

# 2018 Legislative Session Report #8

March 12, 2018

## Senate Bills

[SB 1](#) (BR 427) - [J. Bowen](#), [R. Stivers II](#), [C. McDaniel](#), [D. Thayer](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement.

Feb 20, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Feb 21, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

Mar 05, 2018 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 1st reading; returned to State & Local Government (S)

Mar 06, 2018 - taken from State & Local Government (S); 2nd reading; returned to State & Local Government (S)

Mar 07, 2018 - reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1); floor amendments (1), (2) and (3) filed to Committee Substitute

Mar 08, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, March 9, 2018; floor amendments (4) and (5) filed to Committee Substitute

Mar 09, 2018 - recommitted to State & Local Government (S)

[SB 25/LM](#) (BR 254) - [R. Alvarado](#), [D. Thayer](#), [J. Schickel](#), [W. Schroder](#)

AN ACT relating to special purpose governmental entities.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65A to require proposed increases in ad valorem taxes and certain fees and the levy of new ad valorem taxes or fees by special purpose governmental entities to be submitted to the legislative body of the county or city in which the special purpose governmental entity is located for review; amend KRS 75.031 to require that nonfirefighter property owner members of boards of trustees for fire protection districts and volunteer fire department districts be elected in regular November elections; amend various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to conform; repeal KRS 65A.100; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2019.

AMENDMENTS

## [SB 25 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[SCS1/LM](#) - Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65A to require proposed increases in ad valorem taxes and certain fees and the levy of new ad valorem taxes or fees by special purpose governmental entities to be submitted to the legislative body of the county or city in which the special purpose governmental entity is located for review; amend various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to conform; repeal KRS 65A.100; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2019.

[SFA1](#)( W. Schroder ) - Exempt local air boards from provisions of this bill.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 05, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

Jan 17, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Jan 18, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 02, 2018 - floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

Feb 13, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Feb 14, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 22-14 with Committee Substitute (1) & floor amendment (1)

Feb 15, 2018 - received in House

Feb 20, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## [SB 66/FN](#) (BR 846) - [C. McDaniel](#), [W. Schroder](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement.

Amend KRS 61.530 to insert gender-neutral language.

## AMENDMENTS

### [SB 66 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[SCS1/AA](#) - Amend KRS 61.522 to allow universities, community colleges, and health departments to cease participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System provided the agency pays the cost of ceasing participation; provide a window where quasi-state agencies who are eligible to cease participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or non-stock non-profit agencies eligible to cease participating in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) may elect prior to July 1, 2018, to cease participating in the system by paying the prorated share of the system's unfunded liability based upon the employer's share of total payroll in FY 2015, 2016, and 2017; provide that the window effective cessation date is June 30,

2019 and that employees of the ceasing employer shall contribute until June 30, 2019; allow employers ceasing participation in the window to pay off the cost through installments without interest; provide that the installments in FY 19 and 20 shall be equal to the contributions paid by the employers in FY 18 and to provide an increase in the payment of 5% per year each year; provide a maximum payback period of 40 years; amend KRS 61.565 to provide that CERS employer contribution rate shall not increase by more than 12% per year over the prior fiscal year from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2028; EMERGENCY.

[SCA1](#)( C. McDaniel ) -

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 05, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

Feb 27, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and committee amendment (1-title)

Feb 28, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

[SB 77/LM](#) (BR 1030) - [D. Ridley](#)

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation for rescue squad employees.

Jan 10, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 11, 2018 - to Economic Development, Tourism, and Labor (S)

[SB 81 / AA](#) (BR 881) - [J. Turner](#)

AN ACT relating to erroneous payments to the Kentucky Retirement Systems.

Jan 16, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 17, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB 88](#) (BR 1093) - [P. Hornback](#), [M. Wilson](#), [J. Bowen](#)

AN ACT relating to city mandates.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 6 to prohibit the General Assembly from imposing requirements on cities that require city expenditures or tax levies without fully funding the requirement or making the requirements contingent on city legislative body approval; exempt requirements that are the result of a federal mandate; ensure that the provisions do not affect the obligations under KRS 6.950 to 6.975.

#### AMENDMENTS

[SB 88 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[SFA1](#)( C. McDaniel ) - Direct that cities of any class shall remain liable for statutory obligations under KRS 78.510 to 78.852 or any other retirement system or plan.

Jan 17, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 18, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

Jan 24, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar; floor amendment (1) filed

Jan 25, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 08, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 8, 2018; 3rd reading, passed 36-0 with floor amendment (1)

Feb 09, 2018 - received in House

Feb 13, 2018 - to Local Government (H)

Feb 15, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 21, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 22, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 28, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 1, 2018

AN ACT relating to the law enforcement and firefighters foundation programs, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 15.420 to differentiate between a local police officer and a state police officer and to further define which state employees are state police officers; amend KRS 15.460 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified police officer to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement in an amount equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified local police officer, but not more than a total of \$525,000 for each fiscal year, to provide that a conservation officer is a participant in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Program Fund but require that the annual training stipend disbursed to a conservation officer shall be paid from the game and fish fund; amend KRS 95A.250 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified professional firefighter to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, and to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement in an amount equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified professional firefighter, but not more than a total of \$250,000 for each fiscal year; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the allotment to certain volunteer fire departments to \$11,000 annually to each qualifying department; amend KRS 150.150 to allow funds in the game and fish fund to be used to pay the annual supplement to conservation officers; make various conforming amendments; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

#### AMENDMENTS

##### [SB 90 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[SCS1](#) - Amend KRS 15.420 to differentiate between a local police officer and a state police officer and to further define which state employees are state police officers; amend KRS 15.460 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified police officer to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement in an amount equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified local police officer, but not more than a total of \$525,000 for each fiscal year, to provide that a conservation officer is a participant in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Program Fund but require that the annual training stipend disbursed to a conservation officer shall be paid from the game and fish fund; amend KRS 95A.250 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified professional firefighter to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, and to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified professional firefighter, but not more than a total of \$250,000 for each fiscal year; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the allotment to certain volunteer fire departments to \$11,000 annually to each qualifying department; amend KRS 150.150 to allow funds in the game and fish fund to be used to pay the

annual supplement to conservation officers; make various conforming amendments;  
APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

Jan 17, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 18, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)  
Feb 20, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee  
Substitute (1)  
Feb 21, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules  
Feb 23, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday,  
February 26, 2018  
Feb 26, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 36-0 with Committee Substitute (1)  
Feb 27, 2018 - received in House  
Mar 01, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[SB 92/LM](#) (BR 1047) - [D. Ridley](#)

AN ACT relating to pensions for city employees.

Jan 18, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 19, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB 97/LM](#) (BR 1184) - [R. Girdler](#)

AN ACT relating to municipal annexation.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 81A to provide standing to certain individuals to contest annexation of otherwise unpopulated territory; grant the city standing to contest the failed annexation election under KRS 120.250; set a limit of 2 years to contest the annexation of territory; amend KRS 65.012 to change referendum petition signature requirements to include a business or other organization as a petitioner.

AMENDMENTS

[SB 97 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1/LM](#) - Retain original provisions; make technical correction.

Jan 22, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 23, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)  
Feb 07, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar  
Feb 08, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules  
Feb 12, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, February 12, 2018; 3rd reading, passed 34-0  
Feb 13, 2018 - received in House  
Feb 15, 2018 - to Local Government (H)  
Feb 26, 2018 - posted in committee  
Feb 28, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute  
Mar 01, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules  
Mar 07, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 8, 2018

[SB 142](#) (BR 1391) - [D. Carroll](#)

AN ACT relating to training for telecommunicators.

Amend KRS 15.550 to require telecommunicators that provide dispatch for emergency medical conditions to be trained in high-quality telephone cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR).

Feb 12, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Feb 13, 2018 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)  
Mar 01, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar  
Mar 02, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules  
Mar 05, 2018 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 6, 2018  
Mar 06, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 37-1  
Mar 07, 2018 - received in House  
Mar 09, 2018 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection (H)

# House Bills

[HB 2/LM \(BR 244\)](#) - [A. Koenig](#), [B. Rowland](#), [M. Castlen](#), [J. DeCesare](#), [T. Herald](#), [D. St. Onge](#), [S. Wells](#), [A. Wuchner](#)

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation.

Amend KRS 342.020 to limit the time period of payment of medical expenses for certain permanent partial disabilities to 780 weeks but provide a mechanism to apply for extended benefits; limit the number of drug screens for which the employer will be liable; amend KRS 342.035 to specify circumstances upon which utilization review can be waived; mandate promulgation of treatment guidelines and a pharmaceutical formulary; clarify that a fee shall not be charged when an injured worker requests the initial copy of medical records; amend KRS 342.040 to indicate that interest will not accrue when the delay in payment of benefits was caused by the employee; amend KRS 342.125 to clarify that the four-year period in which to reopen a claim begins on the date of the original order granting or denying benefits and that subsequent orders granting or denying benefits shall not be considered an original order; amend KRS 342.185 to indicate that an application for adjustment of claim for compensation for a cumulative trauma injury must be made within five years of the last injurious exposure to the cumulative trauma; amend KRS 342.270 to require commissioner of Department of Workers' Claims to promulgate regulations establishing procedures for resolution of claims; amend KRS 342.315 to include pulmonary specialist as an examiner; amend KRS 342.316 to change procedure for filing occupational disease claims; amend KRS 342.320 to change calculation of attorney fees and increase limitation on amount of fees; amend KRS 342.610 to indicate that the employee must show that the voluntary introduction of a substance into his or her body that causes a disturbance of mental or physical capacities was not the proximate cause of his or her injury; amend KRS 342.700 to allow the recovery in subrogation of indemnity and medical expenses paid to or on behalf of the employee, less a pro rata share of the employee's legal expenses; amend KRS 342.730 to increase average weekly wage caps; set time limits for total disability benefits paid to certain professional athletes; allow payment of temporary total disability benefits to be offset by gross income minus applicable taxes paid to an employee during a period of light-duty work or work in an alternative job position; provide an offset against temporary total disability benefits for salary continuation or wholly employer-funded disability retirement plans; indicate that benefits shall terminate when a plaintiff reaches age 67 or two years after the date of injury, whichever shall last occur; amend KRS 342.7305 to require employment for a minimum of one year in order to be the responsible



employer in a hearing loss claim; amend KRS 342.732 to set forth parameters for retraining; delete provisions of KRS 342.792 requiring the commissioner of Department of Workers' Claims to adopt regulations regarding the "B" reader process; amend KRS 342.794 to require commissioner of Department of Workers' Claims to maintain a list of "B" readers who are pulmonary specialists; amend KRS 342.990 to conform; specify the applicability of substantive changes to claims arising on or after effective date of Act and remedial changes to all claims irrespective of injury date.

#### AMENDMENTS

##### [HB 2 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HFA2](#)( A. Koenig ) - Amend to indicate that a determination that medical benefits should extend beyond the 780 week period is not limited to an extension of only 104 weeks; amend to indicate that a cancer specified in KRS 61.315(11)(b) shall have a 20 year limitations period.

Feb 12, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 13, 2018 - to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H); posted in committee

Feb 15, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 16, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 20, 2018; floor amendment (1) filed

Feb 20, 2018 - 3rd reading; returned to the Orders of the Day; floor amendments (2) and (3) filed

Feb 21, 2018 - floor amendment (1) defeated; passed 55-39 with floor amendment (2)

Feb 22, 2018 - received in Senate

Mar 05, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

##### [HB 61/CI/FN](#) (BR 372) - [G. Watkins](#), [L. Brown](#), [C. McCoy](#), [C. Morgan](#), [B. Reed](#), [R. Rothenburger](#)

AN ACT relating to criminal attempted murder.

Amend KRS 439.3401 to make criminal attempt to commit murder of a peace officer or a firefighter an offense for which at least 85 percent of the sentence must be served before probation or parole.

#### AMENDMENTS

##### [HB 61 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HFA1](#)( R. Rothenburger ) - Amend to include emergency medical personnel in protections for police officers and firefighters.

Nov 17, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to Judiciary (H)  
Jan 04, 2018 - posted in committee  
Jan 10, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar  
Jan 11, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H)  
Jan 16, 2018 - floor amendment (1) filed

[HB 95/LM](#) (BR 159) - [R. Rothenburger](#), [M. Hart](#)

AN ACT relating to fire department merger and making an appropriation therefor.

Amend KRS 75.015 to allow a fire district to charge up to \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed valuation of property in its district when the fire district is a result of a merger of 2 or more districts on or after the effective date of the Act if no emergency ambulance service is operated within the district, and up to \$0.25 when one is; amend KRS 95A.520 to make the section relating to payments made to merging volunteer fire departments apply to fire departments merging prior to the effective date of the Act; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to create a new payment protocol for volunteer fire departments merging on or after the effective date of the Act; amend KRS 95A.540 to provide for the creation of new volunteer fire departments out of a merged volunteer fire department applicable to volunteer fire departments having merged prior to the effective date of the Act; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to provide for the creation of new volunteer fire departments out of a merged volunteer fire department applicable to volunteer fire departments merging after the effective date of the Act; APPROPRIATION.

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House  
Jan 04, 2018 - to Local Government (H)  
Jan 08, 2018 - posted in committee

[HB 96](#) (BR 98) - [M. Hart](#)

AN ACT relating to the investigation of fire related crimes.

Amend KRS 15.310 to include definitions of "certified fire investigator" and "fire investigator"; amend KRS 15.334 to require the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to promulgate administrative regulations to establish a course of training for fire investigators; amend KRS 15.380 to require the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to certify fire investigators; create a new section of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 to list the minimum qualifications of a fire investigator; amend KRS 15.383 to require a certified fire investigator to annually meet marksmanship qualifications; create a new section of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 to allow the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to revoke a fire investigator's certification; create a new section of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 to require a fire investigator to complete training of at least

275 hours; create a new section of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 to establish certification categories for fire investigators; amend KRS 15.388 to require the fire chief to notify the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council that the employee meets the precertification qualifications of a fire investigator; amend KRS 15.442 to specify that a fire investigator is not eligible to participate in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund; and create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to define "fire investigator," and provide that the chief of a fire department may appoint a professional firefighter to be a fire investigator; amend KRS 15.382 to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2019.

## AMENDMENTS

### [HB 96 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1](#) - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 15.310 to include the definition of "fire investigator"; amend KRS 15.340 to provide that the Department of Criminal Justice Training shall offer training to fire investigators; amend KRS 15.380 to add fire investigators to the list of officers required to be certified by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council; amend KRS 15.383 to require the fire investigator's employing agency to keep a record of marksmanship tests; amend KRS 15.442 to specify that fire investigators are not eligible to participate in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to allow for the creation and appointment of fire investigators; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to require fire investigators to get certified by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council and to attend annual in-service training; amend KRS 95.500 to include fire investigators in the list of positions excluded from specific shifts; amend KRS 227.200 to add a definition of "fire investigator"; amend KRS 227.220 to allow the state fire marshal to appoint fire investigators; create a new section of KRS Chapter 227 to require fire investigators to attend basic training and be certified by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council, and allow certified fire investigators to exercise peace officer powers; amend KRS 15.382 to make technical corrections; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2019.

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 04, 2018 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection (H)

Feb 02, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 07, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Feb 08, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Mar 01, 2018 - posted in committee

Mar 06, 2018 - reported favorably, to Rules as a Consent Bill

Mar 08, 2018 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, March 9, 2018

Mar 09, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 84-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

[HB 122](#) (BR 276) - [M. Meredith](#), [L. Brown](#), [M. Hart](#), [K. Imes](#), [P. Pratt](#), [B. Reed](#), [R. Rothenburger](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

AN ACT relating to fire department reporting.

Amend KRS 65A.010, 75.430, and 95A.055 to require fire departments created under KRS Chapter 273 to report to the Fire Commission under KRS 95A.055 rather than under KRS Chapter 65A.

Jan 03, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 05, 2018 - to Local Government (H)

Jan 08, 2018 - posted in committee

Jan 17, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

Jan 18, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, January 19, 2018

Jan 19, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 89-0

Jan 22, 2018 - received in Senate

Jan 23, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[HB 140/LM](#) (BR 31) - [D. Hale](#), [J. Blanton](#), [C. Fugate](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

AN ACT relating to conservation officers and declaring an emergency.

Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 15 related to participation in the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund to provide that the annual training stipend paid to all conservation officers be paid from the game and fish fund established in KRS 150.150 in an amount commensurate to the annual supplement paid to other police officers; amend KRS 15.460 to increase the annual supplement amount to \$4,000 beginning July 1, 2018; EMERGENCY.

## AMENDMENTS

[HB 140 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1/LM](#) - Amend KRS 15.420 to differentiate between a local police officer and a state police officer and to further define which state employees are state police officers; amend KRS 15.460 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified police officer to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement in an amount equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified local police officer, but not more than a total of \$525,000 for each fiscal year, to provide that a Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources conservation officer is a participant in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Program Fund but require that the annual training stipend disbursed to a conservation officer shall be paid from the game and fish fund; amend

KRS 95A.250 to increase the annual supplement for each qualified professional firefighter to \$4,000, beginning July 1, 2018, and to provide each unit of government an administrative expense reimbursement in an amount equal to 7.65% of the total annual supplement received greater than \$3,100 for each qualified professional firefighter, but not more than a total of \$250,000 for each fiscal year; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the allotment to certain volunteer fire departments to \$11,000 annually to each qualifying department; amend KRS 150.150 to allow funds in the game and fish fund to be used to pay the annual supplement to conservation officers; make various conforming amendments; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.  
[HCA1](#)( D. Hale ) - Make title amendment.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 08, 2018 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

Jan 19, 2018 - posted in committee

Jan 25, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar with Committee Substitute and committee amendment (1-title)

Jan 26, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, January 29, 2018

Jan 29, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 89-0 with Committee Substitute and committee amendment (1-title)

Jan 30, 2018 - received in Senate

Jan 31, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[HB 144](#) (BR 853) - [A. Koenig](#), [C. Morgan](#)

AN ACT relating to surcharges on insurance policies and declaring an emergency.

[HB 149](#) (BR 384) - [M. Prunty](#)

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles.

Jan 05, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 09, 2018 - to Transportation (H)

[HB 158](#) (BR 406) - [B. Rowland](#)

AN ACT relating to life insurance for public employees.

Amend KRS 18A.205 to permit certain individuals participating in an optional retirement plan authorized by KRS 161.567, certain individuals employed by a public postsecondary educational institution or certain local governments, and any certified or classified employee or elected member of a local board of education to obtain life insurance under the state-sponsored group life insurance policy or policies if the individual's employer opts to participate in the state-sponsored group life insurance program; amend KRS 18A.210 and 18A.215 to conform.

Jan 08, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 10, 2018 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

Jan 18, 2018 - posted in committee

Jan 24, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

Jan 25, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Jan 26, 2018 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, January 29, 2018

Jan 29, 2018 - taken from the Consent Orders of the Day, placed in the Regular Orders of the Day

Jan 30, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 91-0

Jan 31, 2018 - received in Senate

Feb 01, 2018 - to Banking & Insurance (S)

Feb 06, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

Feb 07, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

[HB 167](#) (BR 400) - [M. Dossett](#), [L. Bechler](#), [G. Brown Jr](#), [K. King](#)

AN ACT relating to abandoned infants.

Amend KRS 405.075 to establish a definition and allow the use of a "newborn safety device" related to the anonymous surrendering of a newborn infant in the Commonwealth.

AMENDMENTS

[HB 167 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1](#) - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 405.075 to establish that a staffed police station, fire station, hospital, or participating place of worship may post a sign easily seen by the public that identifies itself as a safe and legal location to surrender a newborn infant less than 30 days old.

Jan 10, 2018 - introduced in House  
Jan 16, 2018 - to Health and Family Services (H)  
Jan 23, 2018 - posted in committee  
Jan 25, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar with Committee

Substitute

Jan 26, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, January 29, 2018

Jan 29, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 89-0 with Committee Substitute

Jan 30, 2018 - received in Senate

Jan 31, 2018 - to Health & Welfare (S)

[HB 172](#) (BR 835) - [S. Rudy](#)

AN ACT relating to submission of budget unit requests.

Amend KRS 48.050, relating to submission of budget unit requests, to make a technical correction.

Jan 10, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 16, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Jan 25, 2018 - posted in committee

Jan 30, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

Jan 31, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 01, 2018 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, February 2, 2018

Feb 02, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 87-0

Feb 05, 2018 - received in Senate

Feb 06, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[HB 185](#) (BR 1005) - [J. Blanton](#), [M. Cantrell](#), [C. Fugate](#), [K. Moser](#)

AN ACT relating to death-in-line-of-duty benefits and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 16.505 to include in the definition of "dependent child," solely as it applies to a member who dies as a direct result of an act in line of duty or a duty-related injury, a disabled child of any age; define "monthly average pay" to mean the higher of a member's final rate of pay or average monthly creditable compensation earned during the deceased member's last 12 months of employment; amend KRS 16.601 and 61.621 to increase minimum act in line of duty or duty-related death benefits payable to the surviving spouse of a member of any of the systems administered by the Kentucky Retirement Systems from 25% to 75% of the deceased

member's monthly average pay and, if there is no surviving spouse, to the dependent children at the rate of 50% for one dependent child, 65% for two dependent children, and 75% for three or more dependent children; amend KRS 61.510 to define "monthly average pay"; amend KRS 61.542 to provide that the surviving spouse shall supersede all previously designated beneficiaries in the case of line-of-duty death benefits payable from the systems administered by the Kentucky Retirement Systems unless the member files a valid beneficiary designation form after marriage to his or her spouse; amend KRS 61.702 to ensure full and timely hospital and medical insurance benefits for the spouse and dependents of a member who died as a direct result of an act in line of duty or duty-related injury; amend KRS 78.510 to define "monthly average pay"; provide that an eligible surviving spouse of a member who died as a result of an act in line of duty or duty-related injury prior to the effective date of the Act shall receive the increased line of duty or duty-related death benefits; provide that a surviving spouse of a hazardous duty member who died as a result of an act in line of duty on or after January 1, 2017, who was ineligible for the minimum monthly death benefits because he or she was not named beneficiary shall be eligible for the benefits provided by this Act; EMERGENCY.

Jan 11, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 17, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 200](#) (BR 827) - [S. Rudy](#)

AN ACT relating to appropriations and revenue measures providing financing and conditions for the operations, maintenance, support, and functioning of the government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its various officers, cabinets, departments, boards, commissions, institutions, subdivisions, agencies, and other state-supported activities.

Jan 16, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 18, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 16, 2018 - taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 1st reading; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 22, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 28, 2018 - reported favorably with Committee Substitute and committee amendment (1-title); 2nd reading, to Rules

Mar 01, 2018 - taken from Rules (H); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 1, 2018; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute; 3rd reading, passed 76-15 with Committee Substitute, committee amendment (1-title), floor amendment (1)

Mar 02, 2018 - received in Senate

Mar 06, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)



[HB 252/LM](#) (BR 100) - [J. DeCesare](#), [P. Pratt](#), [J. DuPlessis](#), [R. Heath](#), [R. Mills](#)

AN ACT relating to unemployment insurance.

Amend KRS 341.243 to require adjusting of rates and give the secretary of Education and Workforce Development Cabinet the authority to reduce rates or suspend payments to the service capacity upgrade fund; amend KRS 341.300 to specify when interest on unpaid contributions accrues and becomes due; amend KRS 341.350 to increase the highest wages in a base period and adjust the minimum base-period wages; amend KRS 341.360 to make technical corrections; amend KRS 341.380 to set the maximum weekly amounts and the length of time benefits will be paid; amend KRS 341.540 to define and redefine terms; provide when an acquiring employing unit is deemed a successor.

Jan 25, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 29, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Jan 31, 2018 - reassigned to Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H)

Feb 01, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 22, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute

Feb 23, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; floor amendments (1) and (4) filed to Committee Substitute, floor amendments (2) and (3) filed to Bill

Mar 01, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, March 2, 2018

Mar 05, 2018 - floor amendment (5) filed to Committee Substitute

Mar 07, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 78-13 with Committee Substitute and floor amendment (5)

Mar 08, 2018 - received in Senate

Mar 09, 2018 - to Economic Development, Tourism, and Labor (S)

[HB 279](#) (BR 1181) - [R. Rothenburger](#), [M. Hart](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

AN ACT relating to emergency medical services.

Amend KRS 311A.010 to define "advanced emergency medical technician" and "emergency medical responder, " and update other definitions; amend KRS 311A.015 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; amend KRS 311A.020 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add certification of advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.025 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; amend KRS 311A.030 to update licensing categories; amend KRS 311A.050 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.055 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.060 change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.065 to update psychological or physical evaluation requirements; amend KRS

311A.075 to update board membership; amend KRS 311A.095 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; add electronic mail application requirements; delete outdated transition language; amend KRS 311A.105 to add electronic mailing requirements; amend KRS 311A.120 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians and paramedics; amend KRS 311A.125 to delete continuing competency documentation requirement; amend KRS 311A.130 to change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.140 to clarify certification and licensure requirements; change "first responder" to "emergency medical responder"; add advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 311A.190 to change "run form" to "patient care record"; create new section of KRS Chapter 311A to set requirements for advanced emergency medical technicians; amend KRS 95A.262,189.910, and 311.550 to conform; repeal KRS 311A.110, 311A.115, and 311A.127.

Jan 31, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 02, 2018 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Admin Regs (H)

Feb 09, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 14, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

Feb 15, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, February 16, 2018

Feb 16, 2018 - 3rd reading, passed 84-0

Feb 20, 2018 - received in Senate

Feb 21, 2018 - to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (S)

[HB 293](#) (BR 488) - [J. Fischer](#), [S. Riggs](#), [B. Rowland](#)

AN ACT relating to asbestos bankruptcy trust claims and declaring an emergency.

## AMENDMENTS

[HB 293 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1](#) - Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define "asbestos action," "asbestos trust," "trust claims materials," and "trust governance documents"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to require a plaintiff filing an asbestos action to provide parties with a sworn statement; make available to all parties certain claims information; establish plaintiff's failure to provide claim information as grounds for extending trial date; require the court to stay the action for plaintiff's failure to provide information in sworn statement; provide for sanctions against the plaintiff for failure; establish discretionary stay in action until plaintiff files trust claims; establish admissibility of trust claims material; and prohibit claim of privilege for certain

trust materials; create a new section of KRS 411 to allow a defendant to identify trust claims not filed by plaintiff; allow a defendant to request a court to require the plaintiff to claim potential claims; provide for the plaintiff's response to defendant's motion to require claim filing; require a stay of asbestos action if court determines sufficient basis for trust claims to be filed by plaintiff; require court enter into record trust claims documents; establish admissibility of asbestos trust claims; establish that sufficiency of evidence to support jury finding products covered by a trust may be a substantial factor in plaintiff's injury; provide defendant the right to setoff or credit from certain asbestos trust claim damages; authorize Sections 1 to 3 to be cited to as the "Asbestos Bankruptcy Trust Claims Transparency Act"; EMERGENCY.

Feb 01, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 05, 2018 - to Banking & Insurance (H); posted in committee

Feb 07, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute

Feb 08, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules

Feb 09, 2018 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, February 12, 2018

[HB 366](#) (BR 1195) - [S. Rudy](#), [K. Fleming](#)

AN ACT relating to revenue measures, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency.

[HB 366 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1](#) - Retain the original provisions; create new sections of subchapter 20 of KRS Chapter 224 to establish the Volkswagen Leverage Fund; amend KRS 224.50-868 to increase the new tire fee to two dollars (\$2) for each tire sold, impose the fee upon the retailer, and subject the fee to sales tax; establish the TVA regional development agency assistance fund and appropriate moneys to the fund; amend KRS 138.140 to increase the cigarette tax by fifty cents (\$0.50) per pack; amend KRS 138.143 to impose the floor stock tax on cigarette inventory on hand at 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2018; amend KRS 139.538 to suspend applications for refunds of sales tax to motion picture companies until July 1, 2020; create a new section of KRS Chapter 148 to suspend applications for the film industry income tax credit until July 1, 2020; amend KRS 148.8531 to suspend applications for tourism development incentives until July 1, 2020; amend various sections to conform and to require reporting of data; create new sections of KRS Chapter 148 to impose a tax on wholesale opioid distributors and mail-order pharmacies at a rate of 25 cents (\$0.25) per dose beginning January 1, 2019; amend KRS 141.020 to eliminate the personal credit for taxpayer, spouse, and dependents; EMERGENCY.

[HCA1](#)( S. Rudy ) - Make title amendment.

Feb 14, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 16, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H); taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H); 1st reading; returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

Feb 22, 2018 - posted in committee

Feb 28, 2018 - reported favorably with Committee Substitute and committee amendment (1-title); 2nd reading, to Rules

Mar 01, 2018 - taken from Rules (H); posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 1, 2018; 3rd reading, passed 68-25 with Committee Substitute (1), committee amendment (1-title)

Mar 02, 2018 - received in Senate

Mar 06, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[HB 373](#) (BR 1384) - [R. Benvenuti III](#)

AN ACT relating to disclosure of body-worn camera recordings.

[HB 373 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HCS1](#) - Amend a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to enumerate when disclosure of footage or a record is governed by KRS 61.870 to 61.884; provide that release of footage to a criminal defendant or his or her attorney is governed by the rules of discovery; provide that this section does not override KRS 189A.100; create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to provide additional prerequisites for the viewing or use of footage by an attorney representing an individual who is depicted on body camera footage and enumerate punitive requirements for attorneys who violate those guidelines.

[HFA1](#)( R. Benvenuti III ) - Amend Section 1 to expand the definition of "use of force", provide an exception as to when a public agency may elect not to disclose body-worn camera recordings that includes footage of a private residence, delete subsection related to the request of footage by a criminal defendant or an attorney representing a criminal defendant; and amend Section 2 to provide that footage released to an attorney pursuant to the provisions of subsection (2) may also be shared with an insurance company under certain enumerated circumstances.

Feb 14, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 16, 2018 - to Judiciary (H)

Feb 22, 2018 - posted in committee

Mar 07, 2018 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

Mar 08, 2018 - 2nd reading, to Rules; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

[HB 443 \(BR 1296\) - R. Benvenuti III](#)

AN ACT relating to nonprofit corporations.

Amend, create, and repeal and reenact various sections of KRS Chapter 273 to modernize statutes regulating nonprofit corporations.

Feb 22, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 26, 2018 - to Judiciary (H)

Mar 09, 2018 - posted in committee

[HB 461/LM \(BR 1074\) - M. Meredith](#)

AN ACT relating to supplements paid to police officers, professional firefighters, and qualified volunteer fire departments, declaring an emergency, and making an appropriation therefor.

Amend KRS 15.460, relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund, to increase the stipend paid to police officers to \$4,000 and make the beginning date for the stipend commence July 1, 2018; add provisions for an administrative expense payable to each city, county, combination of cities and counties, or county sheriff's office; restate that the payment to the police is to be transmitted to the police officer by the stipulated local government; amend KRS 95A.250, relating to the Firefighters Foundation Program fund, to increase the stipend paid to professional firefighters to \$4,000 and make the beginning date for the firefighter stipend commence July 1, 2018; add provisions for an administrative expense payable to each eligible local government; update reference to Cabinet for Health and Family Services; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the volunteer fire department allotment to \$11,000 and make the beginning date for the allotment July 1, 2018; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY

Feb 23, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 27, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 478/LM](#) (BR 134) - [J. DeCesare](#), [R. Rothenburger](#)

AN ACT relating to public notice.

Amend KRS 64.810, 65.530, 65.686, 65A.050, 67.090, 67.855, 67A.070, 67A.160, 67A.847, 68.245, 74.361, 76.278, 77.265, 91A.565, 91.756, 94.835, 96.5395, 96A.340, 103.210, 107.360, 157.160, 158.6453, 160.210, 160.463, 160.470, 160.603, 160,614, and 178.330 to delete the requirement that a local government, special district, or school board give public notice through newspaper advertisement and replace the notice requirement with publication on the government's or district's Web site; amend KRS 424.130, 424.150, 424.170, 424.220, 424.240, 424.250, 424.260, 424.270, 424.280, and 424.330 to add publishing on a Web site as a method of advertisement; amend KRS 91A.040, 324A.163, 393,110, and 424.215 to conform; repeal KRS 424.190.

Feb 26, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 28, 2018 - to Local Government (H)

[HB 508 / AA](#) (BR 1896) - [R. Benvenuti III](#)

AN ACT relating to the retirement and reemployment of certified peace officers and other hazardous duty positions in state and local government.

Amend KRS 61.637 to allow either a retiree or the participating employer reemploying the retiree to notify the Kentucky Retirement Systems (KRS) that the retiree has accepted employment with an agency participating in the systems administered by KRS and to require no notice if the reemployment occurs at least six months after retirement; allow either a retiree or the participating employer who contracts with a retiree for a paid position to submit a copy of the contract to KRS and require submission of the contract if the reemployment occurs at least six months after retirement; provide that certified peace officers shall be required to observe a one-month break in service rather than a three-month break in service if reemployed to a position with the State Police Retirement System or as a hazardous member or certified peace officer with the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or the County Employees Retirement System; provide that an individual retiring from any system of KRS who retires from a hazardous position or as a certified peace officer and is reemployed after six months shall be presumed to have no prearranged agreement with the employer; amend KRS 70.292 to make conforming amendment for sheriffs' officers reemploying certified police officers.

Feb 26, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 28, 2018 - to State Government (H)