

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

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #:	269	Bill #:	SB 96
Document ID #:	2610	Sponsor:	Sen. David Yates
Bill Title:	AN ACT relating to motor vehicle racing		

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

Office(s) Impacted: Law Enforcement, Jails

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

Section 1 amends KRS 189.505 to state that no person may engage in street or highway vehicle racing, drag racing, or any other form of competition involving motor vehicles. No person may knowingly promote, organize, or facilitate a motor vehicle race, drag race, or motor vehicle competition.

Section 2 classifies violations of KRS 189.505 as a misdemeanor and first offenses are to be fined between \$500 and \$1,000 or be imprisoned for up to six months. For the second and subsequent offenses, offenders are to be fined between \$1,000 to \$2,000 or be imprisoned for up to a year.

The fiscal impact of BR 269 is minimal, but expected to be negative. There is no way to anticipate the number of violations of this act, but there will be costs associated with the investigation of violations, the incarceration of offenders, and possible hearings conducted under KRS 70.155 or KRS 82.625.

KRS 82.625 does allow a local government to impose, by ordinance, reasonable towing, handling, and storage charges upon an impounded vehicle. This could help recoup some costs from this measure.

While most misdemeanor defendants are granted bail, those who do not will also cost local jails an average cost to incarcerate of \$47.43 per day.

Data Source(s): Kentucky Department of Corrections

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