A RESOLUTION relating to handwashing in schools.

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advocates for hand hygiene as an important part of the United States' response to the COVID-19 pandemic as it is "a simple yet effective way to prevent the spread of pathogens and infections"; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued guidance for ways in which schools can help protect students, teachers, administrators, and staff from and slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention contains recommendations for hand hygiene; and

WHEREAS, the health of Kentucky students, teachers, administrators, staff, and their families and slowing the spread of COVID-19 are priorities of the Kentucky Senate;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➤ Section 1. The Senate hereby urges the Kentucky Department of Education to provide guidance to Kentucky school districts on how to implement the COVID-19 guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, including the recommendations for hand hygiene.

➤ Section 2. The Senate hereby urges Kentucky schools to adopt hand hygiene plans that meet or exceed the recommendations for hand hygiene issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

➤ Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate shall send a copy of this Resolution and notification of its adoption to the commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education.