

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

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #:	1246	Bill #:	HB 80
Document ID #:	1896	Sponsor:	Rep. T.J. Roberts
Bill Title:	AN ACT relating to federal firearm restrictions		

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

Office(s) Impacted: Local Government Entities

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 80 prevents Kentucky and its departments, commissions, agencies, and political subdivision from enacting or enforcing any law, rule, or regulation that is either similar or identical to federal firearm restrictions which have been repealed or declared unconstitutional on the Federal level of government. This includes a prohibition on subjecting individuals to prosecution, fines, or other penalties related to the repealed firearm restrictions.

People or officials who violate this are subject to a \$250 fine and termination from employment.

The fiscal impact of HB 80 is indeterminable, but expected to be minimally positive. Under this bill, law enforcement, along with other officials, would no longer be required to investigate violations of, or enforces firearm restrictions that the federal government has deemed “unconstitutional.” This would theoretically reduce the amount of time spent on such investigations and would potentially be a cost-saving measure, allowing police departments to reallocate resources elsewhere.

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