

# 2018 Legislative Session Report #6

February 21, 2018

## Senate Bills

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

AN ACT relating to retirement.

Amend KRS 6.505 to provide that the "inviolable contract" provisions shall not apply to legislative changes to Legislators' Retirement Plan (LRP) that become effective on or after July 1, 2018; make technical changes; amend KRS 6.520 to reduce the benefit factor of LRP members who began participating prior to 1/1/2014 to 1.97%; amend KRS 6.525 to recalculate current and future LRP retiree benefits effective 1/1/2019 so that the benefit from LRP is based solely upon salary earned as a legislator; amend KRS 6.518 to conform; amend KRS 21.360 to provide that the "inviolable contract" provisions shall not apply to legislative changes to the Judicial Retirement Plan (JRP) that become effective on or after July 1, 2018; make technical changes; amend KRS 21.374 to remove provisions relative to the election to participate in the cash balance plan by existing members and amend to provide that LRP and JRP members may elect to cease participating in LRP or JRP and participate prospectively in KERS in the new optional 401(a) money purchase plan for any future service as a legislator, judge, or justice; amend KRS 21.402 to change the interest credit in the JRP/LRP cash balance plans to 85% of the 5-year smoothed return above 0% if the member is contributing to a state-administered retirement system or plan and 0% if the person is not contributing to a state-administered retirement system or plan; amend KRS 21.460 to prohibit the purchase of recontributions of refunds to LRP/JRP by members who are participating in the 401(a) money purchase plan provided by this Act; amend KRS 21.480 to provide that the "inviolable contract" provisions shall not apply to legislative changes to JRP that become effective on or after July 1, 2018; make technical changes; amend KRS 21.372 and 21.385 to make technical/conforming amendments to JRP/LRP statutes; create a new section of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 to establish an optional 401(a) money purchase plan for new nonhazardous members who begin participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) and County Employees Retirement System (CERS) on or after January 1, 2019, who elect to participate in the plan; provide that the optional money purchase plan shall be a mandatory defined contribution plan that will operate as another benefit tier in KERS/CERS and will include a 4% employer contribution; provide that the investment options for members of the money purchase plan shall be determined by the KRS board and may include options for investing in system assets, investment options provided

by an external vendor selected by the KRS board, or investment options provided through an agreement with the Kentucky Public Employees Deferred Compensation Authority (KDC); provide for a 5-year vesting period for employer contributions in the 401(a) money purchase plan; provide that a member can retire and take a refund or his or her account or annuitize his or her account balance in the 401(a) money purchase plan into one of the payment options provided by the system upon reaching age 65 with 5 years' service or upon meeting a combined age and service requirement of 87 years with a minimum age of 57; amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 relative to SPRS, KERS, and CERS to exclude uniform and equipment allowances from the definition of creditable compensation, require that a final compensation based upon the highest 3 (hazardous) or highest 5 (nonhazardous) years of creditable compensation must contain at least 36 or 60 months, as applicable, for those members retiring on or after January 1, 2019; for Tier I nonhazardous KERS and CERS members retiring on or after July 1, 2023, prohibit lump-sum payments for compensatory time at retirement from increasing retirement benefit calculations; define "nonhazardous position" and "accumulated employer contribution" and make technical and conforming changes; amend KRS 61.546 and 78.616 to provide that members of KERS/CERS/SPRS who retire on or after August 1, 2018, shall not receive sick leave service credit for more than the sick leave they have accumulated as of July 31, 2018, and shall not be eligible to use sick leave service credit for purposes of determining retirement eligibility; provide that no additional KERS/CERS agencies may elect to adopt a sick leave program on or after August 1, 2018; amend KRS 61.565 to define normal cost for purposes of funding for KERS, CERS, SPRS, LRP, and JRP; provide that costs for the optional 401(a) money purchase plan shall be included in the normal cost calculation; provide that for the 2019 actuarial valuation the unfunded liabilities shall be financed using a level dollar amortization method and that unfunded liability payments shall be prorated to each employer based upon the employer's average share of payroll over fiscal years 2015, 2016, and 2017, except for those employers who have ceased participation; provide that employer funding requirements shall be determined using the entry age normal cost method, a 5-year asset smoothing method, and assumptions adopted by the KRS board; provide that KERS and SPRS rates shall be adjusted annually rather than on a biennial basis in the 2020-2022 budget biennium; amend KRS 61.597 to change the interest credit for KERS/CERS nonhazardous members in the cash balance plan to 85% of the 10-year smoothed return above 0% if the member is contributing to a state-administered retirement system or plan and 0% if the person is not contributing to a state-administered retirement system or plan; amend KRS 16.601 to provide that in the event of a line-of-duty death of a KERS, CERS, or SPRS hazardous member, the spouse shall supersede the beneficiary designation on file; amend KRS 61.552 to provide that members who begin participating in the optional 401(a) money purchase plan shall not be eligible to purchase service credit and to make conforming amendments; amend KRS 61.555 to provide that a member in the optional 401(a) money purchase plan shall be credited with employee and employer contributions if called to active duty military service while working; amend KRS 61.637 to specify required breaks in employment for KERS, CERS, SPRS, LRP, JRP, and Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) retirees who retire on or after January 1, 2019, and are reemployed on or after January 1, 2019, and to provide that these reemployed retirees shall not earn a

second retirement account upon reemployment; amend KRS 61.702 to require KRS employees who began participating on or after July 1, 2003, but prior to September 1, 2008, to contribute towards retiree health funding an amount equivalent to the lesser of the normal cost of the retiree health benefit or 3% of creditable compensation; provide that the increase in the employee contribution rate shall be phased-in over a 3-year period and may be adjusted annually after that date by the KRS board in increments of 0.25% of pay if the normal cost decreases/increases, but in no case shall it exceed 3% of creditable compensation; amend KRS 61.705 to provide that members who begin participating on or after January 1, 2014, shall not be eligible for the \$5,000 death benefit payable to KERS, CERS, and SPRS retired members with at least 4 years of service; amend KRS 16.652, 61.692, and 78.852 to provide that the KERS, CERS, and SPRS "inviolable contract" provisions shall not apply to legislative changes that become effective on or after July 1, 2018; make technical changes; amend KRS 61.5955 to remove provisions relative to election by pre-2014 KERS, CERS, and SPRS members to participate in a cash balance plan and amend to provide that KERS and CERS nonhazardous members may elect to cease participating in the pension plan and participate prospectively in the optional 401(a) money purchase plan for future service; amend KRS 61.655 to provide that no member of the General Assembly, public servant, or trustee or employee of the KRS board shall have any interest in the business of KRS while employed/serving and for a period of 5 years following employment/service (starting from July 1, 2017); amend KRS 16.583, 16.645, 61.575, 61.595, 78.640, 61.580, 61.559, 61.605, 61.640, 61.680, 78.545, and 78.650 to make technical/conforming amendments; create a new section of KRS 161.220 to 161.716 to establish a hybrid cash balance plan for new Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) members who begin participating on or after January 1, 2019; provide that the hybrid cash balance plan shall operate as another benefit tier in TRS and will include an 8% employer credit for non-university members and a 4% employer credit for university members; provide for a 5-year vesting period for employer credits in the TRS hybrid cash balance plan; provide that a member can retire and take a refund of his or her account or annuitize his or her account balance in the TRS hybrid cash balance plan into one of the payment options provided by the system upon reaching age 65 with 5 years' service or upon meeting a combined age and service requirement of 87 years with a minimum age of 57; allow a TRS member with less than 5 years of service to elect participation in the hybrid cash balance plan; amend KRS 161.155 to limit the amount of sick leave payments that can be applied to TRS retirement benefit calculations to the amount of sick days accumulated as of July 31, 2018; retain current high-3 final average salary provisions for TRS members with 20 or more years of service as of July 31, 2018; provide that TRS members with less than 20 years of service as of July 31, 2018 may qualify for a high-3 final average salary calculation if he or she is at least age 60 and has at least 35 years of service; define "university member," "nonuniversity member," "accumulated account balance," and "accumulated employer credit"; amend KRS 161.460 to provide that no member of the General Assembly, public servant, or trustee or employee of the TRS board shall have any interest in the business of TRS while employed/serving and for a period of 5 years following employment/service (starting from July 1, 2017); amend KRS 161.470 to provide that new members of TRS cannot purchase recontributions of refunds and existing members cannot use recontributions of

refunds for purposes of determining the date the individual became a member of TRS; amend KRS 161.480, 161.500, 161.507, 161.515, 161.545, 161.5465, 161.547, 161.548, 161.549, and 161.595 to remove certain service purchase provisions for new TRS members effective January 1, 2019; make technical/conforming amendments; amend KRS 161.540 to provide that the employee contribution to fund TRS retiree health benefits for all members shall be increased by the TRS board in 1% of pay increments if the retiree health fund falls below 25% funded, experiences a drop in the funding level for 3 consecutive valuations, or experiences a drop in the funding level of more than 10% over 2 consecutive valuations; amend KRS 161.550 to require TRS employers to pay the full actuarially required contribution rate; provide that for the employer rates payable on or after July 1, 2020, the unfunded liabilities shall be financed using a level dollar amortization method and to prorate unfunded liability payments to each employer based upon the employer's average share of payroll over fiscal years 2015, 2016, and 2017; provide that employer funding requirements shall be determined using the entry age normal cost method; a 5-year asset smoothing method, and assumptions adopted by the TRS board; define "normal cost" and "actuarially accrued unfunded liability contribution," and provide that local school districts shall pay 2% of pay towards the costs of new TRS members retirement benefits; amend KRS 161.568 to prohibit new members, effective January 1, 2019, from transferring service into TRS from an optional defined contribution retirement plan administered by university employers; amend KRS 161.605 to provide that TRS members who retire on or after January 1, 2019, and return to work shall be subject to the amended reemployment after retirement provisions of KRS 61.637; amend KRS 161.620 to provide that TRS members with 20 or more years of service as of July 31, 2018, shall continue to be eligible for a 3% benefit factor for years of service in excess of 30; provide that TRS members with less than 20 years of service as of July 31, 2018, shall be eligible for a 3% benefit factor for years of service in excess of 35 if the member is at least 60 years of age; provide that TRS retirees will receive a 0.75% COLA in lieu of a 1.5% COLA if the pension fund is less than 90% funded as of the most recent valuation for COLAs provided from July 1, 2019, to July 1, 2030; provide that new TRS retirees will receive a 0.75% COLA in lieu of a 1.5% COLA if the pension fund is less than 90% funded as of the most recent valuation for COLAs provided for twelve years following retirement; provide that the TRS COLA provisions do not apply to new members, effective January 1, 2019; amend KRS 161.623 to limit sick leave service credit to the level of sick leave accumulated as of July 31, 2018, for TRS members receiving service credit for accumulated sick leave; provide that agencies who have not elected a TRS sick leave program may not do so on or after August 1, 2018; amend KRS 161.655 to provide that the life insurance benefit from TRS shall not be applicable to new members, effective January 1, 2019; amend KRS 161.661 to conform TRS disability provisions to the plans for new members; amend KRS 161.714 to provide that the TRS "inviolable contract" provisions shall not apply to legislative changes that become effective on or after July 1, 2018 or to new TRS members with the exception of the new member's accumulated account balance; amend KRS 161.400, 161.420, 161.480, 161.520, 161.522, 161.525, 161.580, 161.585, 161.590, 161.600, 161.612, 161.615, 161.630, 161.650, and 161.700 to make technical/conforming TRS amendments; amend KRS 7A.250 to provide that the Public Pension Oversight Board's hiring of an actuary to perform a review of state-

retirement system rates is voluntary; make conforming/technical amendments; create a new section of KRS Chapter 18A to establish conflict of interest provisions for Kentucky Public Employees Deferred Compensation Authority (KDC) employees and trustees; provide that no member of the General Assembly, public servant, or trustee or employee of the KDC board shall have any interest in the business of KDC while employed/serving and for a period of 5 years following employment/service (starting from July 1, 2017); amend KRS 11A.010 to make the KDC board subject to the Executive Branch Code of Ethics; amend KRS 18A.245 to make conforming/technical amendments; require the Public Pension Oversight Board (PPOB) to establish an advisory committee to evaluate CERS separation/restructuring of the KRS systems and report recommendations to the PPOB no later than December 1, 2019; provide that line-of-duty death changes to KRS 16.601 are applicable to surviving spouses of hazardous members who died in the line of duty on or after January 1, 2017; provide severability clause.

Feb 20, 2018 - introduced in Senate

[SB 15](#) (BR 845) - [C. McDaniel](#), [D. Thayer](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement.

Amend KRS 161.525 to insert gender-neutral language.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 05, 2018 - 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 27 / AA](#) (BR 204) - [R. Girdler](#), [S. Meredith](#), [C. Embry Jr.](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefit participation for members of the General Assembly.

Create a new section of KRS 6.145 to 6.237 to allow an individual who becomes a member of the General Assembly on or after the effective date of the Act to make a one-time irrevocable election to not participate in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for his or her service to the General Assembly; allow an individual who has not yet met the requirements for vesting to make a one-time irrevocable election within 60 days of the effective date of this Act to discontinue participation in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for his or her service to the General Assembly and receive a refund of his or her accumulated account balance; provide that the election to not participate or discontinue participation in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System shall apply to all future service of the General Assembly; amend KRS 6.505, 61.510, 61.525, 61.535, and 61.625 to conform.

Sep 28, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).  
Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 03, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB 28 / AA](#) (BR 213) - [R. Girdler](#), [S. Meredith](#), [C. Embry Jr.](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.

Amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members effective August 1, 2018; prohibit current legislators from participating in the Legislators' Retirement Plan on or after August 1, 2018; provide that current and future legislators may only participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for any service to the General Assembly occurring on or after August 1, 2018.

Sep 28, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).  
Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 03, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB 58/FN](#) (BR 840) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating taxation.  
Amend KRS 131.181 to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 05, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB 59/FN](#) (BR 841) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.  
Amend KRS 131.190 to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate  
Jan 05, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB 60/FN \(BR 843\)](#) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.  
Amend KRS 131.030 to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

[SB 61/FN \(BR 837\)](#) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to fiscal matters.  
Amend KRS 131.030, relating to revenue, to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

[SB 62/FN \(BR 839\)](#) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to branch budget bills.  
Amend KRS 48.311, relating to structure of branch budget bills, to make technical corrections.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

[SB 63/FN \(BR 838\)](#) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to fiscal matters.  
Amend KRS 138.230, relating to motor fuel dealer's records, to make technical corrections.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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



[SB 64/FN](#) (BR 836) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to fiscal matters.

Amend KRS 131.175, relating to revenue, to make technical/clarifying corrections.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

[SB 65/FN](#) (BR 842) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.

Amend KRS 131.560 to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

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

AN ACT relating to retirement.

Amend KRS 61.530 to insert gender-neutral language.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

[SB 67](#) (BR 844) - [C. McDaniel](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.

Amends KRS 131.020 to make a technical correction.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in Senate

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

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

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

Amend KRS 39F.170 to require that rescue squad members be covered under workers' compensation when rendering first aid because the rescue squad members are required by the authorizing statute to provide such aid.

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.

Amend KRS 16.543, 61.543, and 78.615 to provide that, if the Kentucky Retirement Systems determines that employee contributions were made in error more than five years following the date the contributions were first made, the systems shall pay the member interest on any refunded contributions at the actuarially assumed rate of return; amend KRS 61.685 to conform.

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

[SB 90/LM](#) (BR 198) - [D. Carroll](#)

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)

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

AN ACT relating to pensions for city employees.

Amend KRS 90.410, 95.560, and 95.624 to allow certain cities of the home rule class to increase pension payments in response to increases in the cost of living as calculated by the consumer price index and as calculated for recipients of Social Security.

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.

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)

[SB 113 / AA](#) (BR 465) - [W. Westerfield](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for local elected officials and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 61.637 to allow a mayor or member of a city legislative body who does not have service credit in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) for his or her service to the city to retire and draw benefits from CERS for other covered employment without resigning from his or her position as mayor or member of a city legislative body; amend KRS 78.540 to provide that a mayor or member of a city legislative body who has been required to participate in CERS due to other covered employment, or because of failure to make an election to not participate as provided by this section, may elect to not participate in CERS for service as mayor or member of the city legislative body and to receive a refund of contributions for his or her service as a mayor or member of a city legislative body; EMERGENCY.

Jan 26, 2018 - introduced in Senate

Jan 29, 2018 - to State & Local Government (S)

[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)

# 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 \(As Introduced\)](#)

[HFA1](#)/P( J. York ) - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 342.0011 to clarify definition of injury to include psychological injuries for certain employees and define "temporary partial disability"; amend KRS 342.020 to allow for attorney fees in medical disputes; amend KRS 342.035 to set forth certain exceptions to utilization review; amend KRS 342.040 and KRS 342.125 to conform; amend KRS 342.320 to increase amount of attorney fees; amend KRS 342.730 to increase cap on income benefits and increase statutory factors for certain permanent impairment; create a new section of KRS Chapter 342 to set out when the psychological injuries are valid workers' compensation claims when no physical injury exists.

[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.

[HFA3](#)( J. York ) - Delete original provisions; amend KRS 342.0011 to define "temporary partial disability"; amend KRS 342.020 to allow for attorney fees in medical disputes; amend KRS 342.035 to set forth certain exceptions to utilization review; amend KRS 342.040 and KRS 342.125 to conform; amend KRS 342.316 to indicate that certain types of cancer specified in KRS 61.315(11)(b) shall have a 20 year limitations period; amend KRS 342.320 to increase amount of attorney fees; amend KRS 342.730 to increase cap on income benefits and increase statutory factors for certain permanent impairment.

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



[HB 29/LM](#) (BR 15) - [J. Wayne](#), [G. Brown Jr](#), [T. Burch](#), [J. Donohue](#), [K. Flood](#), [D. Graham](#), [J. Jenkins](#), [M. Marzian](#), [R. Meeks](#), [D. Owens](#), [R. Palumbo](#), [A. Scott](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.

Jul 13, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 32 / AA](#) (BR 25) - [J. Donohue](#), [M. Cantrell](#), [A. Gentry](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

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

Amend KRS 16.601 and 61.621 to increase minimum death benefits payable to the surviving spouse of a member of the state-administered retirement systems from 25% to 50% of the deceased member's final rate of pay if the member died as a result of an act occurring in the line of duty; 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; provide that eligible surviving spouses of members who died in the line of duty prior to the effective date of the Act shall receive the increased line of duty death benefits; provide that a surviving spouse of a hazardous duty member who died as a result of an act occurring in the 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.

Aug 14, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)

[HB 41 / AA/CI/LM](#) (BR 149) - [D. Keene](#)

AN ACT relating to the expansion of gaming and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a noncodified section to state the findings of the General Assembly; amend KRS 154A.010 to define, "authorizing location," "casino," "county," "county legislative body," "department," "full casino gaming," "gaming licensee," "gross gaming revenue," "handle,"

"licensee," "limited casino gaming," and "principal"; amend KRS 154A.030 to expand the Lottery Corporation board membership and duties; amend KRS 154A.040 to include casino licensees; amend 154A.063 to remove prohibition against casino gaming; create new sections of KRS Chapter 154A to require a local option election in any precinct wanting to host a casino; describe the duties of the county clerk and sheriff in a casino gaming local option election; state requirements for local option elections held on a day other than a regular election day; require the corporation to advertise an invitation to bid for casinos; require the corporation to evaluate all proposals for full casinos; establish initial licensing fees for full casinos at \$50 million with an initial licensing period of 10 years and annual renewal thereafter at \$6 million per year; permit limited casino gaming at horse racing tracks licensed under KRS Chapter 230; establish requirements for limited casinos; establish requirements for any track holding a limited casino license; establish requirements for principals of any corporation granted a casino license; create license application requirements for casino, manufacturer, or supplier's licenses; prohibit anyone not licensed from selling, leasing, or otherwise furnishing gaming supplies; prohibit anyone under the age of 21 from participating in casino gaming; require the Lottery Corporation to determine occupations related to casino gaming that require licensure and establish criteria for occupational licensing; permit the corporation to initiate disciplinary action against applicants and license holders; establish an appeal process; establish a gaming tax of 31% and limit that money to the benefit of the state retirement systems for the first 10 years; establish an admission tax of \$3 per person per day; establish the casino gaming revenue distribution trust fund; establish the regional tourism and infrastructure development fund and provide criteria for projects seeking money from the fund; waive 15 U.S.C. sec. 1172, 1173 and 1174 for devices authorized by this Act; require the corporation to promulgate administrative regulations to define and limit games and devices permitted for gaming in casinos; provide guidelines for exclusion or ejection of certain persons; define "cheat" and provide penalties for those who cheat at casino games; amend KRS 243.500 to exempt limited or full casino gaming; amend KRS 525.090 to exempt persons engaged in casino gaming; amend KRS 528.010 to exempt gambling activity and devices licensed under KRS Chapter 154A; amend KRS 528.020 to conform; amend KRS 528.070 to exempt activity licensed under KRS Chapter 154A; amend KRS 528.080 to exempt those with the appropriate license required under KRS Chapter 154A; amend KRS 528.100 to exempt limited or full casino gaming licensed under KRS Chapter 154A; EFFECTIVE DATE DELAYED.

Sep 18, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to Licensing, Occupations, & Admin Regs (H)

[HB 42 / AA](#) (BR 197) - [D. Keene](#), [R. Rand](#)

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 226 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to casino gaming.

Propose to amend Section 226 of the Constitution of Kentucky to authorize the General Assembly to define and permit casino gaming; prior to July 1, 2029, require that proceeds be used to pay for oversight of casino gaming, and mandate that 100 percent of proceeds in excess of oversight costs go to retirement systems; after July 1, 2029, allow the General Assembly to allocate proceeds.

Sep 18, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

[HB 48 / AA](#) (BR 235) - [R. Mills](#), [J. Blanton](#), [P. Pratt](#), [S. Wells](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefit participation for members of the General Assembly and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS 6.145 to 6.237 to allow individuals who become members of the General Assembly on or after April 1, 2018, to make a one-time irrevocable election to not participate in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for their service to the General Assembly; allow members of the General Assembly who began contributing to the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System on or after December 31, 2014, but prior to April 1, 2018, to make a one-time irrevocable election by December 31, 2018, to discontinue participation in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for their service to the General Assembly and receive a refund of accumulated contributions; provide that the election to not participate or discontinue participation in the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Kentucky Employees Retirement System applies to all future service of the General Assembly; amend KRS 6.505, 61.510, and 61.525 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Sep 28, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)

[HB 51 / AA](#) (BR 230) - [J. Nemes](#), [C. Morgan](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.

Create new sections of KRS 6.500 to 6.577 to permit a member or retiree of the Legislators' Retirement Plan to opt out of the traditional defined benefit plan and elect to participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System's hybrid cash balance plan for nonhazardous employees under KRS 61.597; specify that, on the member's effective election date, the value of the active member's accumulated account balance or a lump-sum payment of the actuarial value of the retiree's benefits be deposited into the member's hybrid cash balance account and be considered part of the member's accumulated account balance in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System; specify that on an active member's effective election date, an employer pay credit shall be applied to the member's accumulated account balance for each contributing month prior to the effective election date; require the Judicial Form Retirement System and the Kentucky Retirement Systems to provide the electing member with information detailing the consequences of the member's or retiree's election; specify that a member or retiree is not eligible to make an election until a private letter ruling by the IRS is received; make the benefit election under this section irrevocable; amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members effective August 1, 2018, and transfer all legislative members' in the hybrid cash balance plan to the hybrid cash balance plan in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System; make conforming amendments to KRS 21.374, 21.402, and 61.597; amend KRS 141.010 and 141.020 to provide that, effective for taxable years on or after January 1, 2019, members and retirees of the Legislators' Retirement Plan who do not opt out of the traditional defined benefit plan and elect to participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System's hybrid cash balance plan have any retirement distributions exceeding \$80,000 taxed at a rate of 75%.

Oct 20, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)

[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 65 / AA](#) (BR 280) - [D. Elliott](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.

Amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members effective August 1, 2018; prohibit current legislators from participating in the Legislators' Retirement Plan on or after August 1, 2018; provide that current and future legislators shall only participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for any service to the General Assembly occurring on or after August 1, 2018.

Nov 22, 2017 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).  
Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)

[HB 82](#) (BR 350) - [P. Moffett](#)

Jan 19-WITHDRAWN

[HB 85](#) (BR 126) - [S. Wells](#)

AN ACT relating to elimination of the certificate of need.

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House  
Jan 04, 2018 - to Health and Family Services (H)

[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)

[HB 105](#) (BR 183) - [B. Reed](#)

AN ACT relating to the terms of office of the trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System of Kentucky.

Amend KRS 161.250 to remove the term limits for appointed and elected trustees of the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System; specify that this Act shall supersede any noncodified provisions to the contrary in prior Acts.

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 04, 2018 - to State Government (H)

[HB 106](#) (BR 88) - [B. Reed](#), [M. Hart](#)

AN ACT relating to hunting and fishing licenses.

Amend KRS 150.175 to allow volunteer firefighters to be issued a combination hunting and fishing license free of charge and set qualifications and conditions of validity for license.

Jan 02, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 04, 2018 - to Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (H)

[HB 121](#) (BR 10) - [C. McCoy](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation.

Amend KRS 139.480, relating to the sales and use tax, to exempt bees used in a commercial enterprise for the production of honey or wax for sale, or in the pollination of crops, and certain items used in that commercial enterprise; require the Department of Revenue to provide information to the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 131.020, 131.135, 131.190, 131.618, 131.650, 131.990, and 141.389 to make various conforming changes; EFFECTIVE August 1, 2018.

Jan 03, 2018 - introduced in House

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



[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 127](#) (BR 896) - [R. Nelson](#)

AN ACT relating to survivor benefits in the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System.

Amend KRS 161.520 to remove marriage as a disqualifying event for a widow or widower who is receiving survivor's benefits from the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System; specify that the widow or widower must have been married to the deceased contributing member for not less than five years.

Jan 04, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 08, 2018 - to State Government (H)

[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.

Amend KRS 136.392 to specify that a rate change in a premium surcharge rate used to supplement both the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund and the Firefighters Foundation Program fund shall only be adjusted by an Act of the General Assembly and be applied 90 days after the effective date of the Act; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2018.

Jan 05, 2018 - introduced in House  
Jan 09, 2018 - to Banking & Insurance (H)

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

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles.

Amend KRS 189.930 to define "personal communication device"; prohibit the use of a personal communication device to take, send, or view photographs or videos of an accident scene while operating a motor vehicle.

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 171](#) (BR 834) - [S. Rudy](#)

AN ACT relating to budget forms.

Amend KRS 48.040, relating to budget forms, to make a technical correction.

Jan 10, 2018 - introduced in House

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

[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 173](#) (BR 833) - [S. Rudy](#)

AN ACT relating to branch budget recommendations.

Amend KRS 48.100, relating to branch budget recommendations, to make a technical correction.

Jan 10, 2018 - introduced in House

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

[HB 181](#) (BR 1066) - [A. Scott](#), [G. Brown Jr](#), [J. Jenkins](#), [M. Marzian](#), [R. Meeks](#)

AN ACT relating to hate crimes.

Amend KRS 532.031 to remove language relating to an offense committed as a result of a

hate crime because of the individual's actual or perceived employment as a city, county, state, or federal peace officer, member of an organized fire department, or emergency medical services personnel; remove language defining "emergency medical services personnel."

Jan 11, 2018 - introduced in House

Jan 17, 2018 - to Judiciary (H)

[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 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 186 (BR 403) - [M. Castlen](#)

Jan 24-WITHDRAWN

[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.

The State/Executive Branch Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; appropriate to General Government: 2017-2018: \$7,018,500, 2018-2019: \$1,704,291,300, 2019-2020: \$1,655,441,200; appropriate to the Economic Development Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$31,672,600, 2019-2020: \$32,384,800; appropriate to the Department of Education: 2018-2019: \$4,885,519,300, 2019-2020: \$4,885,920,600; appropriate to the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$630,653,700, 2019-2020: \$635,306,400; appropriate to the Energy and Environment Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$272,522,400, 2019-2020: \$280,337,000; appropriate to the Finance and Administration Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$932,955,700, 2019-2020: \$962,132,700; appropriate to the Health and Family Services Cabinet: 2017-2018: \$12,064,200, 2018-2019: \$13,902,025,100, 2019-2020: \$14,153,724,700; appropriate to the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet: 2017-2018: \$22,281,300, 2018-2019: \$1,279,407,200, 2019-2020: \$1,315,928,100; appropriate to the Labor Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$221,768,700, 2019-2020: \$221,427,400; appropriate to the Personnel Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$66,174,600, 2019-2020: \$66,486,800; appropriate to Postsecondary Education: 2018-2019: \$7,834,090,600, 2019-2020: \$8,200,114,600; appropriate to the Public Protection Cabinet: 2018-2019: \$123,723,400, 2019-2020: \$122,273,100; appropriate to the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet: 2017-2018: \$8,831,600, 2018-2019: \$258,238,600, 2019-2020: \$261,409,800; appropriate to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund: 2018-2019: \$62,414,100, 2019-2020: \$183,378,000; not included in the appropriation amounts are capital project amounts as follows: 2017-2018 \$16,500,000, 2018-2019: \$2,804,425,500, 2019-2020: \$342,579,500; detail Part II, Capital Projects Budget; detail Part III, General Provisions; detail Part IV, State Salary/Compensation, Benefit, and Employment Policy; detail Part V, Funds Transfer; detail Part VI, General Fund Budget Reduction Plan; detail Part VII, General Fund Surplus Expenditure Plan; detail Part VIII, Road Fund Budget Reduction Plan; detail Part IX, Road Fund Surplus Expenditure Plan; detail Part X, Phase I Tobacco Settlement; and detail Part XI, Executive Branch Budget Summary.

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)

[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

[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

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

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

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 certain information and documents within 30 days of filing the action, and to supplement the information within 30 days of filing any additional asbestos trust claims; allow a court to extend trial date if plaintiff fails to comply; establish presumption of relevance of trust materials and documents; prohibit plaintiff from claiming privilege or confidentiality to bar discovery; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to allow a defendant that has at least 60 days before trial, identified additional asbestos claims, to move the court for an order requiring that the plaintiff file those claims; require that the plaintiff file a response within 10 days of defendant's motion; allow the court to order the plaintiff to file additional claims; establish sufficiency standard for asbestos trust claim; establish a rebuttable presumption that the plaintiff will receive additional compensation from the asbestos trust; allow the court to take judicial notice of specific amounts and to establish an attributed value of the trust claim; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to allow a court to reopen a judgment if an additional claim is determined to have existed at the time of the filed asbestos action and the defendant motions the court to do so within one year of the original judgment; 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 309/LM](#) (BR 194) - [J. Jenkins](#), [M. Cantrell](#), [J. Donohue](#), [J. Sims Jr](#)

AN ACT relating to workers' compensation for first responders.  
Feb 20-WITHDRAWN

[HB 335 / AA](#) (BR 1239) - [J. Kay](#)

AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.

Amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members as of the effective date of the Act; prohibit current legislators from participating in the Legislators' Retirement Plan on or after the effective date of the Act; provide that current and future legislators shall only participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for any service to the General Assembly occurring on or after the effective date of the Act.

Feb 08, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 12, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 336 / AA](#) (BR 1242) - [J. Kay](#)

AN ACT relating to legislators' retirement benefits.

Create a new section of KRS 6.500 to 6.577 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan (LRP) to new members and require new legislators to participate as nonhazardous members of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS NH); for members with a participation date on or after January 1, 2014, move existing hybrid cash balance accumulated account balance to the KERS NH hybrid cash balance plan; for members with a participation date prior to January 1, 2014, provide that service credit previously accrued in the Legislators' Retirement System remain in LRP, but future retirement benefits shall accrue in KERS NH; provide that future legislative retirees on or after the effective date of the Act, have LRP benefits calculated based solely upon legislative salary with no salary reciprocity; amend KRS 61.510 to provide that, for future legislator benefits accrued in KERS NH, "final compensation" is the creditable compensation of the member during all fiscal years of service accrued as a member of the General Assembly on or after the effective date of the Act, divided by the number of years of service as a member of the General Assembly on or after the effective date of the Act; provide that for legislators, "membership date" is the date upon which the member began participating in any of the state-administered retirement systems; amend KRS 6.500, 6.505, 6.515, 6.520,

and 6.525 to make conforming/technical changes.

Feb 08, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 12, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 338 / AA](#) (BR 291) - [J. Kay](#)

AN ACT relating to a pension surcharge on state contracts to be applied to the Kentucky Retirement Systems unfunded liability, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 to create a five percent surcharge on state contracts for personnel hired in lieu of hiring a state employee; require the surcharge to be paid to the unfunded liability trust fund created under KRS 61.706 to be applied to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous pension fund; apply to all participating employers and for all memoranda of agreement and personnel service contracts, as defined in KRS 45A.690 of the Model Procurement Code.

Feb 08, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 12, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB 339](#) (BR 493) - [J. Kay](#)

AN ACT relating to taxation of tobacco and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 42 to establish the underfunded pension trust fund; amend KRS 138.140 to impose a surtax on cigarettes and other tobacco products, including e-cigarettes; amend KRS 138.130 to update definitions for chapter, including adding e-cigarettes to definition of tobacco products; amend various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to conform.

Feb 08, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 12, 2018 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

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

Amend KRS 224.50-868 to extend the new tire fee to July 1, 2020; provide that the amount of principal which a qualified applicant may owe the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation at any one time shall not exceed \$5 million; allow a 0.5% administrative fee to be paid to the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for the administration of each project funded by the Infrastructure for Economic Development Fund for Coal-Producing Counties and the Infrastructure for Economic Development Fund for Tobacco Counties; require any revenue received from the sale or renewal of Child Victims' Trust Fund license plates in excess of actual costs incurred by the Transportation Cabinet be transferred to the Child Victims' Trust Fund on an annual basis; require any funds or assets recovered by the Attorney General in connection with a lawsuit be paid directly to the Commonwealth and deposited in a distinct trust and agency account for each settlement; allow expenses incurred by the Auditor of Public Accounts for required audits of federal funds be charged to the government or agency that is the subject of the audit; require each agency of the Executive Branch to remit an assessment to the Personnel Board for its operation; exempt from all state and local taxes water withdrawal fees imposed by the Kentucky River Authority; require a school district that receives an allotment for an urgent needs school, and subsequently receives funds for that facility as a result of litigation or insurance, to reimburse the Commonwealth an amount equal to the amount received; establish the Office of Employment Training Building Proceeds Fund and require up to \$3 million of proceeds from the disposal of any state-owned real property by the Office be deposited into the fund; require any revenue derived from the establishment of statewide contracts by the Office of Material and Procurement Services be credited to a trust and agency account and be used to administer the program; require the insurance surcharge rate be calculated at a rate to provide sufficient funds for the Firefighters Foundation Program Fund and the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund; allow the Department for Medicaid Services to impose copayments for services rendered to Medicaid recipients, not to exceed the amount permitted by federal law or waivers; allow the Department for Medicaid Services to utilize premiums and cost-sharing for services rendered to Medicaid and KCHIP recipients not to exceed amounts permitted by federal law or waivers, however KCHIP premiums are suspended for the 2018-2020 biennium; allow the Department of Insurance to waive or assess at any rate between zero and one percent for the 2019 or 2020 plan year on any health benefit plan premiums written by an insurer in the individual market segment; allow the Personnel Cabinet to collect a pro rata assessment from all state agencies, in all three branches of government, and other organizations that are supported by the system and deposit the assessment in a restricted fund account within the Personnel Cabinet; suspend the processing all applications received by the Kentucky Film Office during the biennium and require that the Department of Revenue not process or approve any refund requests from motion picture production companies related to sales and use tax paid during the biennium; require 0.075 percent be withheld from each rate established under KRS 341.270 and 341.272 if

the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund balance exceeds the balance of the trust fund as of December 31, 2017, and deposit those funds in the Service Capacity Upgrade Fund; require insurance premium taxes and retaliatory taxes from any insurer be credited to the General Fund; allow the Personnel Cabinet to collect a benefits assessment per month per employee eligible for health insurance coverage in the state group for administration of the health insurance program; EMERGENCY

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)

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

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

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to provide definitions; specify that body-worn camera recordings are governed by the Kentucky Open Records Act and the retention of body-worn camera recordings is governed by KRS 171.410 to 170.740; provide exceptions as to when a public agency may elect not to disclose body-worn camera recordings; specify procedures for requesting body-worn camera recordings; require that any person or agency that wishes to disclose, publicly display, or duplicate body-worn camera recordings must first give notice to any non-law enforcement agency or person depicted in the recording; create a new cause of action for enumerated persons who are not provided notice of disclosure of the recording; clarify that nothing in this section should be interpreted to override KRS 17.150 or the laws governing discovery in either criminal or civil litigation or in an administrative proceeding.

Feb 14, 2018 - introduced in House

Feb 16, 2018 - to Judiciary (H)

[HB 406 / AA](#) (BR 1687) - [R. Adkins](#), [G. Brown Jr](#), [T. Burch](#), [M. Cantrell](#), [J. Donohue](#), [A. Gentry](#), [D. Graham](#), [C. Harris](#), [J. Jenkins](#), [D. Keene](#), [R. Meyer](#), [R. Nelson](#), [S. Overly](#), [R. Rand](#), [S. Riggs](#), [J. Sims Jr](#), [W. Stone](#), [J. Wayne](#)

AN ACT relating to employer funding for the County Employees Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 61.565 to establish a phase-in of the actuarially required employer contributions to the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) so that by July 1, 2024, the full actuarially required contribution rate is paid; provide that the maximum annual increase in projected

dollars paid shall not exceed 10% of the value from the prior fiscal year through June 30, 2023, provide that rates payable by CERS employers from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2023; shall be based upon the assumptions established in the 2017 actuarial valuation; require the systems' board of trustees to amend employer rates payable on or after July 1, 2018, accordingly; EMERGENCY.

Feb 20, 2018 - introduced in House