate for net income of \$300,000 or less; establish a flat tax rate of 6% for net incomes in excess of \$300,000; and remove provisions relating to tax rate reduction procedures.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB14 (BR1504) - L. Burke, A. Camuel, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to the rural hospital operations and facilities revolving loan fund, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
Appropriate \$355,000,000 in fiscal year 2026-27 to the rural hospital operations and facilities revolving loan fund; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB15 (BR1441)/LM - L. Burke, A. Camuel

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to Medicaid expansion.
Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to enshrine Medicaid expansion coverage; direct the Secretary of State to advertise the proposed constitutional amendment prior to a general election vote; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

HB16 (BR1302) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to Medicaid.
Amend KRS 205.520 to establish that it is the policy of the Commonwealth to provide Medicaid eligibility for all residents of the Commonwealth who may be eligible under federal law; amend KRS 205.6312 to require the establishment of cost-sharing requirements in the Medicaid program to the extent required under federal law; require the Governor to commission an independent third-party analysis of the current Medicaid expansion; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB17 (BR1507) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to one-time payments to school district employees, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
Direct local school districts to provide a one-time payment of \$2,000 to certified employees, excluding superintendents, in each year of the 2026-2028 biennium, and a one-time payment of \$1,000 to classified employees in each year of the 2026-2028 biennium; appropriate \$153 million from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund account in each year of the 2026-2028 biennium to the Learning and Results Services budget unit to provide the payments; authorize the Department of Education to pro rata reduce payments if

the appropriation is insufficient;
APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB18 (BR255)/LM - L. Burke, A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to the safe ownership of firearms.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to define "ammunition" and "firearm"; 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; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish civil liability against a person who fails to report the loss or theft of a firearm if knowingly another person is injured by the use of the lost or stolen firearm; establish civil liability against a person who furnishes a firearm to a minor if the minor causes the injury or death of another by the use of the firearm; amend KRS 411.155 to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Judiciary (H)

HB19 (BR1345) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to school district employees and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 157.420 to preclude the Kentucky Board of Education from approving the working budget or salary schedule of a local board of education unless it incorporates a salary increase for certified and classified staff consistent with the percent increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U); EMERGENCY; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2026.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB20 (BR802)/AA/HM/LM/SP - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to coverage for reproductive health care.
Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to require health benefit plans to provide coverage for in vitro fertilization, intrauterine insemination, and any other assisted reproductive technology; establish minimum requirements for the coverage; suspend the coverage requirement's application to qualified health plans if the state would be required to make cost defrayal payments; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to conform; amend KRS 164.2871 and 18A.225 to require 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 assisted reproductive technology coverage requirement; direct that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to

Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB21 (BR258)/AA/HM/LM/SP - L. Burke, A. Camuel

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 304.17A-099 to conform; amend KRS 205.522, 205.6485, 164.2871, and 18A.225 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, 2027; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or Department for Medicaid Services to obtain federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary and comply with notice requirements; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes in the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1); EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB22 (BR253)/CI/LM - L. Burke, A. Camuel

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 center 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, 311.780, 311.810, 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, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Judiciary (H)

HB23 (BR252) - L. Burke, A. Camuel

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 outside of the Commonwealth; establish a civil cause of action for violations; waive sovereign immunity protections of the Commonwealth.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Judiciary (H)

HB24 (BR256)/LM - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to employment schedules.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 to require employers to give employees a good-faith estimate of the employee's work schedule, maintain a voluntary standby list of employees who wish to work additional hours, post weekly schedules at least 7 days in advance, and 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.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB25 (BR1069)/AA/HM/LM/SP - L. Burke, A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to coverage for scalp cooling systems used in connection with chemotherapy treatment for breast cancer.
Create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require health plans to provide coverage for scalp cooling systems used in connection with chemotherapy treatment

for breast cancer; suspend the coverage requirement's application to qualified health plans if the state would be required to make cost defrayal payments; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to conform; amend KRS 304.17C-125, 164.2871, and 18A.225 to require limited health service benefit plans, 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 scalp cooling systems; provide that certain provisions apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB26 (BR254)/LM - L. Burke

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 injury.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB27 (BR1070) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to contributions made to a Kentucky Saves account.
Amend KRS 141.019 to establish an individual income tax exclusion for amounts contributed to a Kentucky Saves account for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2027, but before January 1, 2031; create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the parameters for the Kentucky Saves exclusion and to establish the Kentucky Saves tax credit; define terms; require the Department of Revenue to report annually on the exclusion and tax credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide ordering of the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report on the exclusion and tax credit.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB28 (BR1303) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to education opportunity accounts.
Repeal various sections of KRS Chapter 141 to repeal the Education Opportunity Account Program; amend KRS 141.0205 and 131.190 to conform.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Jan 13, 2026 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

HB29 (BR257)/LM - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to leave from employment.
Amend KRS 337.415 to define "crime," "immediate family," and "victim"; prohibit employers from discharging or retaliating against an employee who is a crime victim when the employee takes leave to attend proceedings associated with the prosecution of the 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, or failure to maintain confidentiality; amend KRS 337.990 to establish penalties for violations by an employer.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

HB30 (BR251) - L. Burke

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 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Judiciary (H)

HB31 (BR102) - A. Moore, A. Camuel, S. Stalker

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 the Commonwealth of Kentucky from purchasing additional single-family homes in the Commonwealth of Kentucky 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; exempt nonprofit corporations from prohibition on the purchase of single-family homes; 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 actions.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Judiciary (H)

HB32 (BR101)/AA/HM/LM/SP - A. Moore, E. Hancock, R. Bivens, A. Camuel, A. Donworth, J. Payne, R. Roarx, A. Thompson, M. Whitaker

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 at least 2 medically necessary epinephrine devices per covered person; 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, 2027; 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; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes in the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1); EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB33 (BR1330) - A. Moore, S. Sharp, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to data privacy.
Amend KRS 367.3611 to define "automated-decision system," "base price," "individualized data," and "surveillance pricing"; amend KRS 367.3617 to prohibit any controller under the Kentucky Consumer Data Protection Act from engaging in surveillance pricing, or offering, setting, or displaying a price for a good or service to a consumer using an automated-decision system that is based, in whole or in part, on individualized data; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Price Fairness Act.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Small Business & Information Technology (H)

HB34 (BR1090) - K. Banta, C. Aull, D. Gordon, J. Hodgson, A. Moore, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to death benefits.
Amend KRS 61.315 to include additional cancers which, when they are the cause of death of a firefighter, would make the firefighter eligible for death benefits; make a technical correction.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Local Government (H)

HB35 (BR1489) - K. Banta, J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to scholarship eligibility for proprietary schools.
Amend KRS 164.786 to include a proprietary school in the definition of "participating institution" for the purpose of the Dual Credit Scholarship Program; amend KRS 164.787 to include a proprietary school in the definition of "eligible institution" for the purpose of the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship Program.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Primary and Secondary Education (H)

HB36 (BR1092) - S. Bratcher, V. Grossl, A. Thompson

AN ACT relating to respiratory care.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 314A to enact and enter into the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact with all other jurisdictions that legally join in the compact; declare the purpose of the compact; define terms; establish participation requirements; recognize a licensure privilege and establish requirements; designate home state licensure for active military members; establish penalties and adverse actions against a licensee; establish the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact Commission; create membership rules, establish voting requirements, and permit the commission 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB37 (BR480)/AA - M. Lehman, C. Aull, M. Clines, R. Roarx

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, 2027, 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, 2027, or whose participation is presumed under Section 1 of 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 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB38 (BR1028) - M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to alcohol licensure.
Amend KRS 243.042 to authorize a qualified historic site licensee to sell alcoholic beverages by the package in a jurisdiction that has authorized the sale of distilled spirits and wine by the package; amend KRS 243.238 to allow a qualified historic site license to be added to the list of approved licenses that are eligible for obtaining a special permit to sell limited barrel picks; amend KRS 243.110 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB39 (BR483) - M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to pari-mutuel wagering.
Amend KRS 230.210 to redefine "pari-mutuel wagering" to place amounts wagered in 1 or more pari-mutuel pools from which winning wagers are paid out in proportion to the individual winning wagers; allow statutory and Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation pari-mutuel pool deductions and adjustments; make pari-mutuel pools available to all patrons on equitable terms, with no advantages given to a particular patron or class of patron.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB40 (BR478) - M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to providing free feminine hygiene products to elementary and secondary students.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "feminine hygiene product"; require each public school and public charter school that includes any of grades 4 through 12 to provide free feminine hygiene products to female students; require each local board of education and public charter school board of directors to adopt policies relating to the distribution of free feminine hygiene products.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB41 (BR481) - M. Lehman

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, county, special district, school district, or special purpose governmental entity to use the alternative publication procedures.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB42 (BR482) - M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to intercollegiate athletics in the Commonwealth.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to declare findings; set mandated annual varsity athletic game requirements for the University of Kentucky, the University of Louisville, Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, and Western Kentucky University in various sports; ensure existing contracts of public postsecondary institutions are not violated.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB43 (BR920) - D. Gordon, M. Clines, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to deputy coroner training.
Amend KRS 72.415 to allow the

commissioner of the Department of Criminal Justice Training 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 provisions relating to reinstatement and pay modification of deputy coroners who fail to complete the required training.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB44 (BR317) - C. Lewis, E. Callaway, P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, J. Hodgson, T. Huff, J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to robotics.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; establish the robotics competition fund; establish the Robotics Funding Selection Committee to award grants from the fund to eligible robotics teams competition sponsors; establish committee membership, duties, and set terms; require the Kentucky Department of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to establish procedures for grant applications and distribution of awards by April 1, 2027; set requirements for grant applications; require annual report by August 1 to Legislative Research Commission; provide for initial staggering of appointments; require the committee to hold its first meeting by October 15, 2026; provide that the Act may be cited as the Advanced Manufacturing Through Robotics Education Act.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB45 (BR869) - D. Gordon, M. Clines

AN ACT relating to the licensure of certified public accountants.
Amend KRS 325.261 to include additional optional requirements to be considered for licensure; amend KRS 325.282 to allow practice privileges to a person who does not have an office located in the state and holds a valid license in good standing from another state if certain conditions are met; amend KRS 325.280 to conform; repeal KRS 325.263.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB46 (BR919) - D. Gordon, N. Wilson, K. Banta

AN ACT relating to inheritance tax exemptions.
Amend KRS 140.080 to exempt Class B beneficiaries from inheritance taxation when receiving property from a decedent who died on or after January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB47 (BR1139) - T. Roberts, S. Baker, K. Banta, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, J. Calloway, D. Fister, P. Flannery, J. Gooch Jr., M. Hart, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, W. Lawrence, M. Lockett, M. Pollock, M. Proctor, S. Sharp, N. Tate, W. Thomas, R. White

AN ACT relating to federal

immigration law enforcement.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 16 to define "Task Force Model Program"; require Kentucky State Police posts to enter into agreements with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to participate in the Task Force Model Program; require Kentucky State Police officers who participate in the Task Force Model Program to complete Immigration and Customs Enforcement training; amend KRS 15.404 to provide that any peace officer who completes Immigration and Customs Enforcement training will be deemed to have completed annual in-service training; require the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to certify the Immigration Authority Delegation Program as an approved in-service training program.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB48 (BR1125) - A. Neighbors

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; 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 5 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 an 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB49 (BR1353) - E. Callaway, J. Hodgson, T. Huff, M. Koch, C. Lewis, M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to professional engineering and land surveying scholarships.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 322 to establish and grant scholarships through the Kentucky professional

engineer and professional land surveyor incentive scholarship fund; declare legislative intent to address engineer and land surveyor development and needs by providing Kentucky residents with postsecondary scholarships; establish the Kentucky professional engineer and professional land surveyor incentive scholarship fund as a trust and agency accounts direct the engineer and land surveyor board to administer the fund and award scholarships to qualified applicants; require a written contract between the board and the recipient where the recipient agrees to obtain engineer or land surveyor licensure within 6 years of graduation and practice in Kentucky for at least 1 year for each year of scholarships granted; acquire moneys for the fund through penalties and fines, assessments from license renewals, and the board's budgeted funds; make the applicant's failure to complete the terms of the contract subject to recovery of the fund assistance, attorney's fees, and 8% annual interest; require the board to annually report its scholarship data to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on Licensing, Occupations, and Administrative Regulations.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB50 (BR1169)/LM - E. Callaway, S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to the removal of persons unlawfully occupying real property.
Amend KRS 383.290 to include consolidated local government law enforcement agencies and require posting in a conspicuous location.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB51 (BR990) - S. Baker, J. Hodgson, K. King

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 or resolution introduced during a regular or extraordinary session of the Kentucky General Assembly; define terms; establish procedures.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB52 (BR992) - S. Baker, J. Hodgson

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 2027-2028 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB53 (BR1547) - A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to legislative ethics. Amend KRS 6.691 to increase the maximum penalty that may be imposed by the Legislative Ethics Commission from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB54 (BR134)/LM - A. Donworth, A. Moore, D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to election districts. 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; establish a \$20,000 fine upon conviction of persons attempting to influence, or commissioners accepting influence, relating to 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB55 (BR1171) - D. Fister

AN ACT relating to the rights of parents. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 405 to define "child" and "parent"; establish specific fundamental rights of parents relating to care, custody, and control of their children, including the

right and duty to make decisions regarding a child's use of cellular phones; provide a cause of action against the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions for violations of a parent's fundamental rights.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB56 (BR1210) - D. Fister

AN ACT relating to programs administered by the Department of Agriculture. Amend KRS 247.234 to require amusement rides and attractions business registrants and insurance carriers to notify the Department of Agriculture of each intended operating site that is open to the public and specify that the tag issued upon inspection will be valid for 1 year from the date of issue; amend KRS 251.355 establish a process for the Department of Agriculture to issue violation notice and assess civil fines before the suspension or revocation of a grain dealer's license; permits a licensee to contest the violation notice with the Department of Agriculture prior to appeal to either the Franklin Circuit Court or to the respondent's local circuit court; amend KRS 260.600 to update the expiration of an egg dealer license to January 31, in accordance with similar licenses issued by the Department of Agriculture; amend KRS 246.220 and 260.540 to conform; repeal KRS 248.005, 248.010, 248.015, 248.025, 248.035, 248.280, 248.290, 248.300, 248.310, 248.320, 248.330, 248.340, 248.350, 248.353, 248.355, 248.370, 248.380, 248.391, 248.400, 248.410, 248.420, 248.430, 248.440, 248.450, 248.460, 248.990, relating to tobacco; repeal KRS 260.570, relating to the Egg Marketing Board.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB57 (BR805) - D. Fister, R. Bivens

AN ACT relating to sales and use tax. Amend KRS 139.480, relating to the sales and use taxes, to exempt bees used in a commercial enterprise for the production of honey or wax for sale or for the pollination of crops, and certain items used in that pursuit; EFFECTIVE August 1, 2026.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB58 (BR14)/CI - J. Hodgson, J. Decker, S. Baker, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, J. Bray, L. Burke, E. Callaway, D. Grossberg, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to privacy protection. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define terms related to automated license plate readers; restrict use of automated license plate readers; establish limitations on use and sale of data captured by automated license plate readers; provide that captured license plate data may be retained longer than 90 days only if it is being used in a criminal or insurance investigation or has become subject to a preservation of evidence notification;

require law enforcement agencies to adopt and make public a written policy governing use of automated license plate readers; provide that any recorded images or data captured by an automated license plate reader may be made available to the National Insurance Crime Bureau or its successor organization; require the Transportation Cabinet to establish a permit process for installation of automated license plate readers on highway rights-of-way and to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 189.990 to establish penalty for violation.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB59 (BR80)/LM - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, K. Banta, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, D. Grossberg, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to health care billing practices. Repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 216B.250 as a new section of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; require health facilities and other health care providers to provide itemized health care statements in certain circumstances; specify the contents of the health care statements; require that health care statements contain information about price classifications and claims made with third-party payors; prohibit health facilities and providers from charging for the health care statements; establish means by which patients may request a health care statement to be furnished; require health facilities and providers to make public postings and have appropriate staff available to respond to questions and resolve disputes; make conforming amendments; prohibit health facilities and other providers from requesting or accepting a total payment for health care services that exceeds an agreed-upon price or the amount the facility or provider is entitled to receive under state or federal law; authorize the Attorney General to enforce certain state and federal laws regulating health care prices; allow a violation to be cured for good-faith errors; establish causes of action and penalties for violation of health care billing requirements; authorize the Attorney General to enforce health care billing requirements; specify that remedies and penalties are cumulative; authorize the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations to effectuate or aid in the effectuation of health care billing requirements; amend KRS 304.14-410, 304.32-1551, 214.556, 216B.990, and 216B.300 to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB60 (BR17)/CI - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, T. Huff, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to geoengineering. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 512 to 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 prohibition on criminal atmospheric pollution; require an arresting officer to issue a notice to any federal agency that approved the action that those activities cannot be lawfully carried out in the Commonwealth.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB61 (BR13) - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, R. Bivens, J. Calloway, P. Griffee, D. Grossberg, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 39A to create the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer Corps (KEV Corps); establish KEV Corps eligibility, supervision, training requirements, uniform details, and prohibitions; create the Kentucky Emergency Volunteer 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, urban-county government, or charter county government the use of the KEV Corps; amend KRS 39C.110 to include KEV Corps protections relating to limited liability.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB62 (BR201)/CI - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to unlawful employment. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 434 to define "unauthorized alien"; establish the crime of unlawful employment as a Class A misdemeanor.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB63 (BR15)/CI - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, D. Grossberg, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to privacy protection. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms, establish limitations on disseminating "deep fakes," and specify exceptions; 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB64 (BR16)/CI - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, S. Bratcher, J. Bray, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, J. Decker, D. Grossberg, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to identification devices.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms; 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB65 (BR29) - 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 1 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 maintenance of state roads covered under the cooperative agreement.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB66 (BR79) - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, R. Bivens, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, J. Decker, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis, M. Lockett, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to video teleconference meetings.
Amend KRS 12.070 to permit a board, commission, or similar administrative body to conduct video teleconference meetings to allow public participation; allow members of a board, commission, or similar administrative body to attend meetings virtually unless a decision implements, interprets, or prescribes law or policy, affects private rights or procedures available to the public, or administers or awards funds; prohibit members who participate virtually from receiving reimbursement for travel expenses; amend KRS 61.826 to prohibit a member of a public agency that attends a meeting through video teleconference from receiving reimbursement of travel expenses; amend KRS 164.004 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB68 (BR160)/LM - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, S. Bratcher, J. Decker, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning.
Create a new section of KRS 100.401 to 100.419 to specify that if a land use development plan or subdivision plan is for a proposed development adjacent to a county not part of the planning unit and the development would have a substantial impact on the infrastructure of that county, then the planning unit shall require as a binding element of the plan application an agreement from the other county approving the plan.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB69 (BR995)/LM - J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to housing and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A, relating to affordable housing, to define terms; require agencies that expend state or federal affordable housing funds to expend at least 90% of those funds on single-family detached housing and no more than 10% of those funds on multifamily housing in any given fiscal year; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB70 (BR1351) - J. Hodgson

AN ACT relating to identity documents.
Amend KRS 186.4102 and 281A.170 to require the Transportation Cabinet to place a denotation on every new or renewal identity document issued after January 1, 2027, that indicates the status of the document holder as a citizen of the United States or a noncitizen authorized to be in the United States; amend KRS 186.531 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB71 (BR954) - R. Roarx

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 prefilled bills and resolutions to be published on the Legislative Research Commission's website.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB72 (BR957)/AA/LM - R. Roarx

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB73 (BR956)/LM - R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to interest on medical debt.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 360 to define "medical debt"; establish a maximum interest rate of 3% 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 3% on judgments rendered in an action to collect medical debt; make technical amendments; amend KRS 216B.250 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB74 (BR1256)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, F. Rabourn

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; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB75 (BR1435)/LM - T. Roberts, K. Banta, J. Calloway, M. Proctor

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 1 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.
Propose to amend Section 1 of the Constitution of Kentucky to provide citizens of the Commonwealth the right to exempt from property taxation a property owned and maintained solely as their primary residence and a motor vehicle owned and maintained solely as their primary vehicle after calendar year 2028; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB76 (BR145)/CI/LM - T. Roberts, K. Banta, J. Calloway, D. Fister, K. Holloway, C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to pretrial release.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 431 to define terms; provide that a person shall not be eligible for pretrial release until he or she can provide proof of citizenship or that he or she is lawfully permitted to be in the United States; provide that a person shall not be held for longer than 48 hours due to his or her inability to provide proof of citizenship or permission to be in the United States; require a law enforcement agency, jail, or regional jail that has custody of a person who cannot provide proof of citizenship or that he or she is lawfully permitted to be in the United States to immediately notify the United States Department of Homeland Security to determine if the person is a citizen, lawfully permitted to be in the United States, or subject to a United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainer; provide that the lack of proof of citizenship or permission to be in the

United States shall be considered when completing a pretrial risk assessment.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB77 (BR246) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, F. Rabourn

AN ACT relating to ex parte orders.
Create a new section of KRS 237.060 to 237.090 to prohibit ex parte orders that restrict the ability of a person to possess firearms and ammunition, firearm accessories, holsters, or firearm storage devices; amend KRS 403.730 and 456.040 to prohibit emergency protective orders and temporary interpersonal protective orders that restrict the ability of a person to possess firearms and ammunition, firearm accessories, holsters, or firearm storage devices; provide that the Act may be cited as the Red Flag Repeal Act of 2026.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB78 (BR169) - T. Roberts, W. Williams, J. Calloway, W. Lawrence, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to firearms liability protections and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms; establish liability protections for manufacturers and sellers of firearms against specified legal actions arising from criminal or unlawful use of firearms or ammunition; establish criteria for proceedings including timelines and burden of proof; establish a civil cause of action for violation of the extended protections for manufacturers and sellers and delineate available damages; provide the Attorney General with enforcement authority; provide that the Act may be cited as the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms (PLCAA) Clarification Act of 2026; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB79 (BR1251) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway

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," "firearm-related accessory," "firearm safety course," "firearm safety device," and "firearm storage device"; amend KRS 139.480 to exempt ammunition, antique firearms, body armor, firearms, firearm-related 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 August 1, 2026.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB80 (BR1246)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to federal firearm restrictions.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter

237 to declare legislative intent; define "federal firearm restriction"; provide that if a federal firearm restriction is repealed or declared unconstitutional, the Commonwealth shall not enact or enforce a law, rule, or regulation that mirrors, replaces, or imposes a restriction similar to that federal firearm restriction; prohibit prosecutions, fines, or other penalties for activities that were regulated or prohibited by a federal firearm restriction that is repealed or declared unconstitutional; prohibit specified persons and organizations from enforcing repealed or unconstitutional federal firearm restrictions; create a civil cause of action against a person or organization that violates the prohibitions; waive sovereign, governmental, and qualified immunity; provide penalties for any person who violates the prohibition on enforcing a repealed or unconstitutional federal firearm restriction; allow manufacturers of firearms or federally licensed firearms dealers to manufacture, sell, or possess firearms and accessories no longer restricted under federal law.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB81 (BR1259) - T. Roberts, C. Massaroni, K. Banta, J. Calloway, K. Holloway

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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB82 (BR1247) - T. Roberts, K. Banta, J. Calloway

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB83 (BR1253) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB84 (BR1258)/LM - T. Roberts, J. Nemes, J. Calloway, C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to legal liability for local governments.
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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB85 (BR1250) - T. Roberts, K. Holloway, C. Massaroni

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; affirm a cause of action when a person is charged for sewer services, but has not received service within 5 years of the plan approval date; provide that the Act may be cited as the Ensuring Fair Sewer Charges Act.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB86 (BR1252) - T. Roberts, K. Banta, J. Calloway

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB87 (BR940) - T. Roberts, J. Calloway

AN ACT relating to Charlie Kirk Day.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate October 14 of each year as Charlie Kirk Day.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB88 (BR275) - T. Roberts, F. Rabourn, J. Calloway, T. Huff, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to the qualified elementary and secondary education scholarship federal tax credit.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 43 to elect for the Commonwealth to participate in the qualified elementary and secondary education scholarship federal tax credit program; designate the Auditor of Public Accounts as the officer to submit the Commonwealth's election and list of scholarship granting organizations to the United States Secretary of the Treasury; require the Auditor to maintain the Commonwealth's list of scholarship granting organizations and maintain certain information on the Auditor's website; authorize the Auditor to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to establish the list; and

authorize the Auditor to enter into agreements to assist with implementing the section.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB89 (BR1178) - A. Neighbors

AN ACT relating to medical imaging and radiation therapy licensure.
Amend KRS 311B.020 to define and redefine terms; amend KRS 311B.030 to add a magnetic resonance imaging technologist and a diagnostic medical sonographer to the Kentucky Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy; amend KRS 311B.050 to grant the board the authority to recognize and enforce rules and standards of the recognized national professional organizations and certifying bodies and issue advisory opinions; amend KRS 311B.090 to add nonionizing radiation to practices requiring licensure, and exempt ultrasounds for therapeutic, nonmedical, or keepsake purposes from licensure requirements; amend KRS 311B.100 to provide for licensure of magnetic resonance imaging technologists and diagnostic medical sonographers; 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, 2028; amend KRS 311B.110 to add magnetic resonance imaging technologists and diagnostic medical sonographers to application requirement; require all applicants for any form of licensure by the board to submit to national and state criminal background checks; amend KRS 311B.120 to add magnetic resonance imaging technologists and diagnostic medical sonographers to fee and penalty requirements; delete reference to duplicate licenses and home study courses; amend KRS 311B.150 to conform; amend KRS 311B.160 to set forth penalties for violations; amend KRS 311.727 to make technical corrections; repeal KRS 311B.080, 311B.180, and 311B.190.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB90 (BR1036) - V. Grossl, D. Hale

AN ACT relating to educational lobbying.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to define "lobbying" and "public school or school district"; prohibit a public school or school district from expending any moneys to compensate an external individual or entity to lobby; permit employees of public schools or school districts to engage in lobbying services; permit schools to compensate external individuals or entities to represent their interest before the executive or legislative branch of the federal government; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to prohibit a public postsecondary education institution from expending moneys to compensate an external individual or entity to engage in lobbying services; permit employees of public postsecondary education institutions to

engage in lobbying services; permit public postsecondary education institutions to compensate external individuals or entities to represent their interest before the executive or legislative branch of the federal government.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB91 (BR1291)/LM - V. Grossl, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to health insurance coverage by out-of-state insurers.
Amend KRS 304.11-020 to exempt foreign insurers from compliance with the insurance code and insurance-specific taxes, assessments, surcharges, fees, and other charges imposed by the state or a local government for an individual or group health insurance policy, certificate, plan, or contract issued or delivered in this state if certain conditions are met; amend KRS 91A.080; create a new section of KRS Chapter 136 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB92 (BR185) - V. Grossl, A. Moore

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; recognize 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB93 (BR868) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Horse Park.
Amend KRS 148.280 to allow the Kentucky Horse Park Commission, through its president, to eject or exclude any person whose participation in Olympic, Paralympic, or equestrian sports or activities has been restricted by the United States Center for SafeSport and any person who engages or has engaged in conduct that would negatively impact the safety and security of park attendees; allow the commission to promulgate administrative regulations regarding ejections and exclusions from park property.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB94 (BR189) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education.

Amend KRS 164.2951 to require the Council on Postsecondary Education to develop, implement, and maintain statewide transfer pathways available between the public postsecondary education institutions in selected baccalaureate programs; require the council to publish on its website a list of the available transfer pathways; require participating postsecondary education institutions to accept transfer credit, earned or accepted at the prior institution within pathways as general education or program-specific general education credit before applying credit as elective; require the council to provide written notification to public postsecondary education institutions and coordinate credit transfer discussions upon receiving notification of an institution seeking to make changes to curricula impacting lower-division courses.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB95 (BR1307) - L. Willner

AN ACT relating to the provision of menstrual products in schools, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require each public school that includes any of grades 6 through 12 to provide free menstrual products to students; require each local board of education to adopt policies for the distribution of free menstrual products; define "menstrual products"; appropriate to the Learning and Results Services budget unit with the Department of Education \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-2028 fiscal biennium to provide menstrual products to students; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB96 (BR942) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to the postsecondary education working group and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 164.092 to change the membership of the postsecondary education working group of the Council on Postsecondary Education; require the working group to convene on a calendar year basis rather than a fiscal year basis; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB97 (BR950)/AA - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to the sports wagering administration fund.

Amend KRS 230.817 to redirect a portion of the amount deposited in the sports wagering administration fund from the permanent pension fund to the Kentucky lottery trust account.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB98 (BR105)/AA - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to retiree health provisions of the Kentucky Retirement Systems.

Amend KRS 61.702, relating to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System and the State Police 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 employee contribution rate to 2% of pay for those eligible for the fixed-dollar retiree health subsidy; make technical 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, 2027; 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, 2027, 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB99 (BR1241)/LM - 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 requirements of the plan; create a new section of KRS Chapter 157, relating to state formula funding calculations, to establish a projection model for the first year of full operations of the new independent district and the altered originating district.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB100 (BR402)/LM - J. Tipton

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to increase the homestead exemption to \$100,000; require the homestead exemption amount to be indexed every year; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection; apply to property assessments beginning on or after January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB101 (BR1135)/FN - J. Tipton, K. Banta, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, S. Doan, P. Flannery, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, D. Hale, M. Hart, K. Holloway, T. Huff, C. Lewis, D. Lewis, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, T. Truett, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to an exemption from sales and use tax for religious institutions.

Amend KRS 139.495 to define "educational or charitable institution" and "religious institution"; exempt purchases and sales of tangible personal property,

digital property, or services made by qualifying religious institutions from state sales and use taxes; make technical changes.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB102 (BR1233) - J. Tipton, E. Callaway, A. Thompson

AN ACT relating to misconduct in schools and at 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 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 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 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 5 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 156.095 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop a training related to sexual misconduct and inappropriate relationships for employees to undergo every 5 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, 156.492, and 158.200 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB103 (BR161) - M. Hart, D. Hale, S. Baker, R. Bivens, 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, A. Neighbors, 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; provide that a governing body, a member or employee of a governing body, or any public or private entity that may be held liable for the actions of a governing body that makes any decision regarding its participation in an optional water fluoridation program shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for acts carried out reasonably and in good faith regarding its decision of whether to participate in the water fluoridation program.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB104 (BR1543) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB105 (BR170)/LM - M. Hart, D. Gordon

AN ACT relating to property tax rates for emergency services.
Amend KRS 75.040 to establish conditions under which a fire protection district or volunteer fire department district may exceed the maximum established tax rate; create a new section of KRS Chapter 75 to establish the procedure by which a fire protection district or volunteer fire department district may exceed the maximum tax rate set in KRS 75.040 by requiring a public hearing and notification to the public; establish the methods by which the public may recall the portion of the levy that increases the tax beyond the previous year's rate; exempt the rates

from the provisions of KRS 132.023; amend KRS 75A.050 to establish conditions under which a fire district may exceed the maximum established tax rate; create a new section of KRS Chapter 75A to establish the procedure by which a fire district may exceed the maximum tax rate set out in KRS 75A.050 by requiring a public hearing and notification to the public; establish the methods by which the public may recall the portion of the levy that increases the tax beyond the previous year's rate; exempt the rates from the provisions of KRS 132.023; amend KRS 75.015 to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB106 (BR158)/AA/LM - M. Hart

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 post-traumatic 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 ambulance service providers.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB107 (BR261) - M. Hart

AN ACT relating to hospital emergency departments.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 216B to require hospitals that offer emergency medical services to have at least 1 licensed board certified or board eligible emergency medicine physician on site and on duty who is responsible for the emergency department at all times the emergency department is open.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB108 (BR1460)/LM - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to solid waste management.
Amend KRS 224.40-315 to exclude certain waste sites or facilities from being considered a municipal solid waste disposal facility.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB109 (BR1452) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB110 (BR403) - S. Dietz

AN ACT relating to adoption.
Amend KRS 199.470 to prohibit an unmarried couple from jointly adopting any child; amend KRS 199.520 to provide that an adoption of a child shall not terminate the legal relationship between the adopted child and the biological parent when the adopting parent is the legally married spouse of the biological parent.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB111 (BR1446) - R. Bivens, D. Fister, K. King

AN ACT relating to on-farm animal health.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 257 to allow the determination and implementation of an on-farm animal health care or animal health production practice to be made solely by a farmer and his or her veterinarian.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB112 (BR206)/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton, D. Grossberg, A. Moore, S. Stalker

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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB113 (BR205)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to gun safety for children.
Amend KRS 527.010, relating to firearms, 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB114 (BR207) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

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, incontinence products, and menstrual discharge collection devices; apply to sales or purchases made on or after August 1, 2026, but before August 1, 2030; 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB115 (BR208) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

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 August 1, 2026, but before August 1, 2030; 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB116 (BR209)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to firearms and declaring an emergency.
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, 2027; amend KRS 237.990 to establish penalties; create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to establish the

offense of criminal purchase or transfer of a weapon as a Class D felony; 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 a firearm; amend KRS 456.050 to require judges, when issuing an interpersonal protective order, to consider whether a person against whom the order is entered should be prohibited from possessing a 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, 2027; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB117 (BR210) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to discriminatory practices against a person.
Amend KRS 344.010 to define "protective hairstyle" and "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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB118 (BR211) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to state holidays.
Amend KRS 2.110 to add the nineteenth day of June as a state holiday commemorating Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB119 (BR212) - 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB120 (BR215) - 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 Board of Cosmetology 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB121 (BR219) - 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, 500.093, and 514.065 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB122 (BR204) - 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB123 (BR213) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to criminal histories of job applicants.
Create a new section of KRS 344.030 to 344.110 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB124 (BR214)/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB125 (BR216)/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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB126 (BR217)/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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB127 (BR218)/CI - G. Brown Jr.

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB128 (BR220) - 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 6 months in advance to all property owners within 1,000 feet of the property on which the recovery residence will be located; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB129 (BR221)/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

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 5 years after completion of their imprisonment, probation, or parole; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB130 (BR922) - C. Aull, D. Gordon, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to scholarships.
Amend KRS 164.7879 to require the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to annually adjust the Kentucky education excellence scholarship (KEES) based on the Consumer Price Index; permit the authority to annually adjust KEES supplemental awards based on the Consumer Price Index; require that KEES award adjustments be paid at the most recent calculation for the academic term in which a student utilizes their award; prohibit decrease in KEES awards; amend various statutes to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB131 (BR923) - C. Aull

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for Kentucky Educational Savings Plan Trust account contributions.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a nonrefundable credit against the tax imposed under KRS 141.020 for qualifying contributions made to a Kentucky Educational Savings Plan trust account in accordance with the guidelines in 26 U.S.C. sec. 529; for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2027, but before January 1, 2031; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the department to report on the credit.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB132 (BR987) - S. Rudy, K. King, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to economic development.
Amend KRS 154.12-210 to require the Cabinet for Economic Development to maintain and disseminate information

relating to Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy programs to enterprises interested in locating or operating within the Commonwealth; amend KRS 154.12-213 to require the Cabinet for Economic Development to promote Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy programs; require the Cabinet for Economic Development to submit a monthly report to the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy and the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 154.20-010 to add the Executive Director of the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy as an ex officio member of the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB133 (BR1403) - J. Gooch Jr.

AN ACT relating to severance taxes. Amend KRS 143A.030 to remove fluorspar from the severance tax exemption and make it taxable as a natural resource; amend KRS 143A.010 to add fluorspar to the definition of "natural resources."

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB134 (BR1432) - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to sexual assault nurse examiners. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to employ a health professional as a statewide sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE) coordinator; establish requirements for the description, essential duties, and responsibilities of the SANE coordinator position; require the cabinet to collaborate with others to develop a statewide strategic plan that utilizes a regional model to ensure SANE coverage for all Kentucky hospitals; require the cabinet to develop a state registry of SANEs that is accessible from the cabinet's website by December 1, 2026; amend KRS 314.142 to require the board to notify newly registered SANEs of the state SANE registry on the cabinet's website.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB135 (BR1202)/AA/HM/LM/SP - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to coverage for breast examinations. Amend KRS 304.17-316 to define "breast examination"; provide for annual mammogram coverage for persons ages 40 to 49 years; eliminate cost sharing for any covered breast examination; provide for construction of section; create a new section of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require health benefit plans to provide coverage of preventive screenings for the detection of breast cancer for certain individuals; establish requirements for coverage; provide for construction of section; amend KRS 164.2871 and 18A.225 to require self-insured state postsecondary education institution group health plans and the state employee health plan to comply with breast examination

coverage requirements; apply sections to health insurance policies, plans, certificates, and contracts issued, renewed, or delivered on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB136 (BR468) - W. Williams

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, member of his or her family, and employees of the candidate's campaign or the officeholder's office as long as the amount does not exceed \$15,000 per fiscal year; define "security measure" and "usual and normal charge."

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB137 (BR1217)/LM - W. Williams, K. King

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 provide homeowners who are 65 years of age or older with an exemption from 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 acquired 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB138 (BR1180)/LM - D. Gordon, S. Bratcher, R. Dotson, V. Grossl, D. Hale, S. Lewis, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, T. Truett, R. White

AN ACT relating to the compensation of coroners. Amend KRS 64.185 to establish a salary schedule for 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 based on the consumer price index; allow additional compensation for training courses completed; require all coroners to be considered full-time and prevent any reduction of salary based on hours worked; EFFECTIVE January 4, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB139 (BR116)/LM - J. Decker, DJ Johnson

AN ACT relating to elections and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 116.112 to allow the State Board of Elections to enter into intergovernmental agreements with other governmental agencies to exchange data to assist in investigating violations of election offenses; amend KRS 117.125 to require voting systems and equipment meet or exceed a standard approved by the Election Assistance Commission; amend KRS 117.145 to require that county clerks provide voting equipment with the necessary supplies for write-in votes on the day before any in-person voting occurs; amend KRS 117.265 to change the date a person running for President or Vice President must file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate to the same deadline as the certification of candidates; amend KRS 117.355 to require county boards of elections to deliver signature rosters and precinct results to the State Board of Elections within 10 days after any primary or general election; amend KRS 117.379 to require voting systems meet a previously established Election Assistance Commission standard; amend KRS 117.389 to require county clerks to test automatic tabulating equipment after any petitions for local option elections have been filed; amend KRS 118.015 to change the definition of "political party"; amend KRS 118.125 to require that the notification and declaration be in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State; amend KRS 118.129 to allow a contraction as an acceptable form of a candidate's name; amend KRS 118.165 to require that candidates for Commonwealth's Attorney file nomination papers with the Secretary of State; amend KRS 118.315 to require that the form of petition be prescribed by the Secretary of State; amend KRS 118.367 to specify that candidates for a special election or election for an unexpired term shall not be required to file a statement-of-candidacy form; require that the statement-of-candidacy form be prescribed by the Secretary of State; amend KRS 118A.060 to require that the petition for nomination be in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State; amend KRS 119.015 to remove the term "falsely"; amend KRS 119.165, relating to the penalty of a Class B misdemeanor regarding voters who vote at a regular or special election before being a citizen; make technical corrections; amend KRS 132.017 to require that questions as to whether the property tax rate shall be levied shall be submitted to voters in a common school election not less than 50 days nor more than 60 days from the date the signatures are validated; require the school district holding the election to post bond with the Circuit Court to cover the costs of the election within 5 days after the petition is found to be sufficient; amend KRS 160.210 to prohibit changes in the boundary of any division after June 1 in the year in which a school board member is to be elected; amend various statutes to conform; repeal KRS 118.551, relating to the definition of political party; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB140 (BR953) - 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 check 6 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 check.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB141 (BR1133) - D. Lewis, D. Hale

AN ACT relating to Type 1 diabetes. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop Type 1 diabetes informational materials for parents and guardians of students; require each local board of education and public charter school board of directors to annually provide the informational materials to the parent or guardian of students in preschool through twelfth grade.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB142 (BR864) - M. Pollock, M. Dossett, R. Bivens, S. McPherson, S. Rudy

AN ACT relating to depredating wildlife and declaring an emergency. Amend KRS 150.170 to require the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to issue a minimum of 5 deer destruction permits to any landowner, spouse, dependent child, or their designee whose lands or personal property have been damaged by wildlife; establish provisions for the renewal of deer destruction permits; require the department to issue a deer permit for the taking of 1 additional antlered deer during a hunting season to any requesting individual; amend KRS 150.390 to allow any licensed or permitted person to take antlerless deer for a period of 10 days following the conclusion of a muzzle-loading gun season; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB143 (BR1289) - D. Elliott

AN ACT relating to fiduciary bonds. Amend KRS 395.140 to establish that a fiduciary bond shall be subscribed to before a notary; remove the requirement that the bond be attested by the clerk of the court; and make technical changes.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB144 (BR279) - T. Huff, E. Callaway, R. Dotson, P. Griffee, J. Hodgson, T. Smith, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle titles. Amend KRS 186A.295 to exclude the cost of parts and labor to make cosmetic repairs to a motor vehicle from the cost of repair calculation for the required surrender of the certificate of title for a

motor vehicle or trailer that has been destroyed; require a motor vehicle that is exempt from title surrender to be issued a salvage title; amend KRS 186A.190 and 186A.520 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB145 (BR895)/AA - P. Griffee, M. Whitaker

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 of the classified service as deemed necessary or advisable to make and carry out policy; permit the State Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Secretary of State, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Attorney General to increase, by administrative order, the salary of any classified employee with status up to the midpoint of the grade of the employee's classification.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB146 (BR896) - P. Griffee, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to qualifications of victim advocates.
Amend KRS 15.760 to allow Commonwealth's attorneys to employ as victim advocates individuals with a bachelor's degree in any field or a high school diploma and 2 years of experience; require victim advocates to enroll in training provided by the Attorney General's Office of Victims Advocacy within 30 days of hire; amend KRS 69.350 to allow county attorneys to employ as victim advocates individuals with a bachelor's degree in any field or a high school diploma and 2 years of experience; require victim advocates to enroll in training provided by the Attorney General's Office of Victims Advocacy within 30 days of hire.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB147 (BR56) - P. Griffee

AN ACT relating to inheritance and estate tax.
Amend KRS 140.160, relating to the inheritance and estate taxes, to extend the deadline for filing a tax return from 18 months to 36 months for deaths on or after August 1, 2026; amend KRS 140.210 to correspondingly extend the due date for payment of tax and discount; amend KRS 140.222 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB148 (BR391)/AA - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to the use of sick leave by school district personnel.
Amend KRS 161.155 to allow school district employees to use sick leave for observance of religious holidays not otherwise included on the school's calendar, provided the employee

submits a personal statement verifying the observance and gives advance notice to the district.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB149 (BR335) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB150 (BR338)/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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB151 (BR344)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to licensed and certified professions.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 335B to prohibit using a professional title, term, or abbreviation or holding oneself out as licensed or certified to practice a profession without holding a valid license or certification; provide that a violation is a Class B misdemeanor.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB152 (BR69) - L. Willner, M. Marzian, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, A. Donworth, E. Hancock, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson, J. Watkins

AN ACT relating to the individual income tax rate.
Amend KRS 141.020, relating to the individual income tax, to establish graduated individual income tax rates for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2027; remove provisions relating to tax rate reduction procedures.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB153 (BR1411) - L. Willner

AN ACT relating to administrative regulations for medications for substance use disorder and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 13A to find 201 KAR 9:270 and 201 KAR 20:065 deficient and void; create new sections of KRS Chapters 311, 313, 314, and 315 to establish that the State Board of Medical Licensure, Board of Dentistry, Kentucky Board of Nursing, and Kentucky Board of Pharmacy shall not promulgate administrative regulations that restrict or limit the prescribing, dispensing, or administering of buprenorphine-mono-product, buprenorphine-combined-with-naloxone, or any other Schedule III, IV, or V medication approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of a substance use disorder; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB154 (BR66) - L. Willner, M. Lockett

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB155 (BR235)/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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB156 (BR230) - A. Camuel, A. Moore

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB157 (BR225) - A. Camuel, A. Moore, R. Roarx, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to an eligible caregiver credit.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish an eligible caregiver 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB158 (BR227) - A. Camuel, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to a tax credit for qualified home modifications.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB159 (BR229) - A. Camuel, R. Roarx

AN ACT relating to an accessible home income tax credit.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish the accessible home credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2027, but before January 1, 2031; 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB160 (BR232) - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to public charter schools.
Amend various statutes to remove references to public charter schools; repeal various sections of KRS Chapter 160 and KRS 161.141 relating to public charter schools.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB161 (BR53) - S. Doan, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to public school facilities.
Amend KRS 165.055 to define terms; require school districts to permit public members of the community to access all running tracks on school property; establish the terms of the access; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to ensure implementation; create a new section of KRS Chapter 162 to define terms; make the intentional or negligent damaging of a school district running track or bringing a pet onto a running track or its immediate surrounding area unlawful; require school districts to report incidents of violations; amend KRS 162.990 to establish criminal and civil penalties for violations; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB162 (BR1324) - S. Maddox, F. Rabourn, S. Bratcher, J. Calloway, S. Doan, R. Dotson, P. Flannery, P. Griffee, V. Grossl, M. Hart, K. Holloway, T. Huff, W. Lawrence, C. Massaroni, T. Roberts, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to identity

documents.

Create a new section of KRS 186.400 to 186.640 to establish the circuit clerk as the representative of the Transportation Cabinet for accepting applications for operator's licenses, instruction permits, and personal identification cards and issuing temporary credentials; establish duties of the circuit clerks; amend KRS 186.531 to set forth the distribution of fees for operator's licenses, instruction permits, and personal identification cards; amend various sections of KRS 186.400 to 186.640 to conform; amend KRS 27A.052, 116.0452, 116.0455, 116.085, 186.010, 186.014, and 189A.340 and various sections of KRS Chapter 281A to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB163 (BR1262)/CI - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to aggravating circumstances.

Amend KRS 532.025 to include abuse of a corpse of the victim of kidnapping or murder by engaging in deviate sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse, or sexual contact as an aggravating circumstance; provide that the Act may be cited as Angela's Law.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB164 (BR1249)/AA/HM/LM/SP - S. Heavrin

AN ACT relating to coverage for hearing aids and related services.

Amend KRS 304.17A-132 to modify the definition of "hearing aid"; increase the coverage amount for hearing aids from \$1,400 to \$2,500; establish network adequacy requirements relating to the provision of hearing aids and related services that are required to be covered; amend KRS 18A.225 to increase the cap on hearing aids and hearing aid-related services under the state employee health plan from \$1,400 to \$2,500; direct that the Act applies to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

Jan 12, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB165 (BR1594)/LM - L. Burke

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to Medicaid expansion.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to enshrine Medicaid expansion coverage; direct the Secretary of State to advertise the proposed constitutional amendment prior to a general election vote; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB166 (BR1505) - L. Burke

AN ACT relating to disaster resiliency. Create a new section of KRS 39A to

establish the position of chief resiliency officer, appointed by the Governor, to lead disaster preparedness and resiliency efforts; amend KRS 39A.070 to include cooperation with chief resiliency officer in the powers, responsibility, and duties of the director of the Division of Emergency Management.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB167 (BR140) - K. Fleming

AN ACT relating to a tax deduction for theft losses.

Amend KRS 141.019 to allow a deduction for theft losses in accordance with Section 165(e) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB168 (BR126)/CI/LM - K. Fleming, K. King, M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to boating under the influence.

Amend KRS 235.240 to require that when a motorboat or vessel is involved in an accident that results in a fatality or serious physical injury, the investigating law enforcement officer shall seek a search warrant for blood testing of the operator of the motorboat or vessel unless the test has already been done by consent; apply the penalties for driving under the influence to boating under the influence; require that in addition to all other penalties, a person found guilty of boating under the influence shall complete a safe-boating course and pay \$100 to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to cover the costs of materials and instruction for the course; amend KRS 235.990 to conform; create a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to require a public safety telecommunicator who receives a report of an accident involving a motorboat or vessel on any waters of the Commonwealth to report the accident to the Kentucky State Police post covering where the accident occurred; provide that the Act may be cited as Keegan's Law.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB169 (BR467)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Fleming, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to coverage for feeding or eating disorders.

Create new sections of Subtitle 17A of KRS Chapter 304 to define terms; require health plans to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of feeding or eating disorders; prohibit insurers from using certain standards, including body mass index, to deny, limit, or restrict coverage; authorize insurers to consider certain factors 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, 304.38A-115, 205.522, 205.6485, 164.2871, and 18A.225 to require limited health services benefit plans, limited health service organizations, 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 feeding or eating disorders; provide that various sections apply to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if it is determined that such approval is necessary; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes in the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1); EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB170 (BR1208) - T. Roberts, J. Decker, S. Baker, K. Banta, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, S. Doan, R. Dotson, D. Gordon, V. Grossl, M. Hart, J. Hodgson, K. Holloway, D. Lewis, M. Lockett, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to restoring religious liberty.

Amend KRS 446.350 to define terms; outline appropriate relief if a government substantially burdens a person's sincerely held religious belief; apply to laws adopted before or after the effective date; include severability clause; waive sovereign and governmental immunity.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB171 (BR330)/CI - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to campaign finance.

Amend KRS 121.015 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB172 (BR331) - D. Grossberg

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB173 (BR332) - 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB174 (BR355) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to child marriage.

Amend KRS 402.020 to prohibit marriage with a person under 18 years of age; exclude from being prohibited and void, marriages entered into in the Commonwealth before the effective date of this Act if both parties are 18 or older and marriages entered into in another state or country if both parties are 18 at time residency is established; amend KRS 402.030 to require courts to declare any marriage void if a person is under 18 years of age at the time of the petition; amend KRS 402.080 and 402.210 to prohibit the issuance of marriage licenses to persons under 18 years of age; repeal KRS 402.205.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB175 (BR406) - B. Chester-Burton, C. Lewis, M. Marzian, J. Nemes, M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to a sales and use tax holiday and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 139 to define terms; establish a 3-day sales and use tax holiday during the first Friday through Sunday in August each year exempting eligible property, which includes tangible personal property, with certain exceptions, not to exceed \$3,000, and clothing or clothing accessories or equipment if the price of the item does not exceed \$200; direct that the first sales tax holiday will occur from August 7 to August 9, 2026; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB176 (BR119)/AA/HM/LM/SP - K. Moser, R. Duvall

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; amend KRS 205.536 to conform; apply the provisions to contracts delivered, entered, renewed, extended, or amended on or after January 1, 2028; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027, and January 1, 2028.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB177 (BR966) - K. Moser
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HB178 (BR122)/HM/LM - K. Moser

AN ACT relating to the psychiatric collaborative care model.
Create a new section of KRS 304.17A-660 to 304.17A-669 to define "psychiatric collaborative care model"; require the commissioner of insurance to promulgate and maintain an administrative regulation to list alterations and additions to relevant billing codes; require health benefit plans that provide coverage for treatment of a mental health condition to provide reimbursement for those benefits that are delivered through the psychiatric collaborative care model; authorize insurers to deny any benefit billed under a covered billing code on grounds of medical necessity if certain conditions are met; apply requirement to health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; require the Department of Insurance to seek a federal waiver if cost defrayal is determined.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Health Services (H)

HB179 (BR911) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to children's health and welfare fiscal impact statements.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 6 to establish a children's health and welfare fiscal impact statement to evaluate the potential costs that would be incurred by the state or a local government by passing certain legislation; specify the requirements and components of the statement; require state agencies and local governments to respond to requests for information relating to the statements; require the Attorney General to certify, upon request, if a proposal constitutes a state mandate; authorize the director of the Legislative Research Commission to implement policies and procedures necessary to produce the statements.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB180 (BR913) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB181 (BR487) - V. Grossl, S. Bratcher, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to the Interstate Massage Compact.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 309 to adopt the Interstate Massage Compact; declare the intent and purpose of the compact; define terms; establish conditions under which an individual may 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 Massage 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; require the commission to develop and maintain a coordinated database and reporting system containing licensure, disciplinary action, and significant investigatory information on all licensed individuals participating in 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 by the seventh compact state; establish withdrawal guidelines 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB182 (BR96)/AA - A. Tackett Laferty, J. Blanton, R. Dotson, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, D. Hale, M. Hart, N. Kulkarni, B. McCool, B. Wesley

AN ACT relating to duty-related disability benefits.
Amend KRS 61.621 to allow a member of a state-administered retirement system who works in a nonhazardous position that could be certified as a hazardous position and who receives a duty-related injury to be eligible for the same minimum retirement benefit provided to members who receive a hazardous disability retirement; amend KRS 61.702 to allow Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) members working in a nonhazardous position that could be certified as a hazardous position who receive a duty-related injury to receive the same health benefit provided to

members who receive a hazardous disability retirement; amend KRS 78.5536 to allow County Employees Retirement System (CERS) members working in a nonhazardous position that could be certified as a hazardous position who receive a duty-related injury to receive the same health benefit provided to members who receive a hazardous disability retirement; allow certain persons whose last day of paid employment was on or after January 1, 2022, but prior to the effective date of the Act to apply for benefits; RETROACTIVE.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB183 (BR887) - A. Tackett Laferty

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, 2027.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB184 (BR20) - M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to health savings account-qualified insurance plans.
Create a new section of Subtitle 1 of KRS Chapter 304 to limit the application of cost-sharing requirements that would result in a health insurance policy, certificate, plan, or contract losing its health savings account-qualified status under federal law; create a new section of KRS Chapter 18A to subject cost-sharing requirements in that chapter to applicability limitation; provide that applicability limitation applies to policies, certificates, plans, and contracts issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act; provide purpose of Section 1 of the Act; state the that Section 1 of the Act may be cited as the Health Savings Account State-Federal Regulatory Coordination Model Act.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB185 (BR7) - E. Callaway, J. Bauman, M. Koch, T. Roberts

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 employment or training; require hiring or licensing authorities to formulate policies and procedures for the application process by promulgating regulations no later than January 1, 2027; provide an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission by November 1, 2027; provide that certain entities are exempted from the requirements of the application process; 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 evaluate information and provide written findings of fact to the applicant upon determination.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB186 (BR1484) - S. Baker, J. Hodgson, J. Calloway, T. Roberts, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to qualifications for elected office.
Amend KRS 67.060, 83A.040, 160.180, and 262.240, to require a candidate for county commissioner, city mayor, city legislative body member, board of education member, and soil and water conservation district supervisor to be a natural born citizen of the United States and no other country and a national of only the United States in order to hold each respective office.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB187 (BR241) - R. Duvall

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 prevention and cessation efforts.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB188 (BR1213)/CI/LM - K. Jackson, R. Duvall, D. Hale, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, M. Meredith, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to public safety.
Amend KRS 508.025 to expand assault in the third degree to include causing or attempting to cause physical injury to a healthcare provider in a jail, penitentiary, or local or state correctional or detention facility; amend KRS 65.1591 to add jailers, deputy jailers, and correctional officers employed by a local detention center, local correctional facility, or regional jail to the list of public safety employees eligible to participate in a peer support counseling program.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB189 (BR926) - K. Jackson, R. Duvall, S. Lewis, S. McPherson, M. Meredith, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to pedestrians.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define terms; prohibit a person from remaining on any portion of a state-maintained right-of-way that is not designated for pedestrian use; provide exemptions and authorize local governmental exceptions; allow local governments to enact ordinances to authorize limited exceptions to the prohibition; allow the Transportation Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to define minimum standards

for state-maintained rights-of-way; amend KRS 189.570 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB190 (BR109) - DJ Johnson, R. Duvall, M. Lehman, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to licensed child-care centers.
Amend KRS 199.896 to establish square footage requirements for child-care centers.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB191 (BR461) - DJ Johnson, J. Hodgson, E. Callaway, R. Duvall, S. Sharp, W. Thomas, A. Thompson

AN ACT relating to Constitution Day.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require that all public schools in Kentucky devote 1 class or instructional period for the observance of Constitution Day; establish Constitution Day program requirements; require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop and maintain a web-based resource for Constitution Day programming; provide that the Act may be cited as the Honoring Our Constitution Act.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB192 (BR1234) - R. Duvall, K. Moser

AN ACT relating to nurses.
Amend KRS 314.011 to define "dispense" or "dispensing" if prescribed, as receiving and distributing nonscheduled legend drugs; include receiving and distributing nonscheduled legend drug samples from pharmaceutical manufacturers; define "dispense" or "dispensing" for an advanced practice registered nurse as the same as in KRS 315.010.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Health Services (H)

HB193 (BR1548) - E. Hancock, A. Moore

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB194 (BR1465)/LM - C. Lewis, M. Meredith, E. Callaway, B. Chester-Burton, J. Gooch Jr., P. Griffee, M. Hart, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to cigar bars.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to define "cigar bar" and "local government"; allow the operation of cigar bars in areas where establishments holding valid quota retail drink licenses are held and allow certain local government controls on the establishment of cigar bars, including permits, controls for smoke, smoke-free

deliver spaces, notice of the presence of smoke, and prohibition of other types of smoking contrivances; allow a local government to permit the operation of cigar bars without holding a valid quota retail drink license.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB195 (BR808) - N. Kulkarni, R. Bivens, M. Dossett, D. Gordon, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Urban Youth Agriculture Initiative.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 247 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Urban Youth Agriculture Initiative to promote farming to youth in urban counties with a pilot program in at least 1 University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service office by September 1, 2026; set each program term to 1 year in duration, beginning each January; establish guidelines and participant eligibility.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB196 (BR822) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to establish a PFAS Working Group; establish membership and duties; create new sections of Subchapter 10 of KRS Chapter 224 to define terms; establish a reporting requirement for manufacturers that intentionally added PFAS in products manufactured for sale or distribution in the Commonwealth; establish a reporting requirement for PFAS released 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB197 (BR823) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to soil conservation.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 262 to establish the Healthy Soils Program and the 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB198 (BR824)/CI/LM - N. Kulkarni

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"; redefine "marijuana"; 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.276, 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB199 (BR818)/CI/LM - N. Kulkarni, T. Bojanowski, D. Grossberg

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 1 ounce or less of cannabis and to cultivate, harvest, and store up to 5 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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB200 (BR303)/LM - N. Kulkarni, S. Heavrin

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 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB201 (BR831) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to the use of algorithmic devices in setting the amount of rent to be charged to a residential tenant.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to define "algorithmic device"; prohibit the use of algorithmic devices in setting the amount of rent to be charged to a residential tenant and provide that such use violates KRS 367.170 and 367.175 of the Consumer Protection Act; provide that the prohibition shall apply to a landlord's calculation of rent for a rental agreement executed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB202 (BR826) - 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 383.240 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB203 (BR819)/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 1 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 1 accessory dwelling unit on a property, assess a one-time fee of \$250 at the time the accessory dwelling unit is created, and prohibit the accessory dwelling unit's use

as a short-term rental.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB204 (BR820)/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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB205 (BR821)/LM - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to planning and zoning.
Create a new section of 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB206 (BR952) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Building Code.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198B to permit less than 6 stories of Residential Group R-2 occupancy to be served by a single exit.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB207 (BR812) - N. Kulkarni, A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to a deduction for union dues.
Amend KRS 141.019, relating to income tax, to define "professional membership dues" and "union dues"; allow a deduction from gross income for union dues and professional membership dues paid for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2027, but before January 1, 2031, and require the Department of Revenue to annually report information about this deduction to the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the department to report on the exclusion.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB208 (BR816) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB209 (BR814)/LM - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to certified living wage.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require the Office of the 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 program 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, 2027, and every year thereafter; amend KRS 337.990 to establish civil penalties.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB210 (BR315) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB211 (BR829)/LM - N. Kulkarni

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 obtain emergency medical assistance; require reporting of intervention; provide administrative and legal protections; 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 3 years.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB212 (BR1478) - S. Witten, C. Freeland, 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 ferret against rabies be under the direct supervision of a veterinarian that is located on the premises of the facility.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB213 (BR183)/AA - E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to reemployment of retired police officers.
Amend KRS 70.292, 70.293, and 95.022, regarding city and county programs to reemploy retired police officers without incurring employer retirement contributions, to reduce the required service of the officer or sheriff before retirement from 20 years to 15 years and to allow retired officers to take health insurance coverage through the employing city or county; amend KRS 61.702 and 78.5536 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB214 (BR1226) - B. Wesley, B. McCool, K. Banta, J. Blanton, J. Branscum, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, R. Dotson, R. Duvall, D. Fister, P. Flannery, C. Freeland, C. Fugate, J. Gooch Jr., D. Gordon, D. Grossberg, D. Hale, J. Hodgson, T. Huff, DJ Johnson, D. Lewis, S. Lewis, M. Lockett, C. Massaroni, S. McPherson, M. Pollock, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, T. Smith, A. Tackett Laferty, N. Tate, W. Thomas, A. Thompson, R. White, W. Williams

AN ACT relating to disabled veterans.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 40 to define terms; create the Residential Ease of Access for Disabled Veterans Program for funding the construction and installation of accessibility ramps on residences of disabled veterans; establish the Residential Ease of Access for Disabled Veterans Program grant fund to be used for the program and administered by the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB215 (BR1573) - 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB216 (BR924)/LM - K. Holloway

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 disabled by a court of competent jurisdiction from voting; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB217 (BR358) - K. Holloway, K. Banta, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to designating income tax refunds to the animal control

and care fund.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to provide taxpayers the option of having all or a portion of their individual income tax refund be contributed to the animal control and care fund created in KRS 258.119; establish requirements for administering the designation.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB218 (BR476)/AA - J. Blanton, C. Fugate

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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB219 (BR475)/AA - J. Blanton, C. Fugate

AN ACT relating to retiree health provisions of the Kentucky Retirement Systems.
Amend KRS 61.702, relating to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System and the State Police 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 employee contribution rate to 2% of pay for those eligible for the fixed-dollar retiree health subsidy; make technical 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, 2027; 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, 2027, 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB220 (BR1159)/AA/LM - J. Blanton, C. Fugate

AN ACT relating to pension spiking in the systems administered by the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority.
Amend KRS 61.598, relating to pension spiking and the definition of "bona fide promotion or career advancement," to retroactively exempt pension spiking adjustments that were due to 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 for members of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, County Employees Retirement System, or State Police Retirement System who retired on or after July 1, 2022; require the Kentucky Public Pension Authority to review and make necessary adjustments to benefits payable on or after July 1, 2022, to impacted members; RETROACTIVE.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB221 (BR263) - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to severe weather emergency alerts.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 39A to establish the Kentucky Severe Weather Alert System; specify purpose and allowable uses of the system.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB222 (BR888) - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to railroad operations.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 277 to define "light engine"; require a crew of at least 2 persons during operation of a train or light engine; amend KRS 277.990 to include penalties on railroad companies for crews of less than 2 persons.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB223 (BR892) - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to autonomous vehicles.
Amend KRS 186.763 to prohibit a school district from operating a fully autonomous vehicle as a school bus or for transporting students; prohibit the operation of a fully autonomous vehicle if that vehicle requires an operator with a commercial driver's license; amend KRS 281.764 to conform.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB224 (BR893)/LM - A. Tackett Laferty

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 establish 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB225 (BR890) - A. Tackett Laferty, C. Fugate, D. Gordon, K. King, C. Massaroni, B. Wesley, R. White

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 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB226 (BR1467) - S. Bratcher, P. Griffee

AN ACT relating to special license plates.
Amend KRS 186.162, relating to special license plates, to establish that a portion of the initial and renewal fee for a Kentucky National Guard plate is dedicated to the National Guard Association of Kentucky.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB227 (BR873) - M. Lockett, J. Decker, S. Baker, R. Bridges, E. Callaway, J. Calloway, R. Dotson, J. Hodgson, M. Imes, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor, N. Tate

AN ACT relating to addictive online platforms.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 367 to establish requirements to protect minors from AI companion platforms and social media platforms using addictive features and predatory data collection; define terms; require AI companion platforms and social media platforms to refine their age verification for users; prohibit AI companion platforms or social media platforms from maintaining accounts for children without verifiable parental consent; create a private right of action for violations by AI companion platforms or social media platforms; authorize the Attorney General to enforce violations.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB228 (BR844) - J. Watkins, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, M. Lehman, M. Marzian, S. Stalker, P. Stevenson, L. Willner

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, 2027, but before January 1, 2031, in the amount of 25% 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.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB229 (BR202) - J. Watkins, P. Stevenson, C. Aull, T. Bojanowski, G. Brown Jr., A. Camuel, B. Chester-Burton, A. Donworth, A. Gentry, E. Hancock, M. Lehman, M. Marzian, A. Moore, S. Stalker, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to housing, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
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; 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 a 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; appropriate \$102,000,000 from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund account for various affordable housing initiatives; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB230 (BR163) - M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to health care 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 make public a digital list of all standard charges and a consumer-friendly list of charges for a set of shoppable services; 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 to establish a template for each hospital; require the cabinet to monitor each facility's compliance; provide for administrative penalties; require health care providers to provide patients with written pricing sheets for health care services provided except in an emergency; require the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to establish a template for the written pricing sheets; require the cabinet or the Department for Medicaid Services to seek federal approval if they determine that such approval is necessary to comply with KRS 205.5372(1).

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB231 (BR1224) - A. Moore, S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to the reporting of medical debt.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; prohibit a health care professional from furnishing medical debt to a consumer reporting agency; require a contract between a health care professional and collection entity to include a provision prohibiting the reporting of medical debt to a consumer reporting agency; provide that medical debt that is reported in violation of the section is void and unenforceable; make a violation of the section an unfair, false, misleading, or deceptive act or practice in violation of KRS 367.170; establish remedies for a violation of the section; provide that section shall not be construed to limit or restrict any powers, duties, remedies, or penalties available; direct that provisions apply to contracts entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB232 (BR1118) - A. Moore

AN ACT relating to the protection of minors on digital platforms.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; prohibit social media platforms from providing minors an addictive feed and sending push notifications to minors between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m. without permission from a parent or legal guardian; require social media platforms to determine a user's age upon account creation and establish guidelines for handling the information; require social media platforms to develop and implement a proactive strategy to prevent a minor from exposure to harmful material; grant enforcement power to the Office of the Attorney General and provide a private right of action to parents and legal guardians; provide that the Act may be cited as the Youth Online Safety Act, include severability clause. EFFECTIVE January 1, 2027.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB233 (BR265)/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 5-year expiration date for the moratorium; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB234 (BR271)/LM - J. Bauman

AN ACT relating to the posting of veterans' benefits and services.
Amend KRS 337.327 to require employers to keep copies of a veterans' benefits and services document in a conspicuous and accessible place.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB235 (BR268)/LM - J. Bauman

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 homeowners who are 65 years of age or older from 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 acquired 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB236 (BR269) - J. Bauman, M. Hart

AN ACT relating to emergency management services.
Amend KRS 165A.310 to exclude institutions licensed or approved by the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services from the definition of "proprietary school" under the Kentucky Commission for Proprietary Education; amend KRS 311A.020 to specify that the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services has authority to oversee the licensure and relicensure of emergency medical services training or educational institutions; amend KRS 311A.015, 311A.024, 311A.025, 311A.030, and 164.945 to conform.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB237 (BR809) - 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% of the amount paid by an employer on an eligible student loan of a qualified employee effective for taxable years beginning 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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB238 (BR811) - N. Kulkarni

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 apprenticeship program and hire apprentices; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to report to the Legislative Research

Commission on the credit.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB239 (BR825) - N. Kulkarni

AN ACT relating to abandoned property.
Amend KRS 383.020 to include duties of a landlord with respect to abandoned personal property.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB240 (BR1152) - D. Gordon, V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to residency as defined by the Council on Postsecondary Education.
Amend KRS 164.020 to require the Council on Postsecondary Education to consider individuals born in Kentucky as Kentucky residents when determining residency for tuition and admission purposes in the state postsecondary education system; provide that the Act may be cited as the Welcome Back to My Old Kentucky Home Initiative.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB241 (BR181)/LM - R. White

AN ACT relating to the exemption of certain animal services from sales and use tax.
Amend KRS 139.470 to exempt from sales and use tax pet adoption fees and certain small veterinarian service fees charged by local government animal shelters and nonprofit animal welfare organizations; apply to transactions on or after August 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB242 (BR32)/LM - R. White, B. Wesley

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 to meet the 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 1 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, 2028; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB243 (BR36) - R. White

AN ACT relating to high school graduation requirements.
Amend KRS 156.160 to require any course meeting the health requirement for high school graduation include information on direct the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to organ donation.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB244 (BR34) - R. White
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HB245 (BR350)/LM - K. Banta

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.
Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to increase the homestead exemption to \$75,000; require the homestead exemption amount to be indexed every year; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection; apply to property assessments beginning on or after January 1, 2027.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB246 (BR1416)/LM - S. Witten, K. King, C. Lewis, S. Stalker

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; provide that the Act may be cited as Kyan's Law.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB247 (BR907) - W. Williams

AN ACT relating to disabled veteran benefits.
Amend KRS 164.515 to allow the spouse or a child under the age of 26 of a disabled veteran free tuition at public universities, colleges, or vocational traiing institutions for up to 128 credit hours of undergraduate instruction.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB248 (BR906) - W. Williams

AN ACT relating to hospital police departments.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 216B to allow certain hospitals licensed under that chapter to establish hospital police departments; provide each hospital police officer with full general police powers, including the power to arrest, in performing his or her duties; specify the qualifications each officer shall have at the time of his or her employment; provide for the appointment or promotion to the ranks and grades of the department; prohibit

persons from falsely representing themselves to be an officer; establish a citizen complaint and investigation process for complaints against an officer alleging misconduct.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB249 (BR1047)/CI/LM - M. Whitaker

AN ACT relating to involuntary commitment.
Amend KRS 202C.010 to include a violation of sexual abuse in the first degree to the definition of "qualifying offense"; make technical corrections.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB250 (BR891) - A. Tackett Laferty

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 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB251 (BR1636)/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 forensic lab and crime scene personnel.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB252 (BR107)/AA/LM - E. Callaway, J. Blanton, DJ Johnson, C. Lewis

AN ACT relating to in line of duty disability benefits and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 61.702 and 78.5536 to provide full hospital and medical insurance benefits for a member, their spouse, and their dependents if the member becomes disabled in line of duty with a hazardous disability; EMERGENCY.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB253 (BR281) - J. Tipton, T. Bojanowski, K. Jackson

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 and interventions that do not use a three-cueing system; prohibit school districts from using any curriculum or program 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 158.307 to require

rather than allow local boards of education to develop a policy on dyslexia; require rather than allow the policy to include listed items; amend KRS 164.304 to require postsecondary institutions offering teacher preparation programs to include instruction on dyslexia by the 2027-2028 school year, rather than the instruction being contingent on funding availability; 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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB254 (BR1327)/LM - W. Lawrence, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to temporary structures.
Amend KRS 198B.050 to exempt certain temporary structures from state building code compliance if erected by or for a state or government agency, city, or municipality; require a temporary structure to be inspected and brought into compliance or removed after 6 months; exempt portable or temporary shower or toilet units from state building code compliance if intended to be used for less than 6 months; require a portable or temporary shower or toilet unit to be inspected and brought into compliance or removed after 6 months.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB255 (BR1577) - C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to criminal procedure.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 532 to allow evidence relevant to sentencing to be introduced by the Commonwealth and evidence in mitigation or support of leniency to be introduced by the defendant during sentencing hearings in non-felony cases.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB256 (BR1576) - C. Freeland

AN ACT relating to criminal procedure.
Amend KRS 23A.080 to allow appeals to be taken to the Circuit Court by the state in criminal cases from an adverse decision or ruling of the District Court.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB257 (BR1141) - J. Payne, T. Truett, K. Jackson, S. Lewis, S. Riley

AN ACT relating to the education assessment and accountability system.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; permit local school districts to develop and implement a local accountability system; require data

publication on the local accountability system; require the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to provide technical assistance in the development of local accountability; permit KDE to incentivize local accountability; set the timeframe for requiring local accountability in all local school districts; authorize the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate necessary administrative regulations; amend KRS 158.6453 to update terminology regarding academic standards; remove specific writing and editing and mechanics as required summative assessments; require KDE to incorporate a writing program into academic standards and professional development; require school-based decision making councils to adopt a writing program policy and publish it on the school's website; remove requirement for KDE to establish recommendations on using preliminary assessment data to identify students for advanced coursework; amend KRS 158.6455 to add individual student growth metric and student engagement as state indicators in the accountability system, remove quality of school climate and safety as state indicator, remove "status" and "change" metrics from state accountability system; amend KRS 158.6459, 164.7874, and 157.069 to conform.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB258 (BR1225) - J. Payne, M. Dossett

AN ACT relating to the transportation of milk.
Amend KRS 189.222 to allow vehicles with a gross weight of up to 90,000 pounds transporting fluid milk from a farm to the first market to operate on any state highway; allow for a 10% weight tolerance; provide exceptions and limitations; amend KRS 189.221 to conform.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB259 (BR1237) - S. Baker, J. Hodgson, R. Bivens, J. Calloway, K. King, T. Roberts

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Sections 32, 72, 91, 100, and 122 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to citizenship requirements of state and local elected officials.
Propose to amend Sections 32, 72, 91, 100, and 122 of the Constitution of Kentucky to require candidates for the General Assembly, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Commissioner of Agriculture, Secretary of State, Attorney General, county clerk, Circuit Court clerk, Commonwealth's attorney, county attorney, District Judge, Circuit Judge, Court of Appeals Judge, and Justice of the Supreme Court to be a natural born citizen of the United States and a national of only the United States in order to hold each respective office; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB260 (BR152) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to nationally certified student support personnel.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 157 to require a salary supplement for school social workers who have been nationally certified by the School Social Work Association of America and are employed by local boards of education if funding is provided for such purpose, permit local boards of education to provide a supplement from other resources if funding is not provided, and require inclusion of the supplement for Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System calculations; create a new section of KRS Chapter 157 to require a salary supplement for school psychologists who have been nationally certified by the National Association of School Psychologists and are employed by local boards of education if funding is provided for such purpose, permit local boards of education to provide a supplement from other resources if funding is not provided, and require inclusion of the supplement for Teachers' Retirement System calculations.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB261 (BR492) - V. Grossl, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 161 to enact and enter into the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact; declare purpose; define terms; set requirements for member states and for school psychologists to participate in the compact; establish provisions for active duty military members or their spouses; designate procedures for adverse actions against a school psychologist; create the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact Commission and establish its internal procedures; provide for the commission to facilitate the exchange of information; establish rulemaking procedures, oversight, financing, dispute resolution, and enforcement provisions of the compact; create member state compact withdrawal procedures; provide for amendments to the compact; specify applicability of the compact to certain Kentucky state law.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB262 (BR1519) - K. Holloway

AN ACT relating to an exemption of sales and use tax for aircraft.
Amend KRS 139.470 to exempt gross receipts derived from aircraft sold and delivered in this state to a resident of another state from sales and use tax; EFFECTIVE August 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB263 (BR479) - M. Lehman

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; permit authorized entities to receive, possess, and administer undesignated glucagon to a student 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; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to consult the American Diabetes Association when promulgating administrative regulations related to the administration of undesignated glucagon in schools.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB264 (BR82)/CI/LM - M. Proctor, S. Bratcher, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to theft by deception.
Amend KRS 514.040, relating to theft by deception, to establish a presumption that a person creates or reinforces a false impression when the person lists or advertises residential or commercial real property for sale, lease, or rent without legal title or authority.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB265 (BR1342)/LM - M. Meredith, E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to regulatory authorizations by the commissioner of insurance.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 299 to establish procedures and authorization by the commissioner of insurance for the voluntary dissolution of certain companies transacting the business of insurance upon the cooperative or assessment plan; amend KRS 304.50-010 to prohibit the commissioner from authorizing additional workers' compensation self-insured groups on and after the effective date of the Act; amend KRS 342.350 to conform.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 12, 2026 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

HB266 (BR1453) - P. Griffee, W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to healthcare credentials eligible for the Kentucky healthcare workforce investment fund.
Amend KRS 164.0401 to add a speech-language pathology or audiology license to the definition of "eligible healthcare credential" for the purpose of the Kentucky healthcare workforce investment fund.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB267 (BR897) - P. Griffee, E. Callaway, T. Huff, M. Whitaker

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 or 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, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB268 (BR905) - P. Griffee, M. Whitaker

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 and commitment to recognize and resolve military service member and veteran suicide.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB269 (BR237) - 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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB270 (BR329)/LM - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to wages.
Amend KRS 337.275 to raise the minimum wage for employers to \$9.50 an hour beginning on the effective date of this Act and incrementally thereafter to \$15 an hour beginning on July 1, 2030; raise the state minimum wage for tipped employees to \$5 an hour beginning on the effective date of this Act.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB271 (BR327) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to affordable housing.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A to establish 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 eligibility criteria.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB272 (BR927) - K. Upchurch

AN ACT relating to legislative ethics.
Amend KRS 6.661 to establish that the co-chairs of the Legislative Research Commission may employ an executive

director of the Legislative Ethics Commission, as well as other necessary staff and contract personnel; require the co-chairs of the Legislative Research Commission to fix the compensation of staff and contract personnel of the Legislative Ethics Commission; establish that members of the staff of the Legislative Ethics Commission are subject to removal by the co-chairs of the Legislative Research Commission at any time; amend KRS 6.686 to allow the Legislative Ethics Commission to impose sanctions on persons who file a complaint that is determined to be frivolous, was filed for an improper purpose, or contains factual allegations lacking evidentiary support; provide that sanctions apply retroactively to January 2, 2026; RETROACTIVE, in part.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB273 (BR1436) - M. Clines, M. Koch

AN ACT relating to barbering.
Amend KRS 317.430, relating to the Kentucky Board of Barbering, to add the executive director of the board as a nonvoting member; amend KRS 317.450 to remove language regarding good moral character and temperate habit requirements; reduce length of experience from 3 years to 1 year for certain out-of-state applicants; amend KRS 317.470 to change the title of "administrator" to "executive director"; amend KRS 317.540, relating to barber schools to reduce the number of required hours of course instruction from 1,500 to 1,200; increase the maximum number of hours allowed per day from 8 to 10 hours; make technical changes.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB274 (BR449) - W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to the protection of veterans' benefits.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 40 to require persons seeking to receive compensation for advising or assisting with veterans' benefits claims to provide a signed disclosure document stating these services may be provided for free from other entities.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB275 (BR1469) - F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, J. Calloway, S. Doan, J. Hodgson, S. Maddox, C. Massaroni

AN ACT relating to KEES scholarships for students attending noncertified schools.
Amend KRS 164.7874 to 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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB276 (BR1608)/LM - S. Doan, F. Rabourn

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 6 or fewer backyard chickens on residential property in cities and certain other local governments; establish requirements and restrictions on local regulatory authority.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB277 (BR1607) - S. Doan, J. Calloway

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.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB278 (BR1606) - S. Doan

AN ACT relating to hospital price transparency.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 216B to define terms; require hospitals to maintain a publicly available chargemaster of all standard charges, in dollar amounts, and descriptions for all standard facility items or services; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations to establish a template for each facility to use to create the chargemaster, monitor each facility's compliance, and provide administrative penalties; prohibit collective action of debt for noncompliant facilities.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB279 (BR74)/AA/HM/LM/SP - V. Grossl, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to coverage for mental health or substance use disorders.
Amend KRS 304.17A-660 to specify classifications to be included in the term "classification of benefits"; specify requirements, standards, and methodologies to be included in the term "nonquantitative treatment limitation"; change the definition of "mental health condition" to the definition of "mental health or substance use disorder condition"; amend KRS 304.17A-661 to require an insurer's mental health parity analysis to include an evaluation of standards relating to network composition, out-of-network utilization rates, and medical management techniques; require insurers to submit a remediation plan for the commissioner's approval if its mental health parity analysis indicates noncompliance; require insurer's annual mental health parity report to be submitted to the Legislative Research Commission; delete language applying remedies under Subtitle 12 of KRS Chapter 304 to violations; authorize the Attorney General to enforce the mental health parity law; establish duties, remedies, and penalties for enforcement by the Attorney General; authorize a private cause of action by any person 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; create new sections of KRS 304.17A-660 to 304.17A-669 to define "health care professional"; require insurers to comply with KRS 304.17A-700 to 304.17A-730 for claims submitted by health care professionals for the diagnosis or treatment of mental health or substance use disorder conditions; authorize the Attorney General to enforce the requirement to comply with KRS 304.17A-700 to 304.17A-730; create the Advisory Council on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Parity; establish duties and membership; amend KRS 304.17A-665 to require the commissioner of insurance to publish a summary of each insurer's mental health parity report and report findings to specified legislative committees; amend KRS 304.17A-669 to conform; amend KRS 18A.225 to require the state employee health plan to comply with KRS 304.17A-660 to 304.17A-669; provide terms for initial appointment of members of the Advisory Council on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Parity; provide that certain sections apply to contracts issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; EFFECTIVE, January 1, 2027.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB280 (BR1620) - K. Moser, S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to health care and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 314.041, relating to registered nurse licensure, and KRS 314.051, relating to licensed practical nurse licensure, to add credential requirements; 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 the licensing board's jurisdiction; create a new section of KRS 158.830 to 158.838 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; amend KRS 158.832 to add definition of "documented 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; EMERGENCY.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Health Services (H)

HB281 (BR240) - R. Duvall, K. Moser, K. Banta, J. Bray, J. Calloway, P. Flannery, K. Fleming, C. Freeland, D. Gordon, V. Grossl, D. Hale, K. Jackson, K. King, S. McPherson, T. Roberts, S. Sharp, R. White

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 home-based 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 home-based 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 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB282 (BR33) - R. White, P. Flannery

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 the wrecker is stationary and while removing a vehicle or debris from the highway; prohibit a wrecker from using a blue light when towing a vehicle; this Act may be cited as Troy's Law.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB283 (BR172)/LM - S. Sharp, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to foreign transactions in the Commonwealth.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 39G to define "center," "executive director," "foreign enterprise," and "resident of the Commonwealth"; prohibit a resident of the Commonwealth from engaging in a transaction with a foreign

enterprise if the transaction would result in foreign control of intellectual property, infrastructure, technology, or assets critical to the economic security of the Commonwealth, obstruction of counter-intelligence efforts, or would compromise the economic security of the Commonwealth; require the Kentucky Intelligence Fusion Center to review and investigate a transaction between a foreign enterprise and a resident of the Commonwealth; require the center to notify the executive director of the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security once it has determined that a transaction would compromise the economic security of the Commonwealth; require the center to refer the matter to the appropriate federal authorities if a transaction would compromise the security of the United States; allow the center to contact other state and local agencies and access state and local databases if necessary in pursuit of a review or an investigation; require the center to assess whether the transaction between a foreign enterprise and a resident of the Commonwealth would pose a threat to the security of the Commonwealth, the level of threat the transaction would pose, whether that threat has been mitigated, whether the transaction is with or on behalf of a foreign government, and whether a foreign entity may obtain control of critical infrastructure, technology, or assets critical to the economic security of the Commonwealth; require the center to refer the matter to the Attorney General and notify the executive director of the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security if it determines that the transaction would pose as a threat to the Commonwealth and the threat cannot be mitigated; require the center to meet with the co-chairs of the Legislative Oversight and Investigations Committee at least twice a year to discuss any findings in its review or investigations that would compromise the economic security of the Commonwealth; allow either co-chair of the Legislative Investigations and Oversight Committee to compel additional meetings; require the co-chairs of the Legislative Oversight and Investigations Committee to have required security clearance before meeting with the center; prohibit the center from meeting with the co-chairs if neither have obtained the required security clearance; exempt the meeting between the center and the co-chairs of the Legislative Oversight and Investigations Committee from the Kentucky Open Meetings Act and exempt any records produced in the meeting from the Kentucky Open Records Act; require center to submit an annual report to the Legislative Oversight and Investigations Committee; exempt certain data from the report from the Kentucky Open Records Act; exempt certain data from the report from the Kentucky Open Meetings Act; direct that the first report to the Legislative Oversight and Investigations Committee be issued by July 1, 2027.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB284 (BR470)/CI/LM - S. Sharp, E. Callaway

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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB285 (BR1191)/LM - A. Moore, P. Griffee, E. Callaway, W. Lawrence

AN ACT relating to a property tax homestead exemption for disabled veterans.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 132, relating to state and local property taxes, to establish a homestead exemption in an amount up to \$100,000 for veterans with a 50% or greater service-connected 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, 2027.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB286 (BR103) - A. Moore, P. Griffee, E. Callaway

AN ACT relating to veteran entrepreneurs.
Create a new section of Subchapter 12 of KRS Chapter 154 to create the Veteran Entrepreneur Program to be administered by the Office of Entrepreneurship; establish requirements and program details; amend KRS 154.12-277 and 154.12-278 to include the Veteran Entrepreneur Program; and amend KRS 154.12-330 to give preference to veterans in the issuance of small business loans.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB287 (BR1694)/CI/LM - M. Marzian

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, 2031; 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, 2029; establish civil penalty of \$100 per day for

violations.
Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB288 (BR1584)/LM - K. Banta, K. Holloway

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 Senators from serving more than 4 terms of office, not including partial terms of 2 years or less, and to prevent members of the House of Representatives from serving more than 6 terms of office, not including partial terms of 2 years or less, beginning with those elected in November 2028; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB289 (BR930) - K. Banta

AN ACT relating to students.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 159 to require a local school district to enroll a student on a part-time basis for courses or programs in a school, subject to standard enrollment policies and procedures; permit part-time enrollment in a local school district to partially satisfy compulsory attendance; prohibit part-time enrollee participation in interscholastic athletics; amend KRS 158.120 to specify that a nonresident pupil policy shall not discriminate on certain factors; prohibit a local school district from charging tuition to a parent or guardian; require school districts to determine and publish nonresident enrollment capacity; require the Kentucky Board of Education to create nonresident pupil enrollment application forms and specify the application process; require reporting by school districts and the Kentucky Department of Education on nonresident enrollment; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; create a formula for distribution of any state appropriated funds to eligible school districts for nonresident students; amend KRS 156.070 and KRS 157.350 to conform; require each school district to report on nonresident pupils and tuition charged during the 2026-2027 school year; require the Kentucky Department of Education to submit a compiled report to the Legislative Research Commission; EFFECTIVE, in part, July 1, 2028.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB290 (BR1572) - 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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB291 (BR37) - 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 50% ownership in real property located within the city precinct.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB292 (BR450) - W. Thomas, DJ Johnson

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 to include 911 emergency services within examples of public services provided by special purpose governmental entities and to raise the fire department audit and financial statement responsibility thresholds; amend KRS 95A.055 to raise the fire department audit and financial statement responsibility thresholds; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2027.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB293 (BR451) - 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 an exception for certain animal-drawn vehicles; amend KRS 189.990 to set penalty for violation at \$20 to \$100 for each offense.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB294 (BR917) - 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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB295 (BR55) - S. Stalker

AN ACT relating to the screening of residential tenants.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to prohibit landlords from charging screening fees without notice to the applicant; require screening criteria from landlords; require landlords to provide notice of denial to applicants; allow applicants to view the property before a security deposit is paid.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB296 (BR1564) - J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, M. Proctor

AN ACT relating to psychotropic drugs.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; require Medicaid-enrolled 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 or 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 Legislative Research Commission; 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 to implement the system.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB297 (BR1464)/AA - C. Lewis, E. Callaway, K. Fleming, P. Griffee, J. Hodgson, J. Nemes, S. Witten

AN ACT relating to peace officers.
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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB298 (BR991) - S. Baker, J. Calloway

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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB299 (BR8)/CI/LM - J. Nemes, C. Lewis

AN ACT relating to machine gun conversion devices.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to define "machine gun"; establish the offense of possession of a machine gun conversion device as a Class C felony.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB300 (BR1045) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to contractors.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 198B to define terms; establish licensing for contractors under the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction;

prohibit any persons not licensed by the department from holding himself or herself out as a contractor; allow the department to issue contractor licenses, promulgate administrative regulations, and implement disciplinary actions; establish applicant requirements and fee limitations; provide for injunctive relief; create the contractors fund; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 367 to define terms; direct that a person may cancel a real estate goods and services contract within 5 business days; establish additional items a contractor must furnish a person prior to entering into a real estate goods or services contract with a person; prohibit additional practices by contractors; provide that this Act applies to contracts entered on or after the effective date of this Act.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB301 (BR339)/AA - D. Grossberg

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.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB302 (BR1702) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to diaper access programs.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 200 to define terms; establish the Kentucky Diaper Access Board and its functions related to the development of a state plan for the distribution of funds from the Kentucky diaper access trust fund; establish the Kentucky diaper access trust fund and the purposes for which funds are disbursed to diaper access programs in the Commonwealth.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB303 (BR1521) - P. Stevenson, L. Burke, 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, J. Watkins, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to appropriations providing financing and conditions for the operations, maintenance, support, and functioning of the Transportation Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
The Governor's recommended Transportation Cabinet Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; detail Part II, Capital Projects Budget; detail Part III, Funds Transfer; detail Part IV, Transportation Cabinet Budget Summary; APPROPRIATION.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB304 (BR1520) - P. Stevenson, L. Burke, 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, J. Watkins, L. Willner

AN ACT relating to appropriations measures providing funding and establishing conditions for the operations, maintenance, support, and functioning of the government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its various officers, cabinets, departments, boards, commissions, institutions, subdivisions, agencies, and other state-supported activities.
The Governor's recommended State/Executive Branch Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; detail Part II, Capital Projects Budget; detail Part III, General Provisions; detail Part IV, State Salary/Compensation, Benefit, and Employment Policy; detail Part V, Funds Transfer; detail Part VI, General Fund Budget Reduction Plan; detail Part VII, General Fund Surplus Expenditure Plan; detail Part VIII, Road Fund Budget Reduction Plan; detail Part IX, Road Fund Surplus Expenditure Plan; detail Part X, Phase I Tobacco Settlement; and detail Part XI, Executive Branch Budget Summary; detail Part XII, Appropriations from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB305 (BR1531)/CI/LM - C. Massaroni, J. Calloway, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to grand jury service.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 29A to establish that a person present at any part of a grand jury proceeding shall not knowingly record the proceeding or disclose any information gathered while present during a proceeding; 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 person 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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB306 (BR277)/CI - M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to criminal trespass.
Amend KRS 511.010 to define terms; amend KRS 511.070 to expand the elements of criminal trespass in the second degree to include knowingly entering or remaining in a workplace while engaging in disruptive or threatening behavior where notice against trespass is given; establish that a second or subsequent criminal trespass in the second degree offense within 3 years is a Class A misdemeanor; amend KRS 511.080 to establish that a second or subsequent criminal trespass in the third degree offense within 3 years is a Class B misdemeanor.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB307 (BR1019) - J. Tipton

AN ACT relating to proactive postsecondary admission.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to define terms; establish a proactive postsecondary admissions program to be managed by the Council on Postsecondary Education; require each public postsecondary education institution in Kentucky to establish the minimum academic qualification for prospective admission to the institution and implement the common online application approved by the council by July 1, 2027; require the Kentucky Department of Education and each certified nonpublic school to submit a compiled list with designated information of all high school students who most recently completed their junior year to the council and the Kentucky Center for Statistics on or before September 1 of each year; require the KHEAA to submit the KEES award amounts of public and certified nonpublic high school students to the council on or before September 1 of each year; direct the council to send a personalized prospective admissions letter notifying each eligible high school student of each public postsecondary education institution in Kentucky where the recipient qualifies for prospective admissions, provides instructions for the recipient to apply for full admission, and of the student's KEES scholarship amount; provide that the personalized letter shall not constitute a guarantee of admission; retain the right for public postsecondary education institutions to perform a comprehensive reviews of all admissions applications internally; create a new section of KRS Chapter 151 to direct the Kentucky Center for Statistics to collaborate with the Kentucky Department of Education and the Council on Postsecondary Education to publish annual data on academic and workforce outcomes; amend KRS 164.020 to direct the Council on Postsecondary Education to establish a common online application and maintain a website for students to apply to Kentucky public postsecondary institutions through the common online application.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB308 (BR1632)/CI - R. Dotson

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 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB309 (BR1633)/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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB310 (BR35) - R. White

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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB311 (BR1563)/LM - J. Calloway, N. Tate, S. Baker, D. Grossberg, C. Massaroni, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to railroad crossings.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 277 to require each railroad company to 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 after receiving written notice from the cabinet or local government; establish procedures for reimbursement by the railroad company for the vegetation removal.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB312 (BR1424)/CI/LM - S. Maddox, J. Bray, K. Banta, J. Calloway, S. Doan, R. Dotson, P. Flannery, D. Gordon, P. Griffee, M. Hart, W. Lawrence, C. Massaroni, K. Moser, M. Proctor, F. Rabourn, T. Roberts, W. Thomas, R. White

AN ACT relating to concealed firearms and deadly weapons.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to define "provisional license" and "standard license"; authorize the Department of Kentucky State Police (KSP) to issue provisional licenses to carry concealed firearms and other deadly weapons to persons who are 18 to 20 years of age; require KSP to provide notice of expiration of provisional licenses and an application to switch from a provisional license to a standard license; allow the provisional license holder to apply by paper to his or her sheriff or online to KSP for a standard license; allow KSP to promulgate administrative regulations to administer provisional and standard license

issuance.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB313 (BR1624) - R. Bivens

AN ACT relating to city franchises.
Amend KRS 69.010 to change the time period that a city has to provide for the sale of a new franchise before the expiration of the current utility franchise from 18 months to 6 months.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB314 (BR1720) - M. Lockett, T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Communications Network Authority and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 154.15-010 to remove the definition of "executive director" of the Kentucky Communications Network Authority (KCNA); amend KRS 154.15-020 to administratively attach the KCNA to the Finance and Administration Cabinet; remove references to the executive director and the advisory group of the KCNA; abolish the KCNA advisory group; remove references to KCNA staff and require the executive director of the Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT) to assign COT personnel to carry out the functions and responsibilities of the KCNA; require the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet, the Treasurer, and the executive director of the Commonwealth Office of Technology serve as ex officio members on the board of directors for any nonprofit organization incorporated to carry out activities associated with the responsibilities of the KCNA or its board; amend KRS 154.15-030 to remove all current members of the KCNA board except for the representative designated by the Center for Rural Development and replace them with the chief information officer of the Department of Education, who shall serve as chair, the Attorney General, the Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Secretary of State, and the Treasurer, or their designees; amend KRS 42.726 to add carrying out the functions and responsibilities of the KCNA to the roles and duties of the COT; amend KRS 42.732 to remove the executive director of the KCNA from the Kentucky Information Technology Advisory Council; amend KRS 12.020, 12.023, and 42.014 to conform; require that on the effective date of the Act, all functions and responsibilities previously undertaken by KCNA personnel shall be transferred to existing COT personnel; require all records, files, or documents previously maintained by KCNA personnel to be transferred to the COT; require that the position of executive director of the KCNA shall be terminated on the effective date of the Act; allow the executive director of COT to determine on or before June 30,2026, which staff previous employed by KCNA shall be retained and employed by COT; EMERGENCY.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB315 (BR1165)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to firearms.
Amend KRS 527.010 to define "assault weapon," "bump stock," and "machine gun"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to establish the offense of possession of an assault weapon as a Class D felony; provide exceptions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to establish the offense of possession of a machine gun; provide exceptions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to allow a person who lawfully owns an assault weapon before the effective date of the Act to apply to the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police for a certificate of possession; amend KRS 237.104 to conform.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB316 (BR1723) - G. Brown Jr., B. Chester-Burton

AN ACT relating to local firearms control ordinances.
Repeal and reenact KRS 65.870 to allow local governments to enact ordinances regulating firearms, ammunition, components of firearms and ammunition, and firearms accessories; amend KRS 65.1591 and 237.115 to conform.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB317 (BR1346)/LM - D. Grossberg

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 homeowners who are 65 years of age or older from 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 acquired the property; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemption only to increases occurring until the assessed value of the property is \$500,000; prohibit exempting increases occurring after the real property is assessed above \$500,000; require the \$500,000 to be indexed every two years; require any portion of the assessed value previously exempted under this section to retain its exempt status as long as the real property continues to be maintained as the permanent residence of the owner who is 65 years of age or older; require the exemption to be 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 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB318 (BR348) - D. Grossberg

AN ACT relating to property rights in name, voice, and likeness.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 365 to define terms; establish property rights in every individual's name, voice, and likeness; establish how the property rights may be transferred or terminated; establish a civil cause of action and damages for unauthorized use of an individual's name, voice, or likeness; provide exceptions; require that an action commence within 4 years of discovery of the violation.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB319 (BR328) - 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 during pendency of civil action to be paid into court; declare a waiver of rights to be unenforceable; provide that the Act may be cited as the Make Our Landlords Diligent (M.O.L.D) Act.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB320 (BR58)/CI - J. Nemes

AN ACT relating to promoting human trafficking.
Amend KRS 529.110 to enhance the penalty for promoting human trafficking to a Class B felony unless the victim is a minor, in which case it is a Class A felony.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB321 (BR194) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to child care.
Amend KRS 199.894 to define terms; 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 and licensed type II child-care centers 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.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB322 (BR1314) - V. Grossl

AN ACT relating to child-care providers on a military installation or facility.
Amend KRS 199.8982 to establish an exemption from the state certification requirements for a child-care provider on

a military installation or military facility that is licensed or certified as a family child-care provider by the United States Department of Defense, any branch of the United States Armed Forces, the National Guard, or reserve component thereof.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB323 (BR418)/LM - K. Holloway, J. Calloway, C. Massaroni, T. Roberts, R. White

AN ACT relating to government social media accounts.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to define "public agency," "harassment," "obscene," and "social media platform"; prohibit a public agency, or individual acting on behalf of a public agency, from disabling, deleting, blocking, hiding, or otherwise preventing a person or entity from commenting on a social media platform designated by the public agency to communicate government business or on an account of an individual with the authority to speak on behalf of the public agency acting on its behalf on his or her personal account; permit a public agency, or individual acting on behalf of a public agency, to disable or delete comments that are libelous or slanderous, obscene, would be considered harassment, or would pose an imminent threat to public safety as determined by a court; allow a person or entity to bring forth an action against a public agency, or an individual acting on behalf of a public agency, for any violation; create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 defining "official electronic school communication"; prohibit a public school, school district, or individual acting in his or her capacity on behalf of a public school or school district from directly or indirectly publishing an official electronic school communication to advocate for or against a political topic, party, candidate, or question; prohibit a public school, school district, or individual acting in his or her official capacity on behalf of a public school or school district from restricting lawful public commentary on a political topic, party, or question if the public school, school district, or person acting in his or her official capacity on behalf of a public school or school district directly or indirectly publishes such commentary on an official electronic school communication.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB324 (BR1161)/LM - K. Holloway

AN ACT relating to peace officer training.
Amend KRS 15.334 to require law enforcement training on crisis intervention and de-escalation.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB325 (BR1727) - M. Lehman

AN ACT relating to economic development incentives.
Amend KRS 141.396, relating to the angel investor tax credit, to remove

language relating to employee demographics for qualified small businesses from information required; amend KRS 154.20-234, relating to the Angel Investor Program, to remove language relating to employee demographics for qualified small businesses from information required; amend KRS 154.20-240 and 154.20-254 to conform.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB326 (BR977)/LM - J. Watkins, M. Meredith

AN ACT relating to residential safety.
Create a new section of KRS 227.200 to 227.400 to require an owner, seller, or lessor to have functional smoke detectors in all existing single-family and multifamily residential units; require a seller or lessor to verify compliance in an affidavit prior to transfer or tenancy of property; direct that seller or landlord may be subject to a civil penalty for violation; exempt real estate licensees from liability.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB327 (BR830)/CI/LM - G. Brown Jr., N. Kulkarni, 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 may be imposed; amend various other sections to conform; repeal KRS 431.021, relating to guaranteed arrest bond certificates.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB328 (BR1544) - N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to child-care centers.
Amend KRS 199.896 to establish licensure requirements for child-care centers; amend KRS 199.8962 to establish operational standards for child-care centers.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB329 (BR1545) - N. Wilson

AN ACT relating to child welfare investigations.
Amend KRS 620.030 to establish record keeping and process requirements for reports of alleged child dependency, neglect, or abuse.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB330 (BR337) - 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 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB331 (BR334)/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 2 years prior to the sale must undergo renovations within 6 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 noncompliance.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB332 (BR415) - R. Raymer

AN ACT relating to the issuance of identity documents.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 186 to define "local governmental entity" and "local official"; require the Transportation Cabinet to expand driver licensing services by setting up a system between the Transportation Cabinet and 1 local official or local governmental entity in each county to issue operator's licenses and personal identification cards; require the Transportation Cabinet to identify a local official or local governmental entity in each county that will participate in the system by July 1, 2027; allow a local official or local governmental entity to charge a convenience fee for any document issued by a local official or local governmental entity; require the Transportation Cabinet report the number of documents issued by local officials and local governmental entities and any effect on wait times at regional licensing offices; amend KRS 186.531 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2027.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB333 (BR982) - M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to housing.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to define terms; make affordable housing developed by a religious developer a permitted use and require only a ministerial review by a planning unit for compliance with the section; include requirements that an affordable housing development must meet including that it be on property owned by a religious institution prior to January 1, 2026, exclusively contains affordable housing, be less than 24 units and be located only on a parcel in certain zones, and to have obtained all other permits; require a religious institution that does not continue to qualify to seek approval from a planning unit; allow the Kentucky Housing Corporation to advise religious developers regarding affordable housing developments; allow homeless shelters

operated by a religious institution to be permitted uses in commercial or business zones.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB334 (BR1499) - C. Massaroni

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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB335 (BR1639) - C. Massaroni

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 anti-choking 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 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB336 (BR299) - C. Aull, A. Donworth

AN ACT relating to the establishment of minimum wages by local governments.
Amend KRS 65.016 and 337.275 to allow a local government to adopt and enforce an ordinance that requires a minimum wage at a rate higher than that found in KRS 337.275 for employers located within that government's jurisdiction.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB337 (BR95) - T. Roberts

AN ACT relating to rental property.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to allow landlords to terminate rental agreements upon 3 days' notice when law enforcement or fire protection services are dispatched to a property more than 3 times in a 6-month period and set refund provisions.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB338 (BR1666) - S. Witten, S. Dietz, E. Callaway, R. White

AN ACT relating to forcible entry and detainer.
Create new sections of KRS 383.200 to 383.285 to provide for expungement of records in eviction proceedings that are dismissed; prohibit minors from being named in an action for forcible detainer unless the minor is a leaseholder; provide for expungement of a minor's name from an order; amend KRS 383.250 to provide for sealing of records; amend KRS 367.310 to prohibit consumer reporting agencies from maintaining information in their files relating to dismissed eviction actions; provide that the expungement of dismissed eviction actions applies to actions initiated on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB339 (BR248)/LM - W. Thomas

AN ACT relating to employment protections for members of the Civil Air Patrol.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 36 to define "employee"; and "employer" provide employment protections for members of the Civil Air Patrol in private businesses and local governments; amend KRS 61.394 to extend state government employment protections to members of the Civil Air Patrol.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB340 (BR62) - L. Willner

AN ACT relating to termination of residential leases.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to define terms; permit a tenant to terminate a residential 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; permit a covered tenant to terminate a lease or rental agreement upon the death of his or her spouse or cotenant; permit a tenant to terminate a residential lease or rental agreement if the landlord fails to abate a lead-hazard; relieve the tenant from liability for any other rent or fees resulting from the termination due to a lead-hazard; direct that provisions apply only to leases or rental agreements entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB341 (BR68) - L. Willner

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; provide exceptions; 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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB342 (BR67) - L. Willner

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 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB343 (BR1143) - A. Thompson, R. Duvall, M. Lockett

AN ACT relating to contributions made to a Kentucky qualified expense program.
Create a new section of 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 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB344 (BR100) - A. Moore, A. Gentry

AN ACT relating to local government.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 82 to define "city," "project workforce agreement," and "public construction project"; permit a city to establish a mandatory preference for awarding public construction project contracts to a contractor or group of contractors registered with an apprenticeship and training program; permit cities to negotiate wages that are higher than the state or federal minimum wage as a condition of the project workforce 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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB345 (BR223)/LM - A. Camuel

AN ACT relating to prevailing wage.
Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 to establish a prevailing wage law for all public works projects; amend KRS 12.020, 99.480, 227.487, 151B.015, 337.010, and 337.990 to conform.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB346 (BR224) - A. Camuel

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 urban-county 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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB347 (BR1109) - W. Lawrence

AN ACT relating to wagering.
Amend KRS 230.210 to redefine "receiving track" and "simulcast facility"; amend KRS 230.361 to allow wagering on races previously run at simulcast facilities; amend KRS 230.3615 to establish the minimum wager at a simulcast facility; amend KRS 230.278 to conform; amend KRS 230.380 to allow a track to transfer its ability to establish 1 simulcast facility; prohibit a simulcast facility from being established within 40 miles of a licensed track; require 13.5% of the commission at a simulcast facility to be retained by the track or person owning the simulcast facility.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB348 (BR1764) - S. Maddox

AN ACT relating to poultry.
Create a new section of KRS 217.005 to 217.215 to allow certain USDA-exempted poultry processors to sell to end consumers on a farm, at a farmers market, or at a roadside stand.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB349 (BR1655)/LM - P. Stevenson

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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB350 (BR1099)/LM - P. Stevenson

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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB351 (BR1649) - P. Stevenson, A. Moore

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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB352 (BR1653) - P. Stevenson, A. Moore

AN ACT relating to Women Veterans Appreciation Day and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate June 12 of each year as Women Veterans Appreciation Day in the Commonwealth; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB353 (BR1654) - P. Stevenson, A. Moore

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

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB354 (BR453) - J. Watkins, E. Hancock

AN ACT relating to homelessness prevention, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
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.027 to allow appropriations to be used for homeless initiatives; appropriate \$2,000,000 from the budget reserve trust fund to the homelessness prevention fund; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB355 (BR83) - S. McPherson, M. Pollock

AN ACT relating to real property appraisers.
Create a new section of KRS 324A.010 to 324A.100 to require actions against a certified or licensed real property appraiser to be brought within 1 year; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 324A to change "real estate appraisal" to "real property appraisal"; define "evaluation," "federally related transaction," and "real property-related financial transaction"; replace the Real Estate Appraisers Board with an independent agency to be known as the Real Property Appraisers Board; attach the Real Property Appraisers Board to the Department of Professional Licensing for administrative purposes; change the number of board members from 5 to 7; require 2 board members to be certified residential real property appraisers; require those employed by the board to investigate grievances to have 10 years of experience, hold a credential equal to the credential held by the appraiser under investigation, and have experience in appraising the type of property relevant to the investigation; allow the board to employ persons it deems necessary; allow the board to use hearing officers of the Attorney General's Office; allow the board or its authorized agents to give advice on best practices management; prohibit legal action arising from any advice given by the board or its agents relating to best practices management; prohibit any person not licensed or certified as a real property appraiser from providing any type of appraisal performed by a licensed or certified real property appraiser unless they are exempt; allow a licensed or certified real property appraiser to provide an evaluation; require a certificate or license holder to complete 28 hours of continuing education hours; allow hours completed for 1 USPAP update course to apply toward the continuing education requirement; require complaints to be filed with the board within 1 year after the date of transmittal of the appraisal report; establish a biennial license renewal period; increase initial application and renewal fees from \$200 to \$400; amend KRS 324B.045 to remove the Real Estate Appraisers Board from the Division of Real Property Boards; amend KRS 133.120 to allow a tax consultant and licensed real estate sales associate to receive compensation to represent a property owner at a conference with the property valuation administrator or in an appeal before the board; amend KRS 154.60-040, 198B.702, 324.085, 324A.035, 324A.050, 324A.088, 324A.100, 324A.150, 324A.152, 324A.158, 324A.162, 324A.164, 324B.030, 350.280, 413.140, 56.806, 56.8175, 56.823, 99.830, and 99.835 to conform.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB356 (BR1619) - 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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB357 (BR1661) - S. Stalker, T. Truett

AN ACT relating to jury duty.
Amend KRS 29A.100 to require judges to excuse teachers from jury duty until the end of the school term if the Commonwealth is experiencing a teacher shortage.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB358 (BR889) - A. Tackett Laferty

AN ACT relating to paramedic education.
Create a new section of KRS 164.740 to 164.7891 to establish a coal county 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 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB359 (BR841) - N. Tate, S. Baker, R. Dotson, T. Huff, M. Imes, DJ Johnson, K. King, C. Massaroni

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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB360 (BR1534)/CI/LM - S. Sharp

AN ACT relating to adult performances and declaring an emergency.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 525 to define "adult performance"; establish the offense of engaging in an adult performance; establish penalties; EMERGENCY.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB361 (BR1772) - J. Bauman

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 of the Act 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 transfer of road aid moneys to 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 2026.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB362 (BR1525) - J. Bauman

AN ACT relating to charitable gaming.
Amend KRS 238.545 to increase the maximum prize for an individual charity game ticket to \$2,000.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB363 (BR22) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to court costs.
Amend KRS 454.460 under the Uniform Public Expression Protection Act to define term; amend KRS 454.478, relating to court costs under the Uniform Public Expression Protection Act to require that the court make a finding that a party acted in bad faith prior to awarding court costs, reasonable attorney's fees, and reasonable litigation expenses.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB364 (BR983) - S. Bratcher

AN ACT relating to benefits for Kentucky National Guard members. Amend KRS 38.030 to define "Commonwealth emergency response pay" and entitle Kentucky National Guard members to receive Commonwealth emergency response pay when called to state active duty service when an emergency is declared by the Governor; amend KRS 38.010 to conform.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HB365 (BR1657)/AA/HM/LM/SP - P. 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; suspend the coverage requirement's application to qualified health plans if the state would be required to make cost defrayal payments; amend KRS 304.17A-145 to require coverage for breastfeeding and lactation services in conjunction with the birth and without a prescription; amend KRS 304.17A-099 to conform; amend KRS 205.522 to require Medicaid to comply with the coverage requirements for formulas; 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; provide that certain provisions apply to health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2027; 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; provide authorization from the General Assembly to make changes in the Medicaid program as required under KRS 205.5372(1); EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2027.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

House Resolutions

HR1 (BR1194) - S. Rudy

Establish the 2026 membership of the Kentucky State House of Representatives.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

HR2 (BR1192) - S. Rudy

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2026 Regular Session of the House of

Representatives.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

HR3 (BR1196) - S. Rudy

Extend an invitation to the pastors of Frankfort churches to open sessions of the 2026 Regular Session with prayer.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor ; adopted by voice vote

HR4 (BR1538) - L. Burke

Adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2026 Regular Session of the House of Representatives.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR5 (BR1533) - L. Burke

Honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR6 (BR361) - K. Banta

Honor and support law enforcement officers in Kentucky and throughout the United States.

Jan 06, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR7 (BR309) - J. Hodgson, S. Baker, S. Bratcher, J. Calloway, J. Decker, K. Jackson, DJ Johnson, M. Lockett, M. Proctor

Recognize the guiding principles of elections in Kentucky.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR8 (BR1270) - L. Willner

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of the victims of UPS Airlines Flight 2976, and recognize the efforts of first responders and other agencies that responded to the crash.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 08, 2026 - taken from Committee on Committees (H); to House Floor

HCR9 (BR908) - A. Moore, J. Watkins, A. Camuel, R. Roarx

Urge the United States Congress to reinstate veterans' exempt status from the able-bodied adults without dependents work requirements for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HCR10 (BR1260) - A. Moore, P. Stevenson, A. Camuel, R. Roarx

Condemn political violence and affirm protection of freedom in the Commonwealth.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR11 (BR974) - T. Roberts, M. Proctor, P. Flannery

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of Kentucky Route 338 in Boone County as the Kenny Brown Memorial Highway.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR12 (BR973) - T. Roberts

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of Kentucky Route 18 in Boone County as the Charlie Kirk Memorial Highway.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR13 (BR400) - C. Massaroni, K. King

Honor and support law enforcement officers in Kentucky and throughout the United States.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR14 (BR1475) - K. Fleming

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate a portion of United States Route 42 in Jefferson County as the Representative Bob DeWeese Memorial Highway.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR15 (BR81) - J. Nemes

Recognize May 2026 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month in Kentucky.

Jan 07, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HCR16 (BR1677) - S. Dietz

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Aviation Economic Development Task Force and direct it to study and make recommendations; establish membership and meetings; direct the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2026.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR17 (BR1189) - W. Thomas, M. Imes

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate the bridge located on Kentucky Route 124 in Trigg County as the Cerulean Veterans Memorial Bridge.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR18 (BR1600) - S. Heavrin

Direct the Transportation Cabinet to designate 2 bridges on Kentucky Route 920 in Grayson County as the Elmer

Carmon Milliner Memorial Bridge and the PFC Clarence Ozbert Milliner Memorial Bridge.

Jan 08, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR19 (BR1574) - DJ Johnson

Recognize January 2026 as Kentucky Mentorship Month.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR20 (BR1412) - D. Grossberg

Recognize and celebrate Hindu holidays and the resilience of the Hindu people.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR21 (BR1690) - L. Willner

Adjourn in honor and loving memory of the victims of UPS Airlines Flight 2976, and recognize the efforts of first responders and other agencies that responded to the crash.

Jan 09, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 12, 2026 - taken from ; to House Floor
Jan 13, 2026 - adopted by voice vote

HJR22 (BR1602) - D. Gordon

Direct the Transportation Cabinet study the efficacy and potential drawbacks of planting mint along highways to mitigate motor vehicle collisions with deer and other wildlife and report the results of its study to the Legislative Research Commission by October 31, 2026.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HCR23 (BR1134) - S. Baker

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Property Taxation Task Force to study, review, and provide policy recommendations on how to address local property taxation increases; require the task force to meet monthly during the 2026 legislative interim; outline task force membership; require the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2026.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HJR24 (BR1500) - K. Fleming

Direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to withdraw the 1115(a) demonstration waiver application that was submitted on June 25, 2025, to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement a mandatory community engagement program; EMERGENCY

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)
Jan 13, 2026 - to Health Services (H)

HJR25 (BR1220) - D. Gordon, A. Moore

Declare Kentucky to be a Food is Medicine state and direct state agencies to advance Food is Medicine initiatives.

Jan 12, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HCR26 (BR1658) - 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 2026 Interim of the General Assembly and to submit a report by December 1, 2026.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR27 (BR1659) - 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.

Jan 13, 2026 - introduced in House; to Committee on Committees (H)

HR28 (BR489) - D. Grossberg

Recognize and honor the cultural, social, and economic contributions of the Cuban American community to the rich history of the city of Louisville and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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