# Legislative Report #7 March 1,2020

# **Senate Bills**

## **Senate Bill 5**

Title AN ACT relating to special purpose governmental

entities.

Sponsors R. Alvarado, R. Mills, J. Schickel, D. Thayer

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, 2021.

Summary of Original Version

Actions

• Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

• introduced in Senate

• to State & Local 01/08/20 Government (S)

• taken from State & Local Government (S)

• 1st reading

returned to State & Local Government (S) taken from State & Local Government (S) 2nd reading 01/13/20 returned to State & Local Government (S) reported favorably, to **Rules with Committee** 01/22/20 Substitute (1) posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, January 23, 2020 01/23/20 3rd reading, passed 28-10 with Committee Substitute (1) received in House 01/24/20 to Local Government

(H)

posted in committee

01/28/20

01/31/20

### Senate Bill 14

**Title** AN ACT relating to the taxation of pension income.

Sponsor <u>C. Embry Jr.</u>

Summary of Original Amend KRS 141.019 to increase the pension income exclusion from

**Version** \$31,110 to \$41,110.

#### **Actions**

• Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

• introduced in Senate

• to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

## **Senate Bill 88**

Title AN ACT relating to state-supported universities and community colleges participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

**Sponsor** W. Schroder

Amend KRS 61.522 to permit a state-supported university or community college ceasing participation in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) nonhazardous plan by June 30, 2020, under the provisions of subsection (8) of KRS 61.522 (2019 SS HB 1), to make an election to retain

participation in the retirement plan for only its existing employees who began participating in the systems

Summary of Original Version administered by the Kentucky Retirement Systems prior to

September 1, 2008, (Tier I) and, upon its effective cessation date, cease the participation of its existing employees who began participating on or after September 1, 2008, but prior

to January 1, 2014 (Tier II); vary assumed rate of

return/discount rate used to determine cessation costs from

3% to 4.5% based upon university/college employers' decisions regarding payment type (lump-sum vs.

installments) and based on employee type (Tier I and II) and whether those employees will continue to participate in KERS after June 30, 2020; EMERGENCY.

#### Actions

01/14/20

introduced in Senate

to State & Local

01/16/20

Government

(S)

## **Senate Bill 111**

Title

AN ACT relating to the transportation of police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel killed in the line of duty.

Sponsors P. Wheeler, J. Higdon

Original Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 72 to require the coroner to deliver the remains of police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel, as defined in KRS 61.315, killed in the line of duty to the family or **Summary of** other responsible entities in a casket or other similar vessel covered in an American flag; specify that the county is responsible for any costs associated with obtaining the flag and the casket or similar vessel, but that the county has no obligation to purchase the flag or the casket for the actual burial, cremation, or other disposition of the remains.

#### **Actions**

01/24/20

introduced in Senate

01/30/20

to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

02/13/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and committee amendment (1-title)
02/14/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules
02/18/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 19, 2020
	•	3rd reading, passed 34-0 with Committee Substitute (1) committee amendment (1-title)
02/19/20	•	received in House
02/21/20	•	to Local Government (H)

**02/28/20** posted in committee

## Senate Bill 133

**Title** AN ACT relating to workers compensation for volunteer firemen and other emergency personnel.

**Sponsor** P. Wheeler

# Summary of Original Version

Amend KRS 342.140 to add that income benefits for volunteer firemen, police, and emergency management agency members or trainees may be based on fifty percent (50%) of the state average weekly wage if that is greater than the average weekly wage of their regular employment.

#### **Actions**

**02/03/20** • introduced in Senate

• to Economic Development, Tourism, and Labor (S)

## **Senate Bill 153**

**Title** AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.

Sponsors P. Wheeler, T. Buford, C. Embry Jr., M. Nemes, J. Schickel

# **Original** Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable income tax **Summary of** credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow reporting by Department of Revenue.

#### **Actions**

introduced in Senate 02/06/20

• to Appropriations & Revenue (S) 02/10/20

## Senate Bill 216

Title AN ACT relating to employment of part-time adjunct instructors for the Kentucky Fire Commission.

#### Sponsors M. Nemes, P. Wheeler

## Summary of Original Version

Amends KRS 61.637 to allow a part-time adjunct instructor for the Kentucky Fire Commission, who has not participated in the Kentucky Employees Retirement Systems prior to retirement, but is eligible to retire from the County Employees Retirement System, to retire and draw benefits without being required to resign from his or her position as part-time adjunct instructor for the Kentucky Fire Commission.

#### **Actions**

**02/25/20** • introduced in Senate

• to State & Local Government (S)

## **House Bill 8**

 $\textbf{Title} \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{AN ACT relating to ground ambulance service providers and making an appropriation therefor.} \end{tabular}$ 

R. Rothenburger, M. Hart, L. Bechler, A. Bowling, D. Elliott, D. Frazier, C. Fugate, D. Sponsors Hale, D. Lewis, S. Lewis, C. Massey, K. Moser, P. Pratt, M. Prunty, S. Santoro, S. Sheldon, J. Sims Jr, N. Tate

Original Version

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 205 to define terms; establish the Medicaid ground ambulance service provider assessment; require ground ambulance **Summary of** service providers to pay a Medicaid ambulance service provider assessment quarterly; authorize the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to implement the Medicaid ground ambulance service provider assessment; create the ambulance service assessment revenue fund; APPROPRIATION.

#### Actions

Prefiled by the sponsor(s). 05/09/19

introduced in House

01/07/20 to Health and Family Services (H)

posted in committee 01/13/20

reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar 01/16/20

2nd reading, to Rules 01/17/20

recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H) 01/22/20

posted in committee 01/24/20

02/25/20	•	reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
02/26/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2020
02/27/20	•	3rd reading, passed 91-0 with Committee Substitute (1)
02/28/20	•	received in Senate

**Title** AN ACT relating to tuition benefits and making an appropriation therefor.

	Amend KRS 164.2841, relating to college tuition benefits for spouses and children of specified emergency response personnel and public employees who have died in the course of their duties to specify that the beneficiary is eligible
Summary of Original Version	for up to a maximum of 128 credit hours of undergraduate instruction; amend KRS 164.2842, relating to college tuition benefits for spouses and children of specified emergency response personnel and public employees who have been totally and permanently disabled in the course of their duties to specify that the beneficiary is eligible for up to a maximum of 128 credit hours of undergraduate instruction.

**Summary** Retain original provisions of the bill, but remove maximum credit hour limitation in Section 1; make technical changes in Section 2.

#### **Actions**

06/10/19	<ul> <li>Prefiled by the sponsor(s).</li> </ul>
01/07/20	<ul><li>introduced in House</li><li>to Education (H)</li></ul>
01/13/20	posted in committee
01/17/20	• reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
01/21/20	2nd reading, to Rules

• posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, January 24, 2020

• 3rd reading, passed 88-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

• received in Senate

• to Education (S)

## **House Bill 18**

**Title** AN ACT relating to fire districts.

Sponsor J. Nemes

Summary of Original Version

Amend KRS 75.040 to deem that emergency ambulance service provided by a fire protection district, volunteer fire department district, or subdistrict, is the primary emergency ambulance service within the district or subdistrict in the boundaries of the county containing the largest population within the district boundaries; add a method for boards of trustees to declare that the district or subdistrict is not the primary provider of emergency ambulance service within the district; declare status for secondary providers of emergency ambulance service; require that the additional tax moneys allowed for being a primary provider are no longer allowable; and require local governments providing secondary emergency ambulance service within the district or subdistrict within the boundaries of the county containing the largest population within the district boundaries to credit the amount of taxes paid by taxpayers of the district or subdistrict for emergency ambulance service to the taxes owed to the local government by the taxpayer.

#### Actions

• Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

01/07/20	•	introduced in House to Local Government (H)
01/15/20	•	posted in committee
01/29/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
01/30/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules
02/03/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 4, 2020
02/04/20	•	floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute
02/06/20	•	3rd reading, passed 88-0 with Committee Substitute (1) and floor amendment (1)
02/07/20	•	received in Senate
02/10/20	•	to State & Local Government (S)

 $\textbf{Title} \ \frac{\text{AN ACT relating to the taxation of pension income, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.}$ 

Sponsors	R. Huff, J. Blanton, T. Bojanowski, K. Bratcher, R. Brenda, M. Dossett, D. Hale, K. King, S. Lewis, C. Massey, P. Pratt, S. Riley, W. Thomas
Summary of Original Version	Amend KRS 141.019 to increase the pension income exclusion from \$31,110 to \$41,110; apply retroactively for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018; require the Department of Revenue to automatically issue refunds; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

#### **Actions**

**08/05/19** • Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

• introduced in House

**01/07/20** • to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## **House Bill 83**

**Title** AN ACT relating to elimination of the certificate of need and declaring an emergency.

## **Sponsor** R. Wiederstein

#### **Actions**

**10/31/19** • Prefiled by the sponsor(s).

• introduced in House

**01/07/20** • to Health and Family Services (H)

## **House Bill 89**

**Title** AN ACT relating to dually employed retirement system members.

Sponsors J. Tipton, D. Graham, J. Graviss

Original Version

Amend KRS 61.545 to provide that if a member is working in a regular full-time hazardous duty position that participates in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or the County Employees Retirement System and is simultaneously **Summary of** employed in a nonhazardous position that is not considered regular full-time, the member shall participate solely as a hazardous duty member and shall not participate under the nonhazardous position unless he or she makes an election within 30 days of taking employment in the nonhazardous position; amend KRS 61.680 to conform; specify that provisions shall only apply to prospective nonhazardous employment occurring on or after the effective date of the Act.

Retain original provisions, except to specify that the part-time nonhazardous **Summary** employment must be with a different participating employer and that the provisions shall only apply to initial employment in a part-time nonhazardous position.

#### Actions

11/12/19	•	Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
01/07/20	•	introduced in House to State Government (H)
01/13/20	•	posted in committee
01/16/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
01/17/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules
01/22/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, January 23, 2020
01/23/20	•	3rd reading, passed 93-0 with Committee Substitute (1)
01/24/20	•	received in Senate
01/27/20	•	to State & Local Government (S)

**Title** AN ACT relating to First Responder Recognition Day.

### Sponsors C. Massey, C. Freeland

## Summary of Original Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to designate the first Saturday of October of each year as "First Responder Recognition Day"; require the Governor to proclaim the date each year and require state flags to be lowered on state public buildings from sun-up to sun-down on that day.

#### **Actions**

11/15/19	•	Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
01/07/20	•	introduced in House to State Government (H)
01/13/20	•	posted in committee
02/06/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
02/07/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules
02/10/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 11, 2020
02/12/20	•	3rd reading, passed 95-0
02/13/20	•	received in Senate
02/20/20	•	to State & Local Government (S)

**Title** AN ACT relating to emergency medical service fees and declaring an emergency.

#### Sponsors R. Rothenburger, J. DuPlessis, N. Tate

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 67 to allow a fiscal court to levy a fee on certain units for the provision of emergency medical services; define units subject to fee; require fee to be placed on tax bill; allow collection by sheriff in the same manner as for property taxes; allow sheriff to receive up to 4.25% fee

## Original Version

Summary of for collection; define "residential," "commercial," "charitable," and "educational" units; allow levy on occupied or unoccupied units or both, occupation determined at time of initial levy and July 1 thereafter; require fee increases to be imposed by ordinance; require fees collected to be placed in separate fund, used only for provision of emergency medical services; specify that fees are not to be in lieu of any taxes or fees established for the provision of emergency medical services; EMERGENCY.

#### **Actions**

 Prefiled by the sponsor(s). 11/18/19

introduced in House

01/07/20 • to Local Government (H)

posted in committee 01/15/20

**Title** AN ACT relating to fire protection and making an appropriation therefor.

### Sponsors R. Rothenburger, J. Blanton, A. Bowling, D. Lewis, P. Pratt

Original Version

mergers, to make it applicable to volunteer fire departments merging prior to the effective date of the Act; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to provide that for volunteer fire departments merging after the effective date of the Act, the Fire Commission shall pay to the departments the number of qualified shares of volunteer fire department aid each is entitled to for a period Summary of of 20 years after the date of the merger, upon the expiration of which the merged department shall receive only one share; provide contingency protocols if the merged fire department becomes unqualified; amend KRS 95A.540 to apply contingency protocols of new volunteer fire department for fire departments merging prior to the effective date of the act; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to provide a contingency protocol if a new volunteer fire department is created out of the merged one during the 20 year period; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the volunteer fire department aid to \$15,000 annually from \$11,000 annually.

Amend KRS 95A.520 and 95A.540, relating to volunteer fire department

#### Action

introduced in House 01/07/20

 to Local Government (H) 01/09/20

 posted in committee 01/15/20

**Title** AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Retirement Systems.

Sponsor J. Miller

Summary of Original Version Housekeeping legislation for the Kentucky Retirement Systems;

#### Actions

**01/08/20** • introduced in House

• to State Government (H)

• posted in committee

• reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

• 2nd reading, to Rules

• posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, January 28, 2020

01/29/20 • 3rd reading, passed 91-0

• received in Senate

• to State & Local Government (S)

## **House Bill 212**

**Title** AN ACT relating to the taxation of pension income.

#### Sponsors A. Tackett Laferty, C. Booker, K. Flood, J. Graviss, D. Lewis, B. Wheatley, L. Willner

**Summary of** Amend KRS 141.019, relating to the individual income tax, to increase the **Original Version** pension income exclusion from \$31,110 to \$41,110.

#### **Actions**

01/08/20 • introduced in House

• to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## **House Bill 245**

**Title** AN ACT relating to the taxation of pension income.

Sponsors J. Blanton, R. Brenda, C. Fugate, J. Graviss, D. Lewis

**Summary of** Amend KRS 141.019, relating to the individual income tax, to increase the **Original Version** pension income exclusion from \$31,110 to \$41,110.

#### **Actions**

**01/13/20** • introduced in House

• to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

**Title** AN ACT relating to financial responsibility of motor vehicle operators.

#### Sponsor D. Elliott

Original Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define "expenses of an emergency response," "public agency," and "reasonable costs"; require a driver who drives on a highway that has been barricaded due to flooding be held liable for the costs of rescue or recovery; allow a driver convicted of violating KRS 189.290 for **Summary of** driving on a highway that is flooded to be held liable for the costs of rescue or recovery; limit liability under this section to \$2,000; allow insurance policies to exclude coverage for a person's liability under this section; amend KRS 189.290 and 39F.120 to conform; amend KRS 304.39-020 to exclude charges under Section 1 of the act from the definition of medical expenses; create a new section of 304.39 to allow motor vehicle liability insurance policies to exclude coverage for a person's liability under Section 1 of the Act.

#### Actions

01/14/20

introduced in House

01/16/20

to Judiciary (H)

## **House Bill 262**

Title AN ACT relating to state-supported universities and community colleges participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System and declaring an emergency.

Sponsors M. Hart, S. Maddox, K. Banta

Original Version

Amend KRS 61.522 to permit a state-supported university or community college ceasing participation in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) nonhazardous plan by June 30, 2020, under the provisions of subsection (8) of KRS 61.522 (2019 SS HB 1), to make an election to retain participation in the retirement plan for only its existing employees who began participating in the **Summary of** systems administered by the Kentucky Retirement Systems prior to September 1, 2008, (Tier I) and, upon its effective cessation date, cease the participation of its existing employees who began participating on or after September 1, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier II); vary assumed rate of return/discount rate used to determine cessation costs from 3% to 4.5% based upon university/college employers' decisions regarding payment type (lump-sum vs. installments) and based on employee type (Tier I and II) and whether those employees will continue to participate in KERS after June 30, 2020; EMERGENCY.

#### **Actions**

introduced in House 01/15/20

 to State Government (H) 01/17/20

## **House Bill 271**

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

#### **Sponsor** J. Blanton

Original Version

Amend KRS 16.601 and 61.621 to remove provisions which reduce line of duty or duty-related death benefits upon remarriage; establish non-codified sections to: provide that an eligible surviving spouse who has subsequently remarried Summary of shall have their benefit increased; provide that an eligible surviving spouse of a member whose death was determined by the systems to be a direct result of an act in line of duty or a duty-related injury, but chose to receive monthly death benefits in lieu of line of duty benefits, shall receive line of duty or duty-related death monthly benefits; provide that Kentucky Retirement System shall establish process by which a surviving spouse of a member who died prior to

retirement and prior to April 13, 2018, may apply for the line of duty death benefits; EMERGENCY.

#### **Actions**

#### Top | Amendments

01/16/20	•	introduced in House
01/21/20	•	to State Government (H)
01/28/20	•	posted in committee
01/30/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar floor amendment (1) filed
01/31/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules
02/03/20	•	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 4, 2020
02/05/20	•	3rd reading, passed 91-0 with floor amendment (1)
02/06/20	•	received in Senate
02/10/20	•	to State & Local Government (S)

## **House Bill 305**

 $\textbf{Title} \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{AN ACT relating to consolidated emergency services districts and making an appropriation therefor.} \end{tabular}$ 

Sponsors C. Massey, S. Santoro, R. Rothenburger, B. Wheatley

qualifications of elected members, terms, non-partisan elections, nomination procedures, removal, and district apportionment requirements; establish officers of the district and compensation of officers; provide \$100 per day to appointees, elected members compensated pursuant to KRS 64.527; establish the quorum of the board; establish an advisory committee, number, qualifications of appointees, duties of committee and compensation of members; exceed \$0.30 per \$100 valuation, allow for ballot question for expanded taxation for additional services to be provided, and provide that the additional tax may be either an ad valorem or occupational license tax; allow the board to levy an insurance premium tax or an occupation and license tax;

Create various sections of KRS Chapter 65 to define terms; establish procedures for the creation of a consolidated emergency services district; authorize that certain local government officials shall appoint the board of trustees of the district; provide a formula for determining the number of elected members,

Original Version

**Summary of** declare that upon creation of a district, the board assumes all duties, responsibilities, and liabilities of former departments or districts, former jurisdictions to be special taxing districts until indebtedness is relieved and that all previously entered into interlocal agreements shall remain in force for their duration; set requirements relating to CERS; amend KRS 65.180 to define consolidated emergency services district as a "taxing districts"; amend KRS 68.180 to grant districts in counties over 300,000 the power to levy a license and occupation tax; amend KRS 68.197 to grant districts in counties over 30,000 the power to levy a license and occupation tax; amend KRS 75.020 to include creation of a district within the definition of merger; amend KRS 78.530 to allow for any districts, not all to be excluded from the provisions; amend KRS 91A.080 to include consolidated emergency services districts; amend KRS 95A.500 to allow the district to receive qualified shares of merged fire districts; amend KRS 118.305 to place elected trustees on ballot; amend KRS 118.315 to include nominating petitions for elected trustees; amend KRS 134.119 to provide that the sheriff shall be compensated for collecting taxes for consolidated emergency service districts; APPROPRIATION.

#### **Actions**

introduced in House 01/21/20

to Local Government (H) 01/23/20

posted in committee 01/24/20

**Title** AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.

**Sponsors** 

J. Graviss, M. Hart, R. Goforth, R. Rothenburger, J. Sims Jr, A. Tackett Laferty, B. Wheatley

Original Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a \$1,000 refundable income Summary of tax credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow reporting.

#### Actions

Top

01/24/20

introduced in House

01/28/20

to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## **House Bill 329**

Title AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.

**Sponsor** 

A. Tackett Laferty

**Summary of Original** Version

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable income tax credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow confidential tax return information to be shared with the

Legislative Research Commission.

#### **Actions**

01/27/20

introduced in House

• to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

## House Bill 343

**Title** AN ACT relating to supplemental payments to police officers.

**Sponsor** M. Prunty

**Summary of Original** Amend KRS 15.420 to include members of joint task forces who do not currently receive an annual supplement.

#### **Actions**

01/28/20 • introduced in House

• to Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection (H)

• posted in committee

• posting withdrawn

## **House Bill 352**

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.

Sponsor S. Rudy

The State/Executive Branch Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; appropriate to General Government: 2019-2020: \$21,535,000, 2020-2021: \$1,793,871,500, 2021-2022: \$1,813,688,900; appropriate to the Economic Development Cabinet: 2020-2021: \$33,195,900, 2021-2022: \$36,055,300; appropriate to the Department of Education: 2020-2021: \$5,183,508,800, 2021-2022: \$5,228,565,200; appropriate to the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet: 2020-2021: \$615,595,100, 2021-2022: \$617,246,200; appropriate to the Energy and Environment Cabinet: 2019-2020: \$700,000, 2020-2021: \$272,541,300, 2021-2022: \$253,649,300; appropriate to the Finance and Administration Cabinet: 2019-2020: \$2,800,000, 2020-2021: \$1,000,424,300, 2021-2022: \$972,192,200; appropriate to the Health and Family Services Cabinet: 2020-2021: \$15,007,584,100, 2021-2022: \$15,285,043,300; appropriate to the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet: 2019-2020: \$17,216,900, 2020-2021: \$1,345,687,300, 2021-2022: \$1,369,130,400; appropriate to the Labor Cabinet: **Summary of** 2020-2021: \$202,693,700, 2021-2022: \$204,407,600; appropriate to the

**Original** Version

Personnel Cabinet: 2020-2021: \$64,171,200, 2021-2022: \$64,610,500; appropriate to Postsecondary Education: 2019-2020: \$497,400, 2020-2021: \$8,536,480,700, 2021-2022: \$8,930,169,100; appropriate to the Public Protection Cabinet: 2020-2021: \$129,067,100, 2021-2022: \$129,301,700; appropriate to the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet: 2019-2020: \$2,700,000, 2020-2021: \$275,773,400, 2021-2022: \$281,291,000; appropriate to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund: 2020-2021: \$10,000,000, 2021-2022: \$0; not included in the appropriation amounts are capital project amounts as follows: 2019-2020: \$7,500,000, 2020-2021: \$6,537,358,500, 2021-2022: \$249,695,600; 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.

## House Bill 357

**Title** AN ACT relating to emergency medical services professions reciprocity.

**Sponsors** D. Frazier, S. Rudy

**Original** Version

**Summary of** Amend KRS 311A.142 to require reciprocity of certification or licensure for any member of the United States military who is registered by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians as an emergency medical

responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or paramedic; grant reciprocity to any emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or paramedic that is currently certified or licensed and is in good standing with a state contiguous to Kentucky.

## **Actions**

01/30/20	•	introduced in House
02/03/20	•	to Local Government (H)
02/06/20	•	posted in committee
02/12/20	•	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
02/13/20	•	2nd reading, to Rules posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 14, 2020
02/14/20	•	floor amendment (1) filed
02/18/20	•	3rd reading floor amendment (1) defeated passed 90-2
02/19/20	•	received in Senate
02/21/20	•	to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (S)

## **House Bill 375**

**Title** AN ACT relating to reorganization.

Sponsors M. Hart, J. Tipton

## **Original** Version

Amend KRS 95A.020 to define "chief fire officer"; change the name of the Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education to the Kentucky Fire Commission; attach the commission to the Kentucky Community **Summary of** and Technical College System for administrative purposes; require the commission to have male, female, and minority representation; require that no more than three appointed members reside in the same congressional district; reduce the number of members from 17 to 14; change the qualifications for certain members appointed to the commission by the Governor; amend various sections to conform.

#### **Actions**

introduced in House 02/04/20

to Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection (H) 02/06/20

posted in committee 02/21/20

reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar 02/26/20

2nd reading, to Rules

02/27/20 posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 28, 2020

## **House Bill 427**

**Title** AN ACT relating to special license plates and making an appropriation.

Sponsor K. Upchurch

**Summary of** Amend KRS 186.162, regarding special license plates, to reiterate that the **Original** county clerk's fee charged is the standard clerk's fee for vehicle registration; Version establish extra fees for the firefighters special license plate to benefit the

Kentucky Volunteer Firefighters Association; establish extra fee for the Masonic special license plate to benefit the Masonic Homes of Kentucky; set fees for special license plates established under KRS 186.164; eliminate the requirement for a special license plate for motorcycle to have 300 signatures; amend KRS 186.040 to conform; APPROPRIATION

#### Actions

**02/13/20** • introduced in House

• to Transportation (H)

• posted in committee

• reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

• 2nd reading, to Rules

• posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 27, 2020

02/27/20 • 3rd reading, passed 90-0

• received in Senate

## **House Bill 436**

**Title** AN ACT relating to mental health and making an appropriation therefor.

#### Sponsor K. Banta

## Summary of Original Version

Amend KRS 210.365 to make firefighters eligible for crisis intervention team training along with law enforcement officers currently permitted such training; amend KRS 95A.220 with an appropriation of \$1,250,000 each fiscal year for treatment of full-time and volunteer firefighters affected by post-traumatic stress injury (PTSI) and/or post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD); allow no PTSD eligibility for disability retirement; declare legitimate personnel actions not

compensable, diagnosis required by psychiatrist, psychologist or counselor; APPROPRIATION.

#### **Actions**

**02/18/20** • introduced in House

• to Veterans, Military Affairs, and Public Protection (H)

## **House Bill 439**

**Title** AN ACT relating to certificate of need for ambulance service providers.

**Sponsors** R. Rothenburger, J. Blanton

**Summary of**Original
Version

Amend KRS 216B.020 to require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards for a certificate of need for ambulance service providers.

#### **Actions**

**02/18/20** • introduced in House

• to Health and Family Services (H)

Title AN ACT relating to policemen's and firefighters' retirement funds of the urban-county governments.

Sponsors S. Lee, R. Palumbo, J. Blanton, G. Brown Jr, K. Flood, J. Graviss, P. Pratt, C. Stevenson

Amend KRS 67A.440 to delete the provision that a surviving spouse's retirement benefit shall end upon remarriage; amend KRS 67A.450 to provide that for members of policemen's and firefighters' retirement funds of urban-county governments who would have been eligible for voluntary retirement at the time of their death, which is not in the line of duty, an annuity death benefit shall not be provided to the surviving spouse and provide that a deceased member otherwise eligible for a voluntary service retirement is presumed to have retired on the date of death calculated with credit for accumulated sick leave credit; amend KRS 67A.462 to prevent a member on disability retirement from holding a sworn position as an elected, paid, or volunteer peace officer, firefighter, paramedic, or other position of public safety/hazardous duty, and permit the board of trustees to make reasonable investigations, including hearings, to ensure compliance with disability provisions; amend KRS 67A.492 to provide a surviving minor child or children annuity in addition to the retirement benefits for surviving spouses and, based on factors including whether the surviving spouse is eligible for benefits and the number of minor children, set the benefits at between 50% and 75% of a member's final annuity, final rate of pay, or service retirement, whichever is greater, and allow benefit to extend to adult children between 18 and 23 enrolled in full-time educational activities; amend KRS 67A.530 to provide that retired fund members voting for representatives to the board of trustees shall vote for nominees of the department, police or fire, from which the member retired; amend KRS 67A.560 ensuring statutory and regulatory compliance with the Internal Revenue Code, applicable federal regulations, and published guidance; amend KRS 67A.660 to require the board to fix the time for a rehearing at the board's next scheduled meeting after the filing of the application.

Summary of Original Version

**Actions** 

02/24/20 • introduced in House

• to Local Government (H)

• posted in committee

## **House Bill 513**

**Title** AN ACT relating to firefighters and making an appropriation therefor.

Sponsor M. Hart

Summary of Original Version

Amend KRS 95A.210 to allow firefighters employed by air boards created under KRS Chapter 183 to participate in the Firefighters Foundation Program fund.

#### **Actions**

**02/27/20** • introduced in House