

Legislative Report

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Bill Information

HB1 INCOME TAXATION *(REED, BRANDON)*

AN ACT relating to income taxation.


Amend KRS 141.020 to reduce the individual income tax to 4.5% for taxable years beginning January 1, 2023, and to 4% for taxable years beginning January 1, 2024.

RECENT STATUS

2/17/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

2/9/2023 - delivered to Governor

2/9/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB18 DUAL CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to dual credit scholarships.


Amend KRS 164.786 to increase the dual credit tuition rate ceiling amount; add eligibility for high school freshmen and sophomores; expand the scholarship to include two career and technical education courses in each year of high school and four general education or career and technical education courses in any combination over the junior and senior years; amend KRS 164.787 to delete the dual credit provisions from the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship Program; effective July 1, 2024.

RECENT STATUS

2/22/2023 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/15/2023 - (H) SECOND READING, to Rules

2/14/2023 - (H) FIRST READING

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HB26 PUBLIC FUNDS *(RABOURN, FELICIA)*

AN ACT relating to public funds.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 48 to prohibit a public agency or any other entity created by an act of the General Assembly from using federal, state, and local tax dollars for lobbying purposes; define "lobbying," "public agency," and "public agent"; create a new section of KRS 6.601 to 6.849 to permit a person to file a complaint with the Legislative Ethics Commission if a public agency or other entity created by an act of the General Assembly is using federal, state, or local dollars for lobbying purposes; amend KRS 6.611 to include in the definition of "legislative agent" any public agent who lobbies for a public agency; amend KRS 6.691 to allow the

Legislative Ethics Commission to issue a fine of no less than \$2,000 but no more than \$10,000 to any public agency or public agent that uses federal, state, or local dollars for lobbying purposes; amend KRS 6.945 to provide that these lobbying restrictions are not affected by the requirements of KRS 6.945; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Citizen's Voice Protection Act.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

1/3/2023 - Introduced

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HB33 INNOVATIVE TEACHER EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to the Innovative Teacher Education Grant Program, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency. Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Innovative Teacher Education Grant Program for school years 2024 through 2026; require the Council on Postsecondary Education to administer the grant program; require the council to create a process for awarding grants; require the council to report to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by December 1, 2025, an evaluation of implementation; establish requirements for Kentucky colleges and universities to participate in the program; provide that the Act may be cited as the Innovative Teacher Education Act; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

1/3/2023 - Introduced

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HB36 KENTUCKY HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT LOAN CORPORATION *(TRUETT, TIMMY)*

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation.
Amend KRS 164A.040, 164A.050, and 164A.060 to update references to insured student loans.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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HB82 DYSLEXIA *(BOJANOWSKI, TINA)*

AN ACT relating to dyslexia.

Amend KRS 158.307 to require rather than allow local boards of education to develop policy on dyslexia; require rather than allow the policy to include listed items; amend KRS 164.304 to require postsecondary institutions offering teacher preparation programs to include instruction on dyslexia by the 2024-2025 school year, rather than the instruction being contingent on funding availability.

RECENT STATUS

1/4/2023 - Introduced

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HB85 EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS *(LAWRENCE, WILLIAM)*

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.7884 to define "proprietary school" and "qualified proprietary school program" and allow use of KES funds for enrollment in a qualified proprietary school program; amend KRS 165.7879 to allow a student who attends an out-of-state high school or Department of Defense school due to a parent's military transfer to earn a KES award if the student earned a base amount in a previous year at a Kentucky high school.

RECENT STATUS

2/22/2023 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/22/2023 - (H) SECOND READING, to Rules

2/21/2023 - (H) FIRST READING

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HB90 GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES *(GRAHAM, DERRICK)*

AN ACT relating to governmental agencies, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Set out General Fund transfers to the State Salary and Compensation Fund, the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, and the General Operations budget unit within the Personnel Cabinet; appropriate General Fund moneys to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority and the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System; appropriate Restricted Funds to the General Operations budget unit within the Personnel Cabinet; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

1/4/2023 - Introduced

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HB92 HEALTH MANDATES IN EDUCATIONAL SETTINGS *(CALLOWAY, JOSH)*

AN ACT relating to health mandates in educational settings and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require that a parent or guardian be permitted to opt a student of any public school requirement for medical devices and procedures, and treatments; provide that the parent or guardian shall not be required to submit any documentation or certification to opt out; provide that nothing in the section shall be interpreted to contradict KRS 158.035; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to provide that postsecondary education institutions may not require individuals to use medical devices or submit to medical procedures and treatments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic on property not used for the delivery of medical services; provide that a postsecondary education institution may implement a requirement for facial coverings that

is not responsive to the COVID-19 pandemic; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

1/4/2023 - Introduced

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HB118 FIREARMS (MADDOX, SAVANNAH)

AN ACT relating to firearms.

Amend KRS 237.109 to lower the age requirement for carrying a concealed and deadly weapon from 21 to 18; amend KRS 237.110 to conform.

RECENT STATUS

1/5/2023 - Introduced

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HB126 TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STEVENSON, CHERLYNN)

AN ACT relating to the Teachers' Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 161 to remove provisions of HB 258 enacted during the 2021 Regular Session that created and adjusted benefits for individuals who become members of the Teachers' Retirement System on or after January 1, 2022; provide that these members shall be eligible for the benefits applicable to members who entered the system immediately prior to January 1, 2022; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

1/5/2023 - Introduced

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HB131 PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS (BOJANOWSKI, TINA)

AN ACT relating to public charter schools.

Amend KRS 160.1590 to require education service providers to be nonprofit entities; require wait lists after student admission lotteries; provide that a subsequent mayor or chief executive officer may terminate a previously approved charter contract; amend KRS 160.1591 to limit the number of public charter schools to five unless waived by the General Assembly; forbid the use of financial incentives to induce a student to enroll or apply to enroll in a public charter school; make conforming changes; amend KRS 160.1592 to forbid a public charter school from entering into a contract with a for-profit organization for educational design, implementation, or comprehensive management; forbid public charter schools from charging fines or fees that are different from those charged by other public schools; establish a wait list process for students not selected in the admission lottery; require board of directors members to be residents of the school district in which the public charter school is located; require at least 75% of the board of directors to be elected by the residents of the school district of location and set the terms and conditions of that election; require the

board of directors to submit the name of any education service provider the board has contracted with and the associated contracts to the Kentucky Department of Education for publication; amend KRS 160.1593 to require a charter application to include a plan for the election and composition of the board of directors and a statement detailing the potential operational and financial impact the proposed public charter school will have on the district of location; amend KRS 160.1594 to require a public charter school authorizer to collect student withdrawal and disciplinary data and make a report; amend KRS 160.1596 to remove any locally raised revenues from funds to be transferred from a school district to a public charter school; require any add-on or funding factor for special education to be split between a local district and a public charter school when a student has attended both during the school year; cap the authorizer fee to 1% of funds transferred or the actual prior year's authorizer costs, whichever is less; amend KRS 160.1597 to limit the length of a charter contract to three years; amend KRS 160.1598 to conform; and amend KRS 160.1599 to establish a process to revert a conversion public charter school back to the school district.

RECENT STATUS

1/6/2023 - Introduced

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HB133 KENTUCKY EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS *(BRATCHER, STEVE)*

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.7884 to allow KEES to be used for a workforce solutions training program offered by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and approved by the authority; define approved workforce solutions training program.

RECENT STATUS

2/22/2023 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/15/2023 - (H) SECOND READING, to Rules

2/14/2023 - (H) FIRST READING

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HB136 PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS *(LAWRENCE, WILLIAM)*

AN ACT relating to public postsecondary education institutions.

Amend KRS 164.020 to prohibit the Council on Postsecondary Education from raising tuition for a postsecondary education institution more than 5% a year for resident students and 7% a year for nonresident students; provide a 4-year tuition freeze for an enrolled resident students; require an institution to notify a student before expiration of a tuition freeze; require any increase to tuition or fees to be approved before March 1 of the proceeding school year; amend KRS 164.131 to add 2 additional full-time student members to the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees, including 1 graduate student; remove language regarding initial appointments; amend KRS 164.821 to add a second faculty member to the University of Louisville Board of Trustees; add 2 additional full-time student members to the University of Louisville Board of Trustees, including 1 graduate student; remove language regarding initial appointments; amend KRS 164.321 to add a second faculty member to the boards of regents of comprehensive universities; add 2 additional full-time student members to the boards of regents, including 1 full-time graduate student; remove language regarding initial appointments; amend KRS 164.7874 to require a private postsecondary institution to have a voting student member on its governing board to be a participating institution for purposes of KEES eligibility; provide that the bill may be cited as the Kentucky Student Tuition Protection and Accountability Act; EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.

RECENT STATUS

1/6/2023 - Introduced

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HB137 IMMUNIZATION POLICY *(MADDOX, SAVANNAH)*

AN ACT relating to immunization policy.

Create a new section in KRS Chapter 164 to allow a student, staff, or faculty member to opt out of a postsecondary school's immunization policy for specific reasons; create a new section of KRS Chapter 214 to prohibit a public entity from creating standardized documentation with the purpose of certifying vaccination status; create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to require written notice of vaccination exemptions for a sincerely held religious belief or medical contraindication; establish which health care providers can support a medical exemption; require notice of federal mandates and exemptions; establish civil cause of action for violations; amend KRS 214.015 to prohibit the Department for Public Health from releasing personally identifiable information from immunization reports to another public agency or third party; amend KRS 214.034 to prohibit public and private primary and secondary schools and preschool programs from promulgating a new immunization policy and mandating compliance during a school year that has already commenced; and amend KRS 214.036 to allow objection to immunization on the basis of conscientiously held beliefs.

RECENT STATUS

1/6/2023 - Introduced

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HB138 CONCEALED DEADLY WEAPONS *(MADDOX, SAVANNAH)*

AN ACT relating to concealed deadly weapons.

Repeal KRS 237.115, which interprets the application of the license to carry concealed deadly weapon statute as permitting postsecondary facilities, local governments, and units of state government to limit concealed carry in governmental buildings; amend various KRS sections to conform; amend KRS 237.110 to no longer prohibit the carrying of concealed deadly weapons in schools and specify that the prohibition of carrying concealed deadly weapons in airports is limited to areas controlled by TSA; amend KRS 527.070 to add persons with valid licenses to carry concealed deadly weapons to the list of those permitted to possess weapons in schools.

RECENT STATUS

1/6/2023 - Introduced

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HB139 CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOMS *(MADDOX, SAVANNAH)*

AN ACT relating to constitutional freedoms at public postsecondary education institutions.

Amend KRS 164.348 to define "institution," "public," and "staff"; require an institution to adopt a policy to not restrict off-campus speech; extend free speech protections to the public; provide that student religious and political organizations shall be afforded equal access to facilities; provide that authority vested with a student organization to distribute student organization funding shall be contingent on viewpoint-neutral distribution of those funds; reduce institution's authority to establish permit requirements; specify how an institution defines student-on-student harassment; waive immunity for claims brought under the Act; permit disciplinary


action against a faculty member or administrator that knowingly and intentionally restricts the protected speech of another; suspend the distribution authority of a student organization that does not distribute student organization funding in accordance with the Act; prohibit retaliation against campus community members; require Council on Postsecondary Education to develop free speech instructional materials and model trainings for institutions; require institutions to present free speech instructional materials and trainings to designated individuals; require institutions to publish semiannual student organization funding reports; designate the required contents of the semiannual student organization funding report; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to limit the jurisdiction of an institution over associations, groups, or organizations not affiliated with the institutions.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - House State Government (H), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

2/21/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House State Government (H)

1/6/2023 - Introduced

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HB145 COMMONWEALTH EDUCATION CONTINUUM *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to the Commonwealth Education Continuum.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Commonwealth Education Continuum; specify the membership of the continuum; establish the terms of members; require the Council on Postsecondary Education to act as the administrative body for the continuum; establish reporting requirements to the Interim Joint Committee on Education.

RECENT STATUS

2/7/2023 - Introduced

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HB151 LAND SURVEYOR LICENSURE *(WILLIAMS, WADE)*

AN ACT relating to land surveyor licensure.


Amend KRS 322.045 to allow a person to qualify for licensure as a land surveyor if he or she has graduated from a two-year board-approved program and has obtained a minimum of six years of progressive experience in land surveying, with four of those years under the direct supervision of a practicing land surveyor; allow graduates of two-year board-approved programs to be eligible to take the Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination after two years of progressive experience in land surveying; allow graduates of two-year board-approved programs to be eligible to take the Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination after six years of progressive experience in land surveying; and eliminate the board's responsibility to promulgate administrative regulations that establish requirements for consideration of experience gained before entering the graduate programs approved by the board.

RECENT STATUS

3/13/2023 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

3/13/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day

3/10/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day

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HB155**BAN TIKTOK FROM PUBLIC AGENCY TECHNOLOGY** (WITTEN, SUSAN)

AN ACT relating to banning social media applications from public agency technology and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to prohibit the use or download of TikTok on any network or device under the control of a public agency; define "public agency"; direct the Commonwealth Office of Technology and public agencies to implement controls to block access to TikTok on networks or devices under the control of a public agency; permit the judicial branch of state government to implement its own ban and restrictions of TikTok; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

2/7/2023 - Introduced

[HB155 Bill Page](#) →**HB159****FIREARMS** (MADDOX, SAVANNAH)

AN ACT relating to firearms and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 527 to define terms; prohibit an identified entity from enforcing or assisting in the enforcement of, any federal law that does not exist under the laws of Kentucky and limits firearm ownership; create a Class B misdemeanor with enhancement for subsequent offenses for any government official who violates the prohibition; grant authority to the Attorney General to file a civil action in Circuit Court to enforce the prohibition; permit citizens to file complaints with the Attorney General for violations of the prohibition; make federal agents subject to arrest for enforcing prohibition or attempting to arrest local or state officials; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky 2nd Amendment Preservation Act; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

2/7/2023 - Introduced

[HB159 Bill Page](#) →**HB168****POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS** (WILLIAMS, WADE)

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education institutions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish definitions; prohibit public postsecondary education institution from engaging in certain activities with foreign countries of concern; require public postsecondary education institutions to submit certain agreements with foreign countries of concern to appropriate federal agencies for review and notice; require all postsecondary institutions, affiliated corporations, and associated organizations to submit semiannual reports to the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Auditor of Public Accounts for gifts of \$50,000 or more from foreign sources; establish contents of report; require the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit at least 5% of the total number of gifts disclosed during the previous year; require the Auditor of Public Accounts to audit gifts upon the request of the Governor, President of the Senate, or Speaker of the House of Representatives; establish a penalty for failure to disclose to be enforced by Auditor of Public Accounts; and authorize the Attorney General to bring civil action to enforce.

RECENT STATUS

2/7/2023 - Introduced

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HB171 FAFSA (RILEY, STEVE)

AN ACT relating to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define "FAFSA"; require completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form as a high school graduation requirement; provide waiver options for meeting the requirement; require local boards of education to develop policies and procedures to assist students in completing the requirement; require high schools to report potential graduate information to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; require the authority to provide each high school FAFSA submission and completion data for the potential graduates; require local schools districts to report student completion and waiver data to the Kentucky Department of Education.

RECENT STATUS

2/7/2023 - Introduced

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HB188 PUBLIC CONTRACTS (DIXON, JONATHAN)

AN ACT relating to public contracts.

Amend KRS 45A.183 to allow construction management-at-risk entities and construction manager-general contractors to self-perform when a subcontractor fails to perform or when certain conditions are met; define "self-perform"; limit self-performance to 20 percent of the total cost of the project; permit construction management-at-risk entities and construction manager-general contractors to use materials, supplies, and leased tools or equipment from suppliers and subcontractors in executing self-performance. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except require any construction manager-general contractor that submits a bid on a part of a project to self-perform to submit the bid no later than 30 minutes prior to the established bid time; exempt the Transportation Cabinet.

RECENT STATUS

3/21/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB196 SAFETY AND MENTAL HEALTH OF STUDENTS (FLEMING, KEN)

AN ACT relating to the safety and mental health of students.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Kentucky Mental Health Safety Center within the University of Louisville to be known as SafeKY; require SafeKY to create, implement, and maintain a real-time electronic mental health application; require the application be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year; require the application to be made available at no cost to all elementary, secondary, and postsecondary students and the parents and teachers of those students; require the University of Louisville to establish an advisory council regarding the electronic application; require the University of Louisville to report on the implementation status of the electronic application to the Interim Joint Committees on Health, Welfare, and Family Services and

Education by November 1, 2024. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; specify that the University of Louisville Health shall develop and maintain SafeKY; specify that the University of Louisville can seek, accept, and receive funds from various sources.

RECENT STATUS

3/15/2023 - (S) Reported Favorably to Rules

3/15/2023 - Senate Health Services (S), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

3/13/2023 - (S) Returned to Committee Senate Health Services (S)

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HB200 HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE *(FLEMING, KEN)*

AN ACT relating to the healthcare workforce, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS 164 to define terms; establish the Kentucky healthcare workforce investment fund to enable the CPE, healthcare programs, and healthcare providers and facilities to match public and private dollars for the purpose of awarding scholarships to eligible students and healthcare incentives to eligible healthcare programs; provide that the moneys in the fund appropriated by the General Assembly shall lapse after the second year in a biennium budget; direct CPE to promulgate regulations to administer the Act; require at least 65% of all net moneys in the fund to be used to fund partnership proposals between healthcare programs and healthcare partners to issue scholarships to students enrolled in the healthcare program; require CPE to establish a process to prioritize certain partnership proposals; require a written partnership contract and establish the minimum contents; require that scholarships be issued directly to students and establish employment requirements for recipients; permit a healthcare partner to contract for additional employment restrictions; provide that individuals on the nurse aide abuse registry are not eligible for scholarships; require that up to 35% of moneys in the fund shall be reserved for healthcare program incentives to award excellence in healthcare programs; establish the criteria for CPE to consider in awarding healthcare program incentives; require that the healthcare program incentives be competitive; restrict the use of healthcare program incentive awards; require CPE to report to specific interim joint committees annually; establish the minimum contents of the report; require public postsecondary educational institution to report to specific committees annually; establish the minimum contents of the report; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY. House Committee Substitute (2) Retain original provisions; provide that state funds shall not lapse during the operation of the program until the end of the 2029-2030 fiscal year; establish procedures for the return of any leftover moneys donated by grantors upon the end of the program; ensure the Commonwealth may recoup scholarship amounts; establish that recoupment amounts include reasonable attorney's fees and the interest rate is per annum; remove the bar against programs eligible for cost reimbursement under Medicaid; sunset the program on June 30, 2030.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB211 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS *(AULL, CHAD)*

AN ACT relating to public holidays.

Amend KRS 2.110 to revise the public holidays on which public offices in the Commonwealth may be closed.

RECENT STATUS

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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HB216 EMPLOYER STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT TAX CREDIT *(KULKARNI, NIMA)*

AN ACT relating to the employer student loan repayment tax credit.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 establishing the employer student loan repayment tax credit, equal to fifty percent of the amount paid by an employer on an eligible student loan of a qualified employee; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to conform.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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HB219 WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS *(RAYMER, REBECCA)*

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation for first responders.

Amend KRS 342.0011 to allow "injury" to include psychological injuries for police officers, firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, front-line staff, or members of the National Guard; create a new section of KRS Chapter 342 to establish when psychological injuries are valid workers' compensation claims when no physical injury exists.

RECENT STATUS

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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HB223 POLICE OFFICER MENTAL HEALTH *(FREELAND, CHRIS)*

AN ACT relating to police officer mental health.

Amend KRS 15.440 to require law enforcement agencies to have a written policy related to police officer mental health programs that would allow officers to receive additional leave time to attend mental health treatment, require supervisors to receive specialized training on supporting officers with mental health needs, provide workplace protections for officers who receive mental health treatment, and allow officers to receive reimbursement for the cost of mental health treatment as funding becomes available.

RECENT STATUS

2/14/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Local Government (H)

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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HB228 CRIMINAL HISTORIES OF JOB APPLICANTS *(BROWN JR., GEORGE)*

AN ACT relating to criminal histories of job applicants.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 344 to prohibit employers from considering or requiring disclosure of prior criminal history as part of the initial job application; provide that the Act may be cited as the Ban the Box - The Criminal Record Employment Discrimination Act.

RECENT STATUS

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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HB256 REGULATION OF ELECTRONIC GAMING DEVICES *(SMITH, TOM)*

AN ACT relating to the regulation of electronic gaming devices and making an appropriation therefor.

Establish KRS Chapter 239 and create new sections to define "commission," "control," "net proceeds," "electronic gaming device," "location," "local county government," "operator," "truck stop," "vending machine"; create the Kentucky Gaming Commission and attach it to the Public Protection Cabinet for administrative purposes; establish requirements for the commissioner and members on the commission; authorize the commission to establish and maintain an office in Frankfort; require the Auditor of Public Accountants to perform an annual audit of the commission; require the commission to promulgate administrative regulations to establish standard forms for the reporting of financial conditions, operational results, gross gaming receipts and adjusted gaming receipts, the amount of prizes paid during specific reporting periods, require periodic financial reports, require annual audits of the financial statements of all licensees regulated under this chapter, and to define and limit the method of operation of electronic gaming devices; authorize the Governor to appoint an executive director; establish qualifications for an executive director of the commission; establish application requirements; establish requirements for operators and locations; require the owner or manager of a location to ensure that an identifying sticker is affixed to each electronic gaming device on its premises; require the sticker on electronic gaming devices to contain the license number of the operator that supplies the devices and the expiration date of the operator's license; establish local county government responsibilities; prohibit anyone under the age of 21 from playing an electronic gaming device; provide penalties for entities regulated under Sections 1 to 18 of this Act; create a noncodified section to establish requirements for initial licensure of members on the commission.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - (H) WITHDRAWN

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/14/2023 - Introduced

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HB267 COLLEGE STUDENT CRIMINAL HISTORY INQUIRIES *(WILLNER, LISA)*

AN ACT relating to college student criminal history inquiries.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to prohibit a public or private postsecondary institution from inquiring about a student's criminal history on the institution's admissions application.

RECENT STATUS



HB319 TEACHERS *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to teachers.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 161 to implement the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact; create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 requiring exit surveys from school personnel leaving employment; require the Kentucky Department of Education to develop a system for reporting exit survey data; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to direct the Council on Postsecondary Education to develop a marketing program to promote the teaching profession; require CPE to provide a report on the status of the program to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by November 1, 2024; establish a trust fund for the marketing program; create a new section of KRS Chapter 160 to direct the Kentucky Department of Education to create an online statewide job posting system for school job openings, if funds are available; amend KRS 160.380 to conform; amend KRS 164.769 to revise requirements for the Teacher Scholarship program; require the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to submit an annual program report to the Interim Joint Committee on Education; amend KRS 161.048 to require the Education Professional Standards Board to establish a process for candidates to obtain an eligible for hire letter; direct the Kentucky Department of Education to expand the GoTeachKY ambassador program to all school districts, as funds are available; require the Kentucky Department of Education to review the alternative pathway teacher certification options and processes to identify areas for improvement; require KDE to present its findings to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by October 1, 2023; APPROPRIATION. House Committee Substitute (2) Retain original provisions, except delete the elevate teaching marketing program; define "Kentucky Educator Placement Service System"; require the Kentucky Department of Education to operate and maintain the system in order to collect accurate employment data; require the department to prepare an annual report on statewide school system employment data; amend KRS 164.769 to delete eligibility for permanent residents; delete the expansion of the GoTeachKY Ambassador program; delete the provision to allow classified staff to perform classroom instructional activities without supervision by certified staff during the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 161.154 and 161.155 to remove the requirement that a teacher or employee submit an affidavit to take sick and personal leave.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House



HB329 GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW *(HART, MARK)*

AN ACT relating to government contract review and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 45A.705 to require the State Treasurer to either revise, cancel, or keep effective any contract in which the Government Contract Review Committee issues nonbinding recommendations; require the Treasurer to submit contract revisions pursuant to the committee's nonbinding recommendations to the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or designee; require the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or designee to either issue the contract with the Treasurer's revisions or cancel the contract; require the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet or designee to revise, cancel, or keep effective any contract issued pursuant to the Governor's constitutional powers in which the committee has issued a nonbinding recommendation; provide severability clause; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - Delivered To Secretary Of State

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB336 LIFETIME EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS *(FLANNERY, PATRICK)*

AN ACT relating to lifetime employment contracts at public postsecondary educational institutions. Amend KRS 164.365 to prohibit the governing boards of regional state colleges and universities and KCTCS from entering into contracts for lifetime employment; amend KRS 164.830 to prohibit the Board of Trustees of the University of Louisville from entering into contracts for lifetime employment; amend KRS 164.220 to prohibit the Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky from entering into contracts for lifetime employment.

RECENT STATUS

2/16/2023 - Introduced

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HB337 REVENUE *(RUDY, STEVEN)*

AN ACT relating to revenue. Amend KRS 131.575 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

2/16/2023 - Introduced

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HB360 FISCAL MATTERS *(PETRIE, JASON)*

AN ACT relating to fiscal matters. Amend KRS 132.140 to make technical corrections. House Committee Substitute (1). Senate Committee Substitute (1). Free Conference Committee Report (1) Retain original provisions; exempt all governmental agency water and sewer projects from sales and use tax on construction contracts; exempt prewritten computer software access services sold to or purchased by a retailer that develops prewritten computer software for print technology and uses and sells prewritten computer software access services for print technology; increase the percentage of allowable income tax credit for pass-through entities paying state and local taxes on behalf of an individual; provide that the tax treatment of restaurant revitalization grants and deductions attributable to those grants for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2020, but before March 11, 2023; provide a modifier for 2023 and 2024 for tax increment financing agreements with individual income tax pledged; amend various sections in KRS Chapter 48 related to budget requirements; amend KRS 45A.837 to increase certain contract threshold for the Finance and Administration Cabinet; create a new section and amend various sections of KRS Chapter 132 to exempt certain property from property tax; amend KRS 139.210 to provide that certain retailers shall not be required to state the tax separately from the sales price; amend KRS 138.450 to impose motor vehicle usage tax on certain recreational vehicles; provide a method of assessment for certain multi-unit rental housing based on the government restriction on use; repeal various sections of KRS Chapter 132; require the Department of Revenue to report on or before November 1, 2023, to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue related to a centralized tax reporting and distribution system for

state and local transient room taxes.

RECENT STATUS

3/24/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB361 REVENUE (PETRIE, JASON)

AN ACT relating to revenue.

Amend KRS 131.194 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

3/3/2023 - (H) Returned to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

3/3/2023 - (H) SECOND READING

3/3/2023 - (H) Taken From Committee

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HB362 REVENUE (PETRIE, JASON)

AN ACT relating to revenue.

Amend KRS 133.110 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

2/24/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/17/2023 - Introduced

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HB390 FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO REDUCE TEACHER SHORTAGES (BANTA, KIM)

AN ACT relating to financial incentives to reduce teacher shortages and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Student Teacher Stipend Program; define eligibility for the program; direct the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to administer the program; provide an award of up to \$8000 to an eligible student teacher; establish the Student Teacher Stipend Program fund and appropriate \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Teacher Recruitment Student Loan Forgiveness Program; define eligibility for the program; direct the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority to administer the program; provide up to \$10,000 in student loan repayment for completing two years of consecutive teaching service; establish the Teacher Recruitment Student Loan Forgiveness Program fund and appropriate \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the fund; APPROPRIATION.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB407 MILITARY CONNECTED EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS *(STEVENSON, PAMELA)*

AN ACT relating to military-connected educational benefits.

Amend KRS 164.507 to remove degree-seeking requirement for nonremarried spouse and children of a deceased veteran when utilizing educational benefits; require students to use federal grant funds toward tuition prior to the use of the waiver; amend KRS 164.515 to expand educational benefit to include service members with a disability rating of 50% or higher; remove degree-seeking requirement; require students to use federal grant funds toward tuition prior to the use of the waiver.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB412 KEES *(STEVENSON, PAMELA)*

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.7881 to extend the expiration of KEES eligibility from five to eight years from high school graduation; amend KRS 164.7884 to conform.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB418 SERVICE CREDIT FOR THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM *(GROSSBERG, DANIEL)*

AN ACT relating to service credit for the Teachers' Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 161.500 to allow members of the Teachers' Retirement System to make up unpaid days; require a maximum of ten makeup days to count for service credit; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB443 BRANCH BUDGET BILLS (PETRIE, JASON)

AN ACT relating to branch budget bills.
Amend KRS 48.720, relating to branch budget bills, to clarify each fiscal year of the biennium.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB444 BRANCH BUDGET BILLS (PETRIE, JASON)

AN ACT relating to government agencies, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 48.160, relating to branch budget bills, to clarify fiscal biennium. House Committee Substitute (1) Appropriate General Fund moneys, Road Fund moneys, Restricted Funds, and Federal Funds to provide salary increases for state employees; provide funds for additional contractual resources to complete job classification reviews; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; appropriate General Fund moneys, Road Fund moneys, Restricted Funds, and Federal Funds to provide salary increases for state employees; provide funds for additional contractual resources to complete job classification reviews, impose a deadline for the reviews, and issue a reporting requirement upon completion of the reviews; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/17/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**
3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor
3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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HB447 APPROPRIATIONS (PETRIE, JASON)

AN ACT relating to appropriations.
Amend KRS 48.610, relating to appropriations, to make technical corrections. House Committee Substitute (1) Remove original provisions; amend KRS 132.140 to establish floor guarantee for district boards of education; APPROPRIATION.

RECENT STATUS

3/15/2023 - (S) Returned to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)
3/15/2023 - (S) SECOND READING
3/15/2023 - (S) Taken From Committee Appropriations & Revenue

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AN ACT relating to government agencies, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 48.020, relating to branch budget recommendations, to make technical corrections. House Committee Substitute (1) Amend 2022-2024 Executive Branch biennial budget to provide carry forward authority for CPE, correct community development project name for the City of Lancaster, provide carry forward authority for the Louisville Zoo, move Datasream appropriation and language from KDE to the Education and Labor Cabinet, provide carry forward authority for the American Battlefield Trust, and provide agency bonds for a WKU capital project; appropriate Federal Funds to KDE for plasma games; appropriate Restricted Funds to the Hairdressers and Cosmetologists budget unit for an information technology project; appropriate Restricted Funds and Federal Funds to Medicaid Benefits for reimbursement of outpatient hospital services under the Hospital Rate Improvement Program; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain, delete, and add to original provisions to amend 2022-2024 Executive Branch biennial budget to provide carry forward authority for CPE, provide carry forward authority for the Louisville Zoo, adjust KTRS appropriations and reporting requirements relating to sick leave liability, provide direction for SEEK lapse, provide funding to the Kentucky Nonprofit Network, provide carry forward authority for the American Battlefield Trust, and provide agency bonds for a WKU capital project; amend the 2022-2024 Transportation Cabinet budget to modify appropriations for the Electric Vehicle Charging Program; appropriate Federal Funds to KDE for plasma games; appropriate Restricted Funds to the Hairdressers and Cosmetologists budget unit for an information technology project; appropriate Restricted Funds and Federal Funds to Medicaid Benefits for reimbursement of outpatient hospital services under the Hospital Rate Improvement Program; transfer funding to the Rural Housing Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY. FCCR 1 Amend the Executive Branch budget bill to allow General Fund moneys appropriated to the Council on Postsecondary Education to carry forward into fiscal year 2023-2024; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to provide General Fund moneys to the City of Lancaster for the fire department substation; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to allow General Fund moneys appropriated to the Louisville Zoo to carry forward into fiscal year 2023-2024; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to remove General Fund moneys from the Teachers' Retirement System for sick leave liability in each fiscal year; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to move Datasream appropriation and provision from KDE to ELC; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to appropriate Federal Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act to the Kentucky Nonprofit Network in fiscal year 2022-2023 to support outreach, resources, and programming for Kentucky nonprofits; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to allow General Fund moneys appropriated to the American Battlefield Trust to carry forward into fiscal year 2023-2024; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to appropriate Agency Funds to Western Kentucky University for the Construct New Gordon Ford College of Business capital project in fiscal year 2023-2024; amend the Executive Branch budget bill to appropriate Federal Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act to the Learning and Results Services budget unit in fiscal year 2023-2024 for a chemistry and physical science 3D game-based learning platform for middle school and high school students; amend the Transportation Cabinet budget bill to remove General Fund moneys from the General Administration and Program Support budget unit in fiscal year 2022-2023 for the Electric Vehicle Charging Program; appropriate Restricted Funds to the Hairdressers and Cosmetologists budget unit as a one-time allocation for an information technology project; appropriate Restricted and Federal Funds to the Medicaid Benefits budget unit in each fiscal year to provide Medicaid reimbursement of outpatient hospital services under the Hospital Rate Improvement Program; make Restricted Funds transfers to the Rural Housing Trust Fund and appropriate those funds; make Restricted Funds transfer to the Self-Insurance Fund and stipulate that those funds be disbursed to the Kentucky Group Self-Insurance Guaranty Fund; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/28/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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AN ACT relating to branch budget recommendations.

Amend KRS 48.165, relating to branch budget recommendations, to clarify that the term "biennium" refers to the fiscal biennium.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB451 PUBLIC CONTRACTS *(BLANTON, JOHN)*

AN ACT relating to public contracts.

Create new sections of KRS Chapters 45A, 56, and 65 requiring that state and local contracts contain a provision that any iron, steel, aluminum, manufactured goods used in all state and local projects be manufactured in the United States unless a waiver is granted; amend KRS Chapters 45A.343, 45A.352, 65.027, 162.070, 164A.575, 176.070, 176.080, and 424.260 to conform; establish a short title of Kentucky Buy American Act.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB458 EDUCATION *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to education.

Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB459 EDUCATION *(TIPTON, JAMES)*

AN ACT relating to education.

Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)

2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HB539 REGULATION OF GAME MACHINES *(TIMONEY, KILLIAN)*

AN ACT relating to the regulation of game machines and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 528.010 to make technical corrections; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/7/2023 - (H) Returned to Committee House Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H)
3/7/2023 - (H) FIRST READING
3/7/2023 - (H) Taken From Committee

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HB542 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT *(MADDOX, SAVANNAH)*

AN ACT relating to workforce development.
Amend KRS. 343.090 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

3/16/2023 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)
3/16/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HCS 1, HCA 1t, HFA 3, and HFA 4
3/15/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HCS 1, HCA 1t, HFA 3 and HFA 4

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HB551 WAGERING *(MEREDITH, MICHAEL)*

AN ACT relating to wagering and making an appropriation therefor.
Create a new section of KRS Chapter 230 to establish the wagering administration fund from sports wagering taxes and fees; direct use of that fund toward related administrative expenses of the Public Protection Cabinet; deposit all remaining funds in the Kentucky permanent pension fund; create new sections of KRS Chapter 230 to require the racing commission to institute a system of sports wagering at tracks; limit the types of events upon which wagers may be placed; establish sports wagering licensure requirements; prohibit participants from wagering on events in which they participate and from tampering with the outcome of a sporting event; amend KRS 230.210 to define "interactive sports wagering technology and service provider," "sporting event," and "sports wagering"; amend KRS 230.215 to declare the intent to allow citizens to enjoy sports wagering and allow the racing commission to promulgate administrative regulations prescribing conditions under which sports wagering is to be conducted; amend KRS 230.990 to penalize participants or licensee employees who wager on sporting events or any person who tampers with the outcome of a sporting event; create a new section of KRS Chapter 138 to define "adjusted gross income" and impose a tax on sports wagering; amend KRS 243.500, 525.090, 528.010, 528.020, 528.070, and 528.080 to exempt sports wagering; amend KRS 68.182, 91.202, 92.282, 230.225, 230.240, 230.260, 230.310, and 230.361 to conform; add severability clause; APPROPRIATION. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions except change the definition of service provider to allow service providers to operate at a licensed facility for sports wagering and simulcast facility; allow sports wagering at a simulcast facility with the track's established service providers; remove the 12 month in person registration requirement; make technical changes; APPROPRIATION. House Floor Amendment (5) Retain original provisions; create the Kentucky problem gambling assistance account; allot 2.5% of funds received in the sports wagering administration fund to the Kentucky problem gambling assistance account; add definitions of sporting event and taxpayer; make conforming changes related to the definitions added; make technical corrections; renumber sections and internal cites; delete sections 19 to 22; amend KRS 436.480 to exempt sports wagering from KRS Chapter 528.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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HB553 AMENDING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH BIENNIAL BUDGET *(PETRIE, JASON)*

AN ACT relating to fiscal matters, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Amend the 2022-2024 Executive Branch biennial budget to remove excess General Fund support for the actuarial cost of sick leave benefits for new retirees under the Teachers' Retirement System; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

3/30/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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HB554 REVENUE *(PETRIE, JASON)*

AN ACT relating to revenue.

Amend KRS 139.785 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/22/2023 - Introduced

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HB560 REVENUE *(OSBORNE, DAVID W.)*

AN ACT relating to revenue.

Amend KRS 131.580 to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

2/22/2023 - Introduced

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HB562 BRANCH BUDGET BILLS *(OSBORNE, DAVID W.)*

AN ACT relating to branch budget bills.
Amend KRS 48.310, relating to branch budget bills, to make technical corrections.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)
2/22/2023 - Introduced

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HB593 EDUCATION *(RABOURN, FELICIA)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/22/2023 - Introduced

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HCR65 ISSUES AFFECTING SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT *(MCCOOL, BOBBY)*

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION directing the Legislative Research Commission to examine issues affecting school district employment. Direct the Legislative Research Commission to conduct a study project relating to public school teachers and the teaching environment, including changing district population size and compensation; designate the Office of Education Accountability to conduct the project establish guidelines for the project; authorize the Office of Education Accountability to seek data necessary to conduct the study from relevant organizations and agencies; require a written report to be submitted by December 1, 2023, to the Interim Joint Committee on Education and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue.

RECENT STATUS

3/2/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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HJR71**AWARENESS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION** (CALLAWAY, EMILY)

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to access to and awareness of postsecondary education.

Direct the Council on Postsecondary Education and public postsecondary education institutions to collaborate to develop a proactive admissions pilot program to establish a statewide universal guaranteed admission program; direct CPE to submit a report on the pilot proactive admissions program to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by November 1, 2024.

RECENT STATUS

3/2/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)

2/22/2023 - Introduced

[HJR71 Bill Page](#)**SB9****HAZING** (MILLS, ROBBY)

AN ACT relating to hazing.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 508 to define "hazing," "student," and "organization"; establish a Class D felony of hazing in the first degree; establish a Class A misdemeanor of hazing in the second degree; amend KRS 164.7874 to remove eligibility for a KEES scholarship if convicted of hazing; provide that the Act may be referred to as Lofton's Law. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; establish that any sentence imposed for hazing shall run concurrently with any sentence imposed under KRS 508.060 or 508.070 arising from the same act or occurrence; make technical corrections. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; remove mental harm from the definition of "hazing"; remove consent as a defense; remove amendment to KRS 164.7874; add a defense for hazing in the first degree for specified athletic events and trainings.

RECENT STATUS

3/27/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

[SB9 Bill Page](#)**SB20****BANNING TIKTOK FROM STATE GOVERNMENT TECHNOLOGY** (MILLS, ROBBY)

AN ACT relating to banning social media applications from state government technology and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to prohibit the use or download of TikTok on any state government network or any state government-issued devices; direct the Commonwealth Office of Technology and the legislative branch to implement controls to block access to TikTok on state government-issued devices and on any state government network; permit the judicial branch of state government to implement its own ban and restrictions of TikTok; EMERGENCY. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend to prohibit the use of TikTok on any device connected to a network owned, operated, or under the control of the Commonwealth Office of Technology and the legislative branch of state government; permit the judicial branch of state government to implement its own ban and restrictions of TikTok; EMERGENCY. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except exempt all public postsecondary education institutions from the requirements of this section; permit executive branch agencies to use TikTok if necessary for law enforcement activities, civil investigations or civil enforcement activities, or research on security practices and security threats, so long as the agency takes appropriate steps to obtain access without endangering the agency's network, or any network owned, operated, or under the control of state government; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**
3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor
3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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SB24 KEES SCHOLARSHIPS *(SCHICKEL, JOHN)*

AN ACT relating to KEEs scholarships for students attending noncertified schools.
Amend KRS 164.7874 to include an equivalent score on the Classic Learning Test as a KEEs supplemental amount; define an "eligible noncertified school graduate"; amend definitions of "KEEs award, maximum", and " KEEs base amount" for an eligible noncertified school graduate; amend KRS 164.7879 to establish an equivalent grade point average for eligible noncertified school graduates based on the graduate's ACT score; amend KRS 164.7884 to conform.

RECENT STATUS

3/13/2023 - (H) Returned to Committee House Education (H)
3/13/2023 - (H) SECOND READING
3/10/2023 - (H) Returned to Committee House Education (H)

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SB25 POSTSECONDARY READINESS INDICATORS *(WILSON, MIKE)*

AN ACT relating to postsecondary readiness indicators and declaring an emergency.
Amend KRS 158.6455 to include achieving three hours of dual credit or qualifying for three hours of postsecondary articulated credit as a postsecondary readiness indicator. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; prohibit requiring an apprenticeship, cooperative, or internship that is used as a postsecondary readiness indicator from being offered as only a high school course or during the regular school day, week, or year; EMERGENCY.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**
3/15/2023 - delivered to Governor
3/15/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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SB31 CONCEALED DEADLY WEAPONS *(SOUTHWORTH, ADRIENNE)*

AN ACT relating to concealed deadly weapons.
Amend KRS 527.070 to modify the types of school facilities where weapons are prohibited; state that the prohibition of weapons on school grounds only applies when entrances to the school buildings display a sign indicating that unlawfully possessing a weapon in a school is a felony; remove the requirement that signs be prominently displayed indicating possessing a weapon in a school is prohibited; remove the provision that failure to post the signs indicating weapons are prohibited in schools shall not relieve a person

of liability; amend KRS 150.172, 237.110, and 527.020 to conform; repeal KRS 237.115 which interprets the application of the license to carry concealed deadly weapon statute as permitting postsecondary facilities and state and local governments to limit concealed carry in governmental buildings.

RECENT STATUS

2/14/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)

1/3/2023 - Introduced

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SB33 KENTUCKY CYBERSECURITY CENTER *(NEMES, MICHAEL J.)*

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Cybersecurity Center.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish the Kentucky Cybersecurity Center (KentuckyCYBER) at the University of Louisville; establish the purpose and duties of KentuckyCYBER; create the KentuckyCYBER fund; APPROPRIATION. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; add a provision that KentuckyCYBER shall facilitate cooperation among universities, primary education facilities, and business to create a secure cyberinfrastructure; delete appropriations for fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; add a provision that KentuckyCYBER shall facilitate cooperation among universities, primary education facilities, and business to create a secure cyberinfrastructure; delete appropriations for fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HFA 1, HFA 2, HFA 3, and HFA 4

3/29/2023 - floor amendment (4) filed to Committee Substitute

3/29/2023 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HFA 1, HFA 2, and HFA 3

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SB49 TEACHER CERTIFICATION *(DENEEN, MATTHEW)*

AN ACT relating to teacher certification and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 161.048, relating to alternative methods of teacher certification, to change the provisional certification period from two to four years for Option 6 and Option 7; EMERGENCY. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; allow any person receiving emergency teaching certification during the 2022-2023 school year to be eligible to renew that certification during the 2023-2024 school year.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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SB54 KENTUCKY EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS (CARPENTER, JARED)

AN ACT relating to Kentucky educational excellence scholarships.

Amend KRS 164.7884 to define "proprietary school" and "qualified proprietary school program" and allow use of KEES funds for enrollment in a qualified proprietary school program; amend KRS 165.7879 to allow a student who attends an out-of-state high school or Department of Defense school due to a parent's military transfer to earn a KEES award if the student earned a base amount in a previous year at a Kentucky high school. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; allow KEES to be used for a workforce solutions training program offered by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and approved by the authority or at an eligible college of art and design; define "approved workforce solutions training program" and "eligible college of art and design."

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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SB62 PRIVACY (WESTERFIELD, WHITNEY)

AN ACT relating to privacy.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 61 to define terms; prohibit a public agency from requiring an individual or nonprofit organization to compel the release of personal information, release personal information in possession of the agency, or require a contractor or grantee with the public agency to provide a list of nonprofit organizations to which it provides financial support; create exceptions; create penalties; and include a severability clause; SHORT TITLE. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain the original provisions; add in Section 3 an exemption for disclosures, reports, or investigations pursuant to KRS 6.601 to 6.849 or KRS Chapter 11A, except that such information shall only be used in connection with the specific disclosures, reports, or investigations and for any related proceedings; add an exemption for review work conducted pursuant to KRS Chapter 43 by the Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts. House Floor Amendment (1) Retain original provisions, except remove one condition for the response to a lawful request for discovery and permit a party to obtain a protective order barring disclosure of personal information to any person named in the litigation; clarify that the disclosure of personal information from a donation to a nonprofit organization that is affiliated with a public agency and required by statute includes the voluntary submission of personal information from a nonprofit to a public agency for verification purposes as a condition of receiving matching grant funding; make amendments for conformity to the KRS.

RECENT STATUS

3/29/2023 - became law without Governor's Signature

3/29/2023 - **BECAME LAW WITHOUT GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE**

3/28/2023 - filed without Governor's signature with the Secretary of State

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SB66 STATE FUNDED DATA (MEREDITH, STEPHEN)

AN ACT relating to state-funded data.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 requiring public universities to provide data provided by or paid for by the state to a state agency or eligible non-state entity upon request.

RECENT STATUS

3/3/2023 - (S) recommitted to committee Senate Education (S)

2/17/2023 - (S) SECOND READING, to Rules

2/16/2023 - (S) FIRST READING

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SB84 REGULATION OF FIREARMS *(THOMAS, REGINALD)*

AN ACT relating to the regulation of firearms and ammunition by local governments.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to allow urban-county governments and consolidated local governments to regulate firearms and ammunition to reduce gun violence except when state or federal law preempts local governance; amend KRS 65.870 to conform.

RECENT STATUS

2/9/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

2/7/2023 - Introduced

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SB101 PEACE OFFICER CONTRACTS *(TURNER, JOHNNIE)*

AN ACT relating to peace officer contracts.

Amend KRS 16.050 to extend contracts subject to reimbursement for training costs to five years for state police officers; amend KRS 70.290 to extend contracts subject to reimbursement for training costs to five years for law enforcement officers employed by cities and counties; amend KRS 183.881 to allow public airport boards to condition employment of a safety and security officer to contract to repay the airport board for training costs if the officer accepts a similar position within five years, and require the firing entity to repay costs under certain circumstances. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 150.090 to include conservation officers; amend KRS 158.477 to include local boards of education which employ their own peace officers; define police departments to include local school boards with their own peace officers as local law enforcement agencies.

RECENT STATUS

3/23/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

3/16/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

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SB102 RIGHTS OF PARENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS *(TICHENOR, LINDSEY)*

AN ACT relating to education.


Create new sections of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; make legislative findings and declarations on the rights of parents as it relates to public schools and establish a standard to protect those rights; require public schools to establish a process to receive complaints of violations; create a cause of action for violations and establish limitations; establish specific parental rights as related to

public schools; require public schools to adopt policies to protect those rights; require the Kentucky Department of Education to eliminate administrative regulations in violation and develop recommended policies to public schools for compliance; make findings and declarations related to privacy of parents and children and require public schools to adopt policies to safeguard those rights; establish a cause of action for a child encountering a person of the opposite biological sex while in a location where there is a reasonable expectation of bodily privacy; create a cause of action for those who are forced by a public school to share private quarters with specific people of the opposite biological sex and provide exclusions; make findings and declarations relating to controversial subject matter in common schools; establish a parental right of not having a child indoctrinated into any political position or being involved in advocacy in a controversial subject matter; establish limitations on school personnel related to instruction and discussion on sexual orientation, sexual preference, or gender expression; establish limitations on school personnel advocacy in the scope of employment and actions based on the immutable characteristics of students; prohibit compelling school personnel to advocate for or against anything in opposition to sincerely held beliefs and convictions; require public schools to adopt enforcement policies; establish limitations; establish a parental right to expect a child not be exposed to or given access to harmful to minors, pervasively vulgar, or obscene matter or performance or obscene imagery representing minors; require that public schools adopt policies to protect that right by making those materials and performances inaccessible and prohibit matters and performances harmful to minors, drag performances, pervasively vulgar performances, obscene performances, and any performance involving sexual conduct, nudity, or stripping; provide that none of the materials identified shall be deemed to have educational value for minors; establish limitations; amend KRS 158.148 to establish a parental right to expect a child will not be bullied at school and require public schools adopt policies to ensure notification and support of bullying victims, require an order of reporting to staff, require specific time requirements for investigations; provide for an appeal and review of incidents; require identification of actions to prevent future acts of bullying or retaliation; require procedures for supporting victims; establish a short title of the Childhood Protection in Education Act.

RECENT STATUS

2/10/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)

2/8/2023 - Introduced

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SB110 HEALTH CARE *(TICHENOR, LINDSEY)*

AN ACT relating to health care.


Amend KRS 314.091 to expand when the Kentucky Board of Nursing can suspend or reprimand a licensed nurse; amend KRS 314.101 to allow licensed nurses from another state who are in the state on a nonroutine basis to practice; amend KRS 314.121 to limit the nurse educators on the Kentucky Board of Nursing to no more than three. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 314.121 to require that the number of nurse educators on the Kentucky Board of Nursing be no less than three and no more than six. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 314.121 to require that the number of nurse educators on the Kentucky Board of Nursing be no less than three and no more than six. House Floor Amendment (2) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 194A.705 to correct reference and expand the provision to include long-term care facilities.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

3/16/2023 - for concurrence in House Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendments (1-title) and (2)

3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

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SB132 STUDENT JOURNALIST FREEDOM *(NEAL, GERALD A.)*

AN ACT relating to student journalist freedom.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to state legislative findings; establish definitions; provide additional free speech protections for student journalists; place limitations on additional protections; provide protection for student media advisors; require each district to adopt a written policy for time, place, and manner restrictions, and for an appeals procedure; provide that student speech not be considered school speech; provide that a student journalist or student media advisor may seek injunctive relief; establish the short title of New Voices Act.

RECENT STATUS

2/16/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)

2/14/2023 - Introduced

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SB138 SUBSTITUTE TEACHER CERTIFICATION *(TICHENOR, LINDSEY)*

AN ACT relating to substitute teacher certification.

Amend KRS 161.102 to require the Education Professional Standards Board to issue substitute teacher certificates based on education attained; specify what type of employment the certificates are valid for.

RECENT STATUS

3/10/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)

3/8/2023 - received in House

3/8/2023 - (S) THIRD READING, passed 36 -0

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SB150 CHILDREN *(WISE, MAX)*

AN ACT relating to children.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to establish definitions; require specific parental notifications from public schools; require school districts to adopt specific procedures related to parental rights; limit authority of the Kentucky Board of Education and Kentucky Department of Education in relation to parental rights and a student's use of pronouns; prohibit district or school policies with the intent of keeping student information confidential for parents; prohibit a school district from requiring school personnel or pupils to use pronouns for students that do not conform to that student's biological sex; provide school districts and district personnel authority to seek emergency medical services for a student; provide conditions for student confidentiality; amend KRS 158.1415 to establish requirements for any public school's course, curriculum, or program on the subject of human sexuality. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; exclude academic and career counseling from "mental health services;"; provide that notification relating to services be focused on human sexuality, contraception, or family planning; include requirement that specific questionnaires or screening forms given to a child receive parental consent and review and forbid general consent; allow district personnel to seek or provide emergency medical or mental health services pursuant to district policy; and specify that nothing in Section 1 shall remove the duty to report a dependent child or abused or neglected child due to risk of physical or emotional injury.

RECENT STATUS

3/29/2023 - Delivered To Secretary Of State

3/29/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by Speaker of the House

3/29/2023 - Enrolled, Signed by President of the Senate

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SB171 EDUCATION *(WEST, STEPHEN)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)
2/17/2023 - Introduced

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SB172 EDUCATION *(WEST, STEPHEN)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)
2/17/2023 - Introduced

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SB173 EDUCATION *(WEST, STEPHEN)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/21/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)
2/17/2023 - Introduced

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SB180 EDUCATION *(THAYER, DAMON)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690 to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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SB181 EDUCATION *(THAYER, DAMON)*

AN ACT relating to education.
Amend KRS 156.690, relating to contracts for personal computers for teachers, to insert gender-neutral language.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Education (S)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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SB182 LOCAL GOVERNMENT *(STIVERS, ROBERT)*

AN ACT relating to local government.
Amend KRS 67.410, relating to the fiscal court appointment of building inspectors, to make technical change.

RECENT STATUS

2/23/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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SB202 DISCIPLINE OF STUDENTS *(WEST, STEPHEN)*

AN ACT relating to discipline of students.
Amend KRS 158.150 to provide a local school board the option to place a student in an alternative program or setting in lieu of expulsion; provide that students placed in an alternative program or setting shall be counted in attendance and membership for school funding purposes; require an annual review of the student's alternative placement; require a local school board to to review an expulsion 30 days prior to end date to determine if an expulsion shall end or continue. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except designate the superintendent to determine if a student should be placed in an alternative program instead of the board.

RECENT STATUS

3/10/2023 - (H) Referred to Committee House Education (H)
3/8/2023 - received in House
3/8/2023 - (S) THIRD READING, passed 36 -0 with Committee Substitute (1)

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SB246 PUBLIC CONTRACTS *(GIVENS, DAVID P.)*

AN ACT relating to public contracts.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 45A to require the Finance and Administration Cabinet to collect and maintain race and ethnicity data for certain contracts; establish standards for race and ethnicity data collection; require a business to self-report race and ethnicity data; prohibit race and data collected from being used in the process to award state contracts listed under KRS 45A.075; require that race and data collected from businesses shall only be used for reporting requirements; require the Finance and Administration Cabinet to submit an annual report to the Commission on Race and Access to Opportunity; outline report requirements; EFFECTIVE in part July 1, 2024.

RECENT STATUS

3/8/2023 - Senate State & Local Government (S), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
2/23/2023 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)
2/21/2023 - Introduced

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SJR98 STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES *(STIVERS, ROBERT)*

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to state administrative bodies.

Direct the Council on Postsecondary Education to study placing a new regional, residential, four-year university in southeastern Kentucky and the allocation of responsibility between the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and regional universities.

RECENT STATUS

3/22/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**
3/16/2023 - for concurrence in House Floor Amendments (1) and (2-title)
3/16/2023 - delivered to Governor

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SR114 CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF GARY LAWRENCE BROADY *(WILSON, MIKE)*

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gary Lawrence Broady to the Western Kentucky University Board of Regents.

Confirm the appointment of Gary Lawrence Broady to the Western Kentucky University Board of Regents for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - adopted 37-0

3/30/2023 - **ADOPTED BY SENATE** 37-0

3/30/2023 - (S) Posted for Passage in Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 30, 2023

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SR115 CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA B. DENNISON *(WILSON, MIKE)*

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Melissa B. Dennison to the Western Kentucky University Board of Regents
Confirm the appointment of Melissa B. Dennison to the Western Kentucky University Board of Regents for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

RECENT STATUS

3/30/2023 - adopted 37-0

3/30/2023 - **ADOPTED BY SENATE** 37-0

3/30/2023 - (S) Posted for Passage in Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 30, 2023

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