



The Kentucky Department of Transportation records show that in the last two years, there have been nearly 266,000 registrations cancelled due to failure to maintain required insurance coverage on a vehicle and approximately 83,500 of these reinstated.

Description	2020	2021
Registrations Cancelled and Reactivated	50,987	32,493
Registrations Currently Cancelled	80,766	101,651
<b>Total Registrations Initially Cancelled</b>	<b>131,753</b>	<b>134,144</b>

The impact of this bill is indeterminable. The estimated fiscal impact on county attorneys is likely to be moderate to significant and with a direct relationship on county population and the number of vehicles registered in a county. The Kentucky County Attorneys Association is fearful this bill would pose significant financial strain on county attorneys and believe that the legislation would cause many more cases to be prosecuted. This in turn would require additional resources including adding staff.

If there is any jail time applied at sentencing, then an additional impact will be seen by counties. A person convicted of a Class B misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to 90 days. A person convicted of a Class A misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to twelve months. Misdemeanants are housed in one of Kentucky’s 74 full service jails or three life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, this estimated impact will be based on an average cost to incarcerate of \$35.43 per day. While the majority of misdemeanor defendants are granted bail, those who do not will also cost local jails an average cost to incarcerate of \$35.43 per day.

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

Part II, above, pertains to the bill as introduced.

**Data Source(s):** Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Kentucky County Attorneys Association; Kentucky Department of Corrections

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