

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT  
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION  
2025 REGULAR SESSION**

**MEASURE**

2025 BR NUMBER 487

HOUSE BILL NUMBER 322

**TITLE** AN ACT relating to tuition benefits.

**SPONSOR** Representative Josh Branscum

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

STATE FISCAL IMPACT:  YES  NO  UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY:  ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS  
 LOCAL MANDATE  CORRECTIONS IMPACT  HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: Public Postsecondary Institutions, Kentucky Community and Technical Colleges

FUND(S) IMPACTED:  GENERAL  ROAD  FEDERAL  RESTRICTED Public Institution Operating Funds

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2024-2025	2025-2026	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES		Indeterminable	Indeterminable
NET EFFECT		(Indeterminable)	(Indeterminable)

( ) indicates a decrease/negative

**PURPOSE OF MEASURE:** House Bill 322 amends KRS 164.2841 to expand tuition benefits to families of emergency medical service personnel (EMS) who died in active service or from a service-related disability. House Bill 322 also amends KRS 164.2842 to extend tuition benefits to the spouses and children of permanently disabled EMS personnel and replaces the 36-month tuition limit with a cap of 128 undergraduate credit hours.

**FISCAL EXPLANATION:** House Bill 322 will expand eligibility for tuition benefits; however, the fiscal impact is indeterminable due to the lack of available data on eligible beneficiaries. This measure could impact General Fund and restricted funds. Once General Fund is appropriated to an institution or college, it is deposited into their respective restricted fund operating accounts.

**DATA SOURCE(S):** LRC Staff

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