

**Local Government Mandate Statement
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
2025 Regular Session**

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #:	1095	Bill #:	HB 143
Document ID #:	1917	Sponsor:	Rep. T.J. Roberts
Bill Title:	AN ACT relating to legal liability for local governments		

Unit of Government: City County Urban-County
 Charter County Consolidated Local Unified Local

Office(s) Impacted: Local Governments

Requirement: Mandatory Optional

Effect on Powers & Duties: Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Other Fiscal Statement(s) that may exist: Actuarial Analysis Corrections Impact
 Health Benefit Mandate State Employee Health Plan

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

HB 143 amends KRS 411.100 and KRS 411.110 to make any local government liable for damages incurred during a riotous or tumultuous assemblage of people if the local government had prior knowledge of the riot and had time to prevent the damage.

It would also make any local government liable for any damages incurred due to defects in bridges, streets, sidewalks, alleys, or any other public infrastructure if the local government already has knowledge of the defect.

The fiscal impact of HB 142 is indeterminable but expected to be negative. The number of claims filed due to damages incurred during a riot or due to a defective roadway cannot be determined, but there will be costs associated with paying these claims and responding quickly to prevent damage if known beforehand. This act could also affect insurance premiums for local governments.

Data Source(s): LRC Staff

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