



There would be very little, if any, cost associated with the bill. The Kentucky Coroners Association has indicated that coroners possess the capability of transporting remains in such a manner as to obscure the contour. Some coroners may already have a flag that could be used. A flag, if requested, would also be provided at no cost if the person is a United States veterans, and there is the possibility that flags could be donated. According to US Flagstore.com, a 5' x 9.5' United States interment flag may be purchased for approximately \$50, if in fact a flag must be purchased.

According to the United States Fire Administration, Kentucky had 0 firefighter in-line-of-duty deaths in 2019, 1 in 2018, and 2 in 2017. According to the Officer Down Memorial Page, Kentucky had 2 police officer in-line-of-duty deaths in 2019, 4 in 2018, and 1 in 2017. The occurrences requiring the return of a decedent under this bill should be minimal.

### **Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions**

**The fiscal impact has changed from that of SB 111 as introduced.** Part II, above, refers to SB 111 SCS 1, making the following changes to the introduced version:

- requires the coroner to transport the remains in a professional manner that covers the contour of the remains, rather than transporting in a casket or similar vessel;
- deletes the requirement that the fiscal court bear the expense of obtaining a casket or similar vessel;
- deletes prohibition against the family keeping the interment flag; and
- permits the coroner to speak with the family to arrange alternate transportation by a funeral home or other transport service.

**Data Source(s):** LRC Staff; Kentucky Coroner's Association;  
[https://www.usflagstore.com/Official\\_US\\_Interment\\_Flag\\_p/60-100-06999.htm](https://www.usflagstore.com/Official_US_Interment_Flag_p/60-100-06999.htm) (accessed Febuary 13, 2020); United States Fire Administration, [apps.usfa.fema.gov/firefighter-fatalities/fatalitydata/reportBuilder](https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/firefighter-fatalities/fatalitydata/reportBuilder); Officer Down Memorial Page, [odmp.org/search/year](https://odmp.org/search/year); Kentucky Fraternal Order of Police

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