

**Local Government Mandate Statement  
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission  
2026 Regular Session**

**Part I: Measure Information**

<b>Bill Request #:</b>	1772	<b>Bill #:</b>	HB 361
<b>Document ID #:</b>	3264	<b>Sponsor:</b>	Jared A. Bauman
<b>Bill Title:</b>	AN ACT proposing to amend Section 1 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.		

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

Office(s) Impacted:    Local Governments, Law Enforcement

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 361 would prohibit state and local governmental entities from adopting “sanctuary” policies. It would require law enforcement agencies to use reasonable resources to support the enforcement of federal immigration law and prohibit policies which would restrict the sharing of information with federal immigration agencies.

**HB 361 has an indeterminate fiscal impact on local governments.**

It can be presumed that for local governments that have not enacted policies that allow for sanctuary cities, many of the obligations herein will run parallel to responsibilities local law enforcement currently handles. If a local government has enacted policies creating a sanctuary city, they may incur attorney fees to amend the current policy as well as expenditures for the custody and retention of inmates outlined in this measure.

If the Attorney General determines that a local government willfully violates HB 361, the local government may be subject to the withholding of road aid money.

The Kentucky Department of Corrections impact statement says that HB 361 has no fiscal impact for local governments. Local government are already responsible for the cost of incarcerating individuals until the disposition of their cases.

**Data Source(s):** LRC Staff; Kentucky Department of Corrections

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