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Kentucky Public Pensions Authority

2024 DAILY LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE DAY: 60- *Sine Die*

DATE: April 15, 2024

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SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. [Senate Resolution 309](#) [J. Adams](#)

Confirm the appointment of Mary G. Eaves to the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems for a term expiring June 21, 2027.

04/15/24 **introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)
to Senate Floor
posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, April 15, 2024
adopted 38-0**

2. [Senate Resolution 310](#) [J. Adams](#)

Confirm the reappointment of Caswell Prewitt Lane to the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems for a term expiring June 17, 2027.

04/15/24 **introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)
to Senate Floor
posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, April 15, 2024
adopted 38-0**

3. [Senate Resolution 313](#) [J. Adams](#)

Confirm the reappointment of Pamela Fettig Thompson to the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems for a term expiring June 17, 2027.

**04/15/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)
to Senate Floor
posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, April 15, 2024
adopted 38-0**

4. [Senate Bill 2](#) [M. Wise](#), [M. Deneen](#), [D. Douglas](#), [G. Elkins](#), [R. Mills](#), [L. Tichenor](#)

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define terms; establish a framework for employment of Kentucky guardians in schools; specify qualifications of a guardian; specify that a local board of education may not be held liable for a guardian acting within his or her scope of duty; specify that guardians shall have the immunities of police officers; amend KRS 158.442 to require the Center for School Safety to implement a system to certify guardians to school districts and administer and oversee the school mapping program; amend KRS 158.441 to specify required certifications in the definition of "school resource officer"; amend 158.4414 to allow school districts to hire a guardian until a certified school resource officer is available as required; allow a district with a school resource officer to hire guardians to provide additional school safety and security measures; amend KRS 158.4416 to define terms; make conforming changes; require the trauma-informed team to compile their activities to be used in the creation of the comprehensive school improvement plan and submit the information to the Department of Education (KDE); require KDE to annually summarize and submit the information to the state board and the Legislative Research Commission; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require the department to gather and compile data, coordinate training, and monitor the numbers and types of mental health professionals in schools; amend KRS 158.443 to conform; amend KRS 158.4451 to require the Office of Homeland Security to maintain and update the anonymous reporting tool; specify that each school district shall make available an anonymous reporting tool; provide for an alternative anonymous reporting tool; amend KRS 156.095 to require schools to provide suicide prevention awareness twice a year and an opportunity for any student who missed the suicide prevention awareness lesson to receive the lesson at a later time; make conforming changes; amend KRS 158.162 to allow secondary locking mechanisms in schools; require school councils or principals to include school mapping data, if available, in their emergency plans; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to create the School Mapping Data Program administered by the Center for School Safety; outline requirements of school mapping data; amend KRS 158.4412 to require the local school district's safety coordinator to maintain a current copy of school mapping data; **amend KRS 61.637 to 78.5540 to conform.**

[Senate Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions; require additional training courses for a guardian; define "direct services" and indirect services; specify that at least 60% of a school counselor's time should be spent providing direct services.

[Senate Floor Amendment 1](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 158.4414 to require each public school building to post signs at least six inches high by 14 inches wide in prominent locations stating, "This school is protected by an armed and trained School Resource Officer"; require the word "armed" to be emphasized.

[Senate Floor Amendment 2](#) Specify that no offense under KRS 510.148 is allowable for employment as a guardian.

[Senate Floor Amendment 3](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 158.4414 to require as funds are available each public school building to post signs at least six inches high by 14 inches wide in prominent locations stating "This school is protected by armed and trained individuals authorized to guard against threats against the school or people therein"; require the word "armed" to be emphasized.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions; require a veteran to provide a form DD 214; require local boards of education to adopt specified policies relating to guardians; amend KRS 158.442 to authorize the Center for School Safety to employ an individual to provide oversight of the guardian program; amend KRS 156.501 to remove existing cost-sharing provisions for the registered nurse required to be employed by the Kentucky Department of Education.

[House Committee Amendment 1](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 158.4416 to define pastoral counselor and include pastoral counselor on the trauma informed team.

[House Floor Amendment 1](#) Retain original provisions and amend KRS 158.191 to ensure parental rights and involvement by requiring notification within two business days of specific events; require a district to adopt procedures that both encourage students to speak with parents and require facilitation of the discussion with parents; forbid a district or school from adopting policies that keep any student information confidential from parents or refuse information requested by a parent with specific exceptions; forbid a district from requiring school personnel or students to use nonconforming pronouns for any individual instead of just students; establish the type of mental health services that the section does not prohibit a district from seeking for students; amend KRS 158.1415 to prohibit a child in any grade level from receiving instruction on a specific topic a parent has provided written notice to the school asserting an objection due to religious or moral beliefs; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to establish a cause of action for violations; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to prohibit a disciplinary action or adverse employment action for an employee informing a parent of specific information about a student

or declining to use a pronoun or title inconsistent with the individual's biological sex; amend KRS 158.193 to establish that a school employee may participate in voluntary, student-initiated, student-led prayer when invited to do so; EMERGENCY.

[House Floor Amendment 2](#) Make title amendment.

[House Floor Amendment 3](#) Retain original provisions except remove the requirement that the Office of Homeland Security maintain and update the anonymous reporting tool and remove the requirement that every school district shall provide an anonymous reporting tool.

[House Floor Amendment 4](#) Retain original provisions; specify that it is not the intent of the General Assembly to replace school resource officers with Kentucky guardians; allow for veterans discharged within the preceding 15 years to employment at a guardian; require guardians carry personal liability insurance.

02/22/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/26/24 to Education (S)

02/29/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute

03/01/24 2nd reading, to Rules
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 05, 2024

03/04/24 floor amendment (2) filed to Committee Substitute
floor amendment (3) filed to Committee Substitute

03/05/24 3rd reading
floor amendment withdrawn Floor Amendments (1) and (3)
passed 28-10 with Committee Substitute (1) and Floor Amendment (2)

03/06/24 received in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

03/07/24 to Education (H)

03/13/24 floor amendments (1) and (2-title) filed

03/26/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) and
Committee Amendment (1)
floor amendments (3) and (4) filed to Committee Substitute

03/27/24 2nd reading, to Rules

03/28/24 placed in the Orders of the Day
3rd reading, passed 70-27 with Committee Substitute (1)
received in Senate
to Rules (H)
posted for passage for concurrence in House Committee Substitute (1)
Senate concurred in House Committee Substitute (1)

passed 28-7 with Committee Substitute (1)

enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
 enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
 delivered to Governor

04/09/24 filed without Governor's signature with the Secretary of State

04/10/24 became law without Governor's Signature

5. [Senate Bill 57](#) [J. Higdon](#)

01/25/24: WITHDRAWN

6. [Senate Bill 165](#) [A. Southworth](#)

Amend various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to remove requirements for using a Social Security number as an identifier.

02/02/24 introduced in Senate
 to Committee on Committees (S)

02/07/24 to Judiciary (S)

7. [Senate Bill 175](#) [R. Webb](#), [D. Carroll](#)

Amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to define "special needs trust" (SNT) for purposes of the State Police Retirement System, Kentucky Employees Retirement System, and County Employees Retirement System; amend the definition of "person" to include a SNT, and amend the definition of "beneficiary" to exclude sole beneficiary of a SNT; amend KRS 16.578 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement benefit; amend KRS 61.623 to allow a trustee to receive checks on behalf of a SNT; amend KRS 61.635 to allow a person who is the beneficiary of a SNT to be designated as the beneficiary of a lifetime retirement benefit; require the trustee of a SNT to notify the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority (KPPA) upon the death of the beneficiary of a SNT and repay any payment not properly payable to the SNT; allow KPPA to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the SNT provisions; amend KRS 61.640 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement payment if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 78.5532 to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime retirement benefit if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 161.525, relating to the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) to allow a SNT to receive a lifetime annuity if a member dies before retirement; amend KRS 161.640 to allow checks to be sent by mail to the trustee of a SNT; require the trustee to notify the TRS upon the death of the beneficiary; require any payments not properly payable to the SNT to be repaid to TRS; allow TRS

to promulgate administrative regulations to administer the SNT provisions; amend KRS 161.700 to require TRS to assign annuity payments to a SNT, issue payments to the trustee, and prevent annuity payments from being used to reimburse any state for any Medicaid benefits paid on behalf of the beneficiary of a SNT; amend KRS 21.420 , relating to the Judicial Retirement Plan, to allow for a SNT to be selected as a beneficiary, and define "special needs trust"; amend KRS 21.425 to allow a member to designate a SNT to receive lifetime survivorship benefits on behalf of a surviving spouse, dependent child, or disabled child.

02/05/24 introduced in Senate
 to Committee on Committees (S)
 02/07/24 to State & Local Government (S)

8. [Senate Bill 196](#) [C. McDaniel](#)

Create a new section of KRS 78.510 to 78.852 to create an elective alternative benefit program that employers participating in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) may adopt for employees in hazardous positions with a membership date after January 1, 2014, in the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits); provide that, if an employer participating in CERS makes a one-time election to provide an alternative benefit program, those eligible employees in hazardous positions may elect, in lieu of Tier 3 benefits, to participate in the alternative benefit program within one year of attaining or otherwise having 10 or more years in a hazardous position; provide that employees opting into the alternative benefit program who meet the requirements of a career hazardous employee receive Tier 3 benefits up to entering the alternative benefit program and an annual lifetime retirement benefit calculated as 2.25% of final compensation for each year of service in the alternative benefit program for participation between 20 and 25 years or 2.5% of final compensation for each year of service in the alternative benefit program for participation for 25 years or more; require that the annual actuarial valuation conducted by the CERS board include an assessment of the funding levels, unfunded liability, and actuarially required employer contribution rates for the alternative benefit program and require the CERS board to make adjustments to the alternative benefit program if it falls below 90% funded or if the employer contribution rate for the program is projected to exceed 16% of pay; require employers opting into the alternative benefit program to pay any additional actuarial costs to fund the program without any funding from employers who do not participate in the alternative benefit program; limit the alternative benefit program to Tier 3 members in CERS; provide that the General Assembly may alter the alternative program benefits, define terms for purposes of the alternative benefit program; amend KRS 78.5516 to provide that eligible employees who elect to participate in the alternative benefit program shall not contribute or be considered as contributing to the hybrid cash balance plan or receive employer pay credits, but shall receive interest credits based on their accumulated account balance in the hybrid cash balance plan; amend KRS 78.635 to require CERS employers participating in the alternative

benefit program to pay an additional employer contribution to fund the program; amend KRS 78.510, 78.640, and 78.784 to conform; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

02/12/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

03/22/24 to State & Local Government (S)

9. [Senate Bill 261](#) [M. Nemes](#)

Amend KRS 18A.225 to exclude from the definition of "employee" any employer that ceases participation in the state employee health insurance plan from participating in the plan in the future; require minimal participation duration for all benefits administered by the Personnel Cabinet pursuant to KRS 18A.205 to 18A.2287; require health insurance coverage for state employees to provide minimum value that pays over 60 percent of the total cost of in-network medical services, provide minimal essential coverage as defined in 26 U.S.C. sec. 5000A(f), and not discriminate in favor of highly compensated individuals as prohibited by 26 U.S.C. sec. 105(h); require any carrier bidding to offer health care coverage to employees to rate all employees as a single entity; require any premium due for vision coverage, if in excess of a premium amount contributed by an employer to be paid by the employee; delete references to regional contracts for state employee health insurance; specify that no provision of KRS Chapter 304, the insurance code, shall apply to the public employee health insurance program for public employees unless otherwise authorized; amend KRS 18A.2254 to add health savings accounts as a waiver funding option and provide that the type of account available for waiver funding each year shall be at the discretion of the Personnel Cabinet; permit the Personnel Cabinet to make available the quarterly report of the status of the health insurance trust fund to either the Governor, the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, or the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board, upon request; amend KRS 18A.226 to expand the membership of the Kentucky Group Health Insurance Board; require the board, upon request, to submit an annual report to the Governor, the General Assembly, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; repeal 18A.2255, relating to the Advisory Committee of State Health Insurance Subscribers.

02/23/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/26/24 to Banking & Insurance (S)

03/12/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

03/13/24 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill

posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 14, 2024

03/14/24 3rd reading, passed 37-1

03/15/24 received in House

to Committee on Committees (H)

03/22/24 to State Government (H)
 taken from State Government (H)
 1st reading
 returned to State Government (H)
 03/25/24 taken from State Government (H)
 2nd reading
 returned to State Government (H)
 03/26/24 reported favorably, to Rules
 03/27/24 taken from Rules
 placed in the Orders of the Day

10. [Senate Bill 290](#) [C. McDaniel](#)

Amend KRS 18A.050 to require a member of the Personnel Board to vacate his or her position or have the board terminate his or her position if he or she separates from the classified service; amend KRS 18A.110 to allow the secretary of the Personnel Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations to implement scholarship programs, internship programs, education programs, educational assistance programs for employees, and interview preferences for applicants who complete an executive branch internship program; allow the secretary of the Personnel Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations for the classified service governing layoffs, furloughs, and reduction of hours to include, but not be limited to reemployment of laid-off employees; amend KRS 18A.115 to permit members and employees of boards and commissions exempt from the classified service to employ staff subject to the provisions of KRS 18A.005 to 18A.200; exempt juvenile facility managers from the classified service; amend KRS 18A.125 to require all agencies and employees for which the Personnel Cabinet administers payroll to comply with the secretary's payroll administration; prohibit an executive branch agency for which the cabinet administers payroll from authorizing work performance outside of the Commonwealth without approval from the secretary; allow an agency to request the secretary deduct certain items from an employee's final paycheck so long as the deduction is expressly authorized in writing and does not reduce the employee's pay below the federal minimum wage; amend 18A.005, 18A.035, 18A.0751, 18A.095, 18A.100, 18A.113, 18A.355, 132.370, and 163.032 to conform and make technical corrections.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions, except reduce the number of classified employees to the Personnel Board; amend KRS 18A.050 to increase the number of appointments by the Governor to the Personnel Board; amend KRS 18A.0551 to require a classified employee wishing to participate in a Personnel Board election to cast a ballot for only one candidate; provide that the candidate with the most votes be appointed to the board immediately upon notification that he or she was declared the winner; amend KRS 18A.080 to

conform; amend KRS 18A.115 to exempt from the classified service persons employed in positions that require a license to practice law in Kentucky.

02/26/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/28/24 to State & Local Government (S)

03/06/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

03/07/24 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill
posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, March 08, 2024

03/08/24 3rd reading, passed 36-0-1

03/11/24 received in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

03/22/24 taken from Committee on Committees (H)
1st reading
returned to Committee on Committees (H)
to State Government (H)

03/25/24 taken from State Government (H)
2nd reading
returned to State Government (H)

03/26/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)

03/27/24 taken from Rules
placed in the Orders of the Day

11. [Senate Bill 325](#) [D. Thayer](#), [D. Douglas](#), [R. Stivers](#)

Amend KRS 18A.035 to add gender-neutral language.

02/27/24 introduced in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/29/24 to State & Local Government (S)
taken from State & Local Government (S)
1st reading
returned to State & Local Government (S)

03/01/24 taken from State & Local Government (S)
2nd reading
returned to State & Local Government (S)

12. [Senate Bill 350](#) [D. Thayer](#)

Amend KRS 6.190 to provide for annual salaries for members of the General Assembly; provide for annual supplements for members appointed as chair; require each member of the General Assembly to be paid on the first and fifteenth day of each month; direct that salaries and supplements be indexed to the consumer price index; amend KRS 6.211 to require expense allowances to be determined by the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 6.213 to grant each member of the House of Representatives a monthly expense allowance of \$2,000; grant each member of the Senate a monthly expense allowance of \$2,500; require the Legislative Research Commission adopt procedures to allow for adjustments in the monthly expense allowance; amend KRS 6.220 to require the stationery allowance for members of the General Assembly to be determined by the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 6.225 to allow reimbursement for travel expenses for the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives if engaged in their duties when the General Assembly is not in session; amend KRS 7.090 to require travel and expense guidelines to be set by the Legislative Research Commission; amend KRS 7.110 to allow members of the General Assembly receive the same travel allowance for attending interim meetings as they would during a regular or special session; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2025.

02/28/24 introduced in Senate
 to Committee on Committees (S)
 03/01/24 to State & Local Government (S)

13. [Senate Bill 374](#) [D. Yates](#)

Amend KRS 16.052 to increase salaries of employees of the Department of Kentucky State Police.

02/28/24 introduced in Senate
 to Committee on Committees (S)
 03/01/24 to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

14. [Senate Bill 381](#) [A. Southworth](#)

Amend KRS 18A.110 directing the Personnel Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations requiring new employee compensation after the probationary period to not exceed or equal to an incumbent employee salary in the same job classification, work county, and department or office without adjustment of incumbent employee salaries in the same position job class; Evaluate and calculate salary adjustment of incumbent employees in the same job classification series; amend KRS 18A.140 to remove prohibition of classified employee to participate as a

member of local political party committee or member of a partisan political club, or candidate for nomination or election to any paid partisan public office, and amend definition to prohibit participation in management of any political party in political campaigns to statewide constitutional offices; amend KRS 18A.355 to change the state employee annual increment to two percent.

02/28/24 introduced in Senate
 to Committee on Committees (S)
 03/01/24 to State & Local Government (S)

HOUSE BILLS:

BUDGET RESERVE TRUST FUND ACCOUNT APPROPRIATIONS

1. [House Bill 1](#) [J. Petrie](#), [S. Rudy](#), [A. Bowling](#), [J. Bray](#), [R. Bridges](#), [M. Meredith](#)

Appropriate General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 to the following: Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure grants; Department for Local Government to provide matching funds under the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation Program; Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to be applied to the unfunded liability of the State Police Retirement Systems and the Kentucky Employees Retirement System Nonhazardous pension funds; Teachers' Retirement System to be applied to the unfunded actuarially accrued liability; Cabinet for Economic Development to support the KEDFA loan pool and development projects; Department of Kentucky State Police for lab equipment; Transportation Cabinet to improve public riverports, to implement the Short Line Infrastructure Preservation and Industrial Access and Safety Improvement pilot projects, and support grants to each General Aviation airport; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain, delete, and add to original provisions; appropriate General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 to the following: Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure grants; Department for Local Government to provide matching funds under the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation Program; Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to be applied to the unfunded liability of the State Police Retirement Systems and the Kentucky Employees Retirement System Nonhazardous pension funds; Teachers' Retirement System to be applied to the unfunded actuarially accrued liability; Cabinet for Economic Development to support mega-development projects, the KEDFA loan pool, and other development projects; Department of Kentucky State Police for lab equipment; Transportation Cabinet to improve public riverports, to implement the Short Line Infrastructure

Preservation and Industrial Access and Safety Improvement pilot projects, and support grants to each General Aviation airport; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

[House Floor Amendment 1](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in each fiscal year of the 2024-2026 fiscal biennium to support an additional one-time payment for state government retirees in each fiscal year; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 2](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in each fiscal year of the 2024-2026 fiscal biennium to support two supplemental payments that total the amount of one thirteenth check for state government retirees in each fiscal year; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 3](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal year 2024-2025 to support the Kentucky Proud School Match Pilot Program; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 4](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in each fiscal year of the 2024-2026 fiscal biennium to support two supplemental payments that total the amount of one thirteenth check for state government retirees in each fiscal year; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 5](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal year 2024-2025 to support a one-time retention bonus to Kentucky State Police KRS Chapter 16 employees; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 6](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund to support a one-time payment to all classified and certified staff equivalent to 11 percent of their salary; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 7](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 141.0205 to order a new tax credit; create a new section of KRS 141 to establish the 2024 toll relief tax credit.

[Senate Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions and add General Fund appropriations from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account to the following: Department for Local Government for various projects/programs, Kentucky Public Pension Authority for various payments, Economic Development for various projects/programs, Community Based Services for various projects/programs, Criminal Justice Training for a program in the City of Madisonville, Council on Postsecondary Education and various universities for projects/programs, Horse Park Commission for facility upgrades, and Transportation Cabinet for various projects/programs; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

[Conference Committee Report 1](#) Do not agree.

[Free Conference Committee Report 1](#) Retain, delete, and add to original provisions; appropriate General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 to various state agencies for miscellaneous projects and programs; appropriate Restricted Funds from the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund to Criminal Justice Training and State Police for various projects and purchases; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

[Governor's Veto Message](#) Veto.

01/16/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

01/22/24 floor amendment (1) filed
to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

01/29/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H)
1st reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

01/30/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H)
2nd reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)
floor amendment (2) filed

01/31/24 floor amendment (3) filed

02/01/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
taken from Rules
placed in the Orders of the Day
**3rd reading, passed 96-0 with Committee Substitute (1)
floor amendments (4), (5), (6) and (7) filed to Committee Substitute**

02/02/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/06/24 to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/07/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (S)
1st reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/08/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (S)
2nd reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/13/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 13, 2024
3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

received in House
 to Rules (H)
 03/14/24 posted for passage for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute (1)
 03/15/24 House refused to concur in Senate Committee Substitute (1)
 received in Senate
 to Rules (S)
 posted for passage for receding from Senate Committee Substitute (1)
 Senate refused to recede from Committee Substitute (1)
 Conference Committee appointed in Senate
 Conference Committee appointed in House
 03/28/24 Conference Committee report filed in House
 Free Conference Committee report filed in House
 Conference Committee report filed in House and Senate
 Conference Committee report adopted in House and Senate
 Free Conference Committee appointed in House and Senate
 Free Conference Committee report filed in House and Senate
 posted for passage for consideration of Free Conference Committee Report (1)
 Free Conference Committee report adopted in Senate
 passed 35-1 with Free Conference Committee Report (1)
 received in House
 to Rules (H)
 placed in the Orders of the Day
 taken from Rules
 Conference Committee report adopted in House
 Free Conference Committee report adopted in House
 passed 77-19 with Free Conference Committee Report (1)
 enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
 enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
 delivered to Governor
 04/09/24 **2 line items vetoed**
 04/12/24 received in House
 to Rules (H)
 taken from Rules
 posted for passage for consideration of Governor's veto
veto overridden
passed 79-18
 received in Senate
 to Rules (S)
 posted for passage for consideration of Governor's veto
veto overridden
passed 29-6

received in House
 enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
 enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Secretary of State

STATE/EXECUTIVE BRANCH BUDGET- GENERAL ASSEMBLY VERSION

2. [House Bill 6](#) [J. Petrie](#), [A. Bowling](#), [D. Bentley](#), [J. Bray](#), [S. Rudy](#)

The State/Executive Branch Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; 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; APPROPRIATION.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) The State/Executive Branch Budget: Retain, delete, and add to original provisions; detail Part I, Operating Budget; 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; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 1](#) Remove reporting requirements; APPROPRIATIONS.

[House Floor Amendment 2](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys to fund an increase in SEEK transportation, 11 percent raises for certified and classified staff, and professional learning and development from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 3](#) Eliminate the limits on necessary government expenses for disasters, the National Guard, forest fire suppression, and higher inmate population.

[House Floor Amendment 4](#) Remove language for necessary government expense limits; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 5](#) Provide sufficient funds to support secondary area technology center renovation projects from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 6](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys for the expansion of reentry services and addiction services from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 7](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 8](#) Provide sufficient General Fund and Bond Funds moneys to construct a juvenile facility in Floyd County from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 9](#) Insert provision to authorize the release of capital construction funds for the Department of Parks; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 10](#) Provide sufficient General Fund and Bond Funds moneys to construct a juvenile facility in Pike County from the appropriation to the Budget Reserve Trust Fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 11](#) Authorize the transfer of funds from the Sports Wagering Program to be applied to the unfunded pension liability of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System Nonhazardous pension fund; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 12](#) Provide sufficient General Fund moneys from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund Account in fiscal year 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 to support two supplemental payments that total the amount of one thirteenth check for state government retirees in each fiscal year of the 2024-2026 fiscal biennium; APPROPRIATION.

[House Floor Amendment 13](#) Provide sufficient funds for a grant program for volunteer fire departments by transferring the necessary funds from the Department of Insurance to the Department for Local Government; APPROPRIATION.

[Senate Committee Substitute 1](#) The State/Executive Branch Budget: Retain, delete, and add to original provisions; detail Part I, Operating Budget; 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; APPROPRIATION.

[Conference Committee Report 1](#) Do not agree.

[Free Conference Committee Report 1](#) The State/Executive Branch Budget: Retain, delete, and add to original provisions; detail Part I, Operating Budget; 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; APPROPRIATION.

[Governor's Veto Message](#) Veto.

01/16/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

01/22/24 to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

01/29/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H)
1st reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

01/30/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (H)
2nd reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

02/01/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
taken from Rules
placed in the Orders of the Day
**3rd reading, passed 77-19 with Committee Substitute (1)
floor amendments (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12) and (13)
filed to Committee Substitute**

02/02/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/06/24 to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/07/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (S)
1st reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/08/24 taken from Appropriations & Revenue (S)
2nd reading
returned to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

03/13/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 13, 2024
3rd reading, passed 37-1 with Committee Substitute (1)
received in House
to Rules (H)

03/14/24 posted for passage for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute (1)

03/15/24 House refused to concur in Senate Committee Substitute (1)
received in Senate
to Rules (S)
posted for passage for receding from Senate Committee Substitute (1)
Senate refused to recede from Committee Substitute (1)
Conference Committee appointed in House and Senate

03/27/24 Conference Committee report filed in House and Senate
Conference Committee report adopted in House and Senate
Free Conference Committee appointed in House and Senate
Free Conference Committee report filed in House and Senate
posted for passage for consideration of Free Conference Committee Report (1)
Free Conference Committee report adopted in Senate
passed 36-1
received in House
to Rules (H)

03/28/24 taken from Rules
placed in the Orders of the Day
Free Conference Committee report adopted in House
passed 72-26 with Free Conference Committee Report (1)
enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Governor

04/09/24 **23 line items vetoed**

04/12/24 received in House
to Rules (H)
taken from Rules
posted for passage for consideration of Governor's veto
veto of line items relating to Coal Mine Reclamation Sites on pages 82-84 sustained
veto of all other line items overridden
passed 72-27
received in Senate
to Rules (S)
posted for passage for consideration of Governor's veto
veto of line items relating to Coal Mine Reclamation Sites on pages 82-84 sustained
veto of all other line items overridden
passed 31-6
received in House
enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House

enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Secretary of State

3. [House Bill 20](#) [R. Palumbo](#), [C. Aull](#), [T. Bojanowski](#), [G. Brown Jr.](#), [E. Callaway](#), [B. Chester-Burton](#), [A. Gentry](#), [W. Lawrence](#), [J. Raymond](#), [R. Roarx](#), [S. Stalker](#), [C. Stevenson](#)

Appropriate \$227 million, \$17 million, and \$17 million in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority to fund a one-time two percent cost-of-living adjustment effective July 1, 2024, for Kentucky Employees Retirement System nonhazardous and hazardous duty recipients, and for State Police Retirement System recipients, respectively; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

01/02/24 introduced in House
 to Committee on Committees (H)

KPPA HOUSEKEEPING BILL

4. [House Bill 99](#) [DJ Johnson](#)

Amend various sections of KRS Chapters 16, 61, and 78 to make technical and housekeeping changes relating to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority's (KPPA) administration of the systems governed by the Kentucky Retirement Systems (KRS) and the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) boards of trustees, including: amend KRS 61.505 to rename the position of internal auditor to chief auditor and conform with prior legislation; amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to make various changes and additions to definitions; repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 16.652, 61.546, and 61.692 in response to a Kentucky Supreme Court decision and make technical changes; amend KRS 61.525 and 78.540 to remove outdated language and comply with federal law regarding membership in the retirement plan; amend KRS 61.552 to require Tier 3 members to remit employee contributions before receiving military service credit; amend KRS 61.569 to provide process for repayment of employee contributions after a member's employment is reinstated by order of a court or tribunal; amend KRS 61.615 to permit KPPA to employ vocational experts to review and evaluate employment information in disability review cases and remove review of physical exertion requirement when disability is due solely to a mental illness; amend KRS 61.625 regarding procedures for members who receive a refund in error or who have taken a refund and subsequently have their reemployment reinstated; amend KRS 61.637 and 78.5540 to conform to the process for repayment of employee contributions after a member's employment is reinstated by order of a court or tribunal; amend KRS 61.645 and 78.782 to permit voting by telephone in trustee elections and extend deadline for posting board minutes from 72 hours to 3 business days; amend KRS 61.665 to change the process for the review of disability applications to permit one medical examiner to review initial applications

and approve a member for disability with no additional reviews required, but if disability is denied, implement up to two more examiners to achieve majority consensus for approval or disapproval of disability; amend KRS 61.705 and 78.5538 to provide that the death benefit of \$5,000 is payable to a beneficiary of the member, not the member, and is not subject to garnishment, unless the beneficiary is the member's estate or there is an overpayment of benefits or outstanding balance owed to the system; amend KRS 61.685, 61.702, 78.530, 78.5528, 78.5536, 78.640, and 78.852 to make conforming and technical changes.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 61.546 to make a technical change.

01/03/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

01/09/24 to Local Government (H)

01/26/24 reassigned to State Government (H)

02/01/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

02/02/24 2nd reading, to Rules
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, February 05, 2024

02/05/24 3rd reading, passed 94-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

02/06/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

03/15/24 to State & Local Government (S)

03/26/24 taken from State & Local Government (S)
1st reading
returned to State & Local Government (S)

03/27/24 reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill

03/28/24 posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 28, 2024
3rd reading, passed 38-0
received in House
enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Governor

04/04/24 signed by Governor

STATE/EXECUTIVE BRANCH BUDGET BILL- GOVERNOR'S VERSION

5. [House Bill 114](#) [D. Graham](#), [C. Stevenson](#), [C. Aull](#), [T. Bojanowski](#), [G. Brown Jr.](#), [A. Camuel](#), [B. Chester-Burton](#), [A. Gentry](#), [D. Grossberg](#), [K. Herron](#), [R. Palumbo](#), [R. Roarx](#), [R. Roberts](#), [S. Stalker](#), [P. Stevenson](#), [A. Tackett Laferty](#)

The Governor's recommended State/Executive Branch Budget: Detail Part I, Operating Budget; 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; APPROPRIATION.

01/03/24 introduced in House
 to Committee on Committees (H)

6. [House Bill 143](#) [R. Roberts](#), [C. Stevenson](#), [K. Banta](#), [T. Bojanowski](#), [A. Gentry](#), [N. Kulkarni](#), [W. Lawrence](#), [J. Raymond](#), [S. Stalker](#)

Create a new section of KRS 16.505 to 16.652 to change the retirement benefits for members participating in the State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or in a hazardous position in either the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) or County Employees Retirement System (CERS) who are hired after January 1, 2014, but before January 1, 2025, so that, in lieu of continued participation in the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits), these members receive the benefits provided to members in a hazardous position who began participating immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits); for those eligible hazardous employees, create a presumption that service credit in a hazardous position earned after January 1, 2014, is service credit earned immediately prior to January 1, 2014; for eligible hazardous members transitioning to Tier 2, require that accumulated contributions in the hybrid cash balance plan remain in the member's account, but any employer credit be transferred to the retirement allowance account; allow a member in a hazardous position subject to a change from Tier 3 to Tier 2 benefits to make a one-time election to opt out of the change of benefits within 30 days; establish exclusions; amend KRS 16.576, 16.577, 16.578, 16.582, 61.546, 51.552, 61.597, 61.615, 78.5512, 78.5514, 78.5524, 78.5528, and 78.616 to grant to members in a hazardous position who begin participating after January 1, 2025, or whose participation is presumed under Section 1 to begin immediately prior to January 1, 2014, the same benefits provided to members whose participation began immediately prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 2 benefits), including death and disability benefits, benefit factors and service credit that includes service credit for unused sick leave, and eligibility for early retirement and service purchases; make technical corrections; amend KRS 16.583 and 78.5516 to limit the hybrid cash balance plan (Tier 3 benefits) only to members participating in SPRS or in hazardous positions in KERS or CERS who make an election to opt out of Tier 2 benefits

under Section or who make an election, prior to the effective date of the Act, under KRS 61.5955; amend KRS 61.5955 to provide that only a member in a nonhazardous position who began participating in KERS or CERS as a Tier 2 member may elect to receive Tier 3 benefits in the hybrid cash balance plan in lieu of Tier 2 benefits; amend KRS 16.505, 61.510, and 78.510 to amend definitions of various terms to conform and make technical changes; amend KRS 16.560, 61.575, and 78.640 to allow interest credited on the accounts of members participating in SPRS or in a hazardous position in KERS or CERS to be adjusted to conform; amend KRS 61.592 and 78.5520 to exempt only hazardous members who opt out of receiving Tier 2 benefits from eligibility for an employer payment to convert nonhazardous service to hazardous service; amend KRS 61.680 to require that a member who is eligible under Section 1 and who has nonhazardous service credit as a Tier 3 member of either KERS or CERS to have his or her nonhazardous and hazardous service consolidated to determine eligibility and benefits; amend KRS 78.545 to add Section 1 as one of the provisions that shall be administered for the CERS in the same manner as for the KERS.

01/04/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

7. [House Bill 164](#) [S. Witten](#), [D. Osborne](#), [J. Bauman](#), [E. Callaway](#), [D. Lewis](#), [R. Palumbo](#), [R. Roarx](#), [W. Williams](#)

Amend KRS 16.601, 61.621, and 78.5534 to increase minimum line of duty death benefits to a non-spouse beneficiary of a Kentucky Employees Retirement System, County Employees Retirement System, or State Police Retirement System member who was working in an approved hazardous duty position or in a position that could be approved as hazardous duty for retirement purposes; specify the minimum payment to the non-spouse beneficiary shall only be payable if there is no surviving spouse beneficiary and shall be a minimum of a lump-sum payment equal to 36 months of the member's monthly rate of pay; provide that the non-spouse beneficiary may elect the minimum lump-sum payment or any other benefits the non-spouse beneficiary is eligible to receive upon the member's death, but not both.

01/05/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

02/07/24 to State Government (H)

02/15/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

02/16/24 2nd reading, to Rules

02/20/24 posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 21, 2024

02/21/24 3rd reading, passed 95-0

02/22/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

02/26/24 to State & Local Government (S)

8. [House Bill 216](#) [D. Graham](#), [C. Stevenson](#), [T. Bojanowski](#), [G. Brown Jr.](#), [L. Burke](#), [D. Grossberg](#), [N. Kulkarni](#), [R. Roberts](#), [S. Stalker](#), [L. Willner](#)

Appropriate \$95 million from the budget reserve trust fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to fund one-time supplemental payments on July 1, 2024, to recipients of a retirement allowance from the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) and the State Police Retirement System (SPRS); specify that the one-time supplemental payment shall be equal to the monthly payment received by the recipient in the month of June 2024; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

01/09/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

9. [House Bill 277](#) [J. Nemes](#)

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 31 to transfer employees of the Louisville and Jefferson County Public Defender Corporation (Louisville Metro Public Defender) to the Department of Public Advocacy (DPA) on July 1, 2024, and to provide employment and retirement benefits to the transferred employees based on their employment date with the Louisville Metro Public Defender; define "membership date" for Louisville Metro Public Defender employees transferring to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS); create past service purchase exceptions for transferred employees participating in a state-administered retirement system prior to January 1, 2014, or employed by the Louisville Metro Public Defender prior to January 1, 2014 (Tier 1 and Tier 2 only); create a one-year window between July 1, 2024, and July 1, 2025, for transferred employees (Tier 1 and Tier 2) to purchase service with the Louisville Metro Public Defender without the requirement to be vested in KERS; require past years of service purchased by transferred employees to be used to determine eligibility for and the amount of retirement benefits, including disability and early retirement, and health benefits under KRS 61.702 or 78.5536, except the health insurance benefits for this service purchase will be subject to funding of the actuarial cost of the benefit in the executive branch budget; transfer leases and contracts in the name of the Louisville Metro Public Defender to DPA, and waive liability of DPA under any legal theory or for any act, omission, or negligence by or on behalf of the Louisville Metro Public Defender; amend KRS 15A.020 to add new divisions to the organization of DPA; amend KRS 18A.115 to transfer the employees of the Louisville Metro Public Defender to the state personnel system; amend KRS 61.510 to change the definition of "membership date" in KERS as applied to Louisville Metro Public Defender employees transferring to DPA; amend KRS 61.552 allow DPA to pay a portion of the cost for the purchase of service with the Louisville Public Defender by transferred employees (Tier 1 or Tier 2) who purchase the service credit before July 1, 2025, subject to funding in the executive branch budget, and make conforming changes; amend KRS 61.557 to conform; provide that the Act will be RETROACTIVE to employees of the Louisville

Metro Public Defender hired to leadership or supervisory roles within DPA between October 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024; EMERGENCY.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions, except remove changes that would require years of service with the Louisville Public Defender to be used to determine eligibility for retirement benefits and for health benefits under KRS 61.702 or 78.5536, and that would provide that the cost of health insurance benefits for past service be subject to funding in the executive branch KRS 61.552 changes regarding past service purchases.

01/16/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

02/06/24 to State Government (H)

02/08/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

02/09/24 2nd reading, to Rules
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, February 12, 2024

02/23/24 taken from the Orders of the Day
recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

02/27/24 reported favorably, to Rules with Committee Substitute (1)
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 28, 2024

02/28/24 3rd reading, passed 98-0 with Committee Substitute (1)

02/29/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

03/04/24 to Judiciary (S)

03/14/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar

03/15/24 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill

03/25/24 posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 26, 2024

03/26/24 passed over and retained in the Consent Orders of the Day

03/27/24 passed over and retained in the Consent Orders of the Day

03/28/24 3rd reading, passed 38-0
received in House
enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Governor

04/09/24 signed by Governor

10. [House Bill 292](#) [DJ Johnson](#)

Amend KRS 61.505 to establish the Office of Financial Management and the Office of Benefits within the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority; amend KRS 12.020 to conform.

01/17/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

11. [House Bill 349](#) [E. Callaway](#), [J. Blanton](#), [J. Calloway](#), [D. Hale](#), [R. Roarx](#), [S. Sharp](#), [W. Thomas](#)

Amend KRS 61.702 and 78.5536 to provide full hospital and medical insurance benefits for a member, their spouse, and their dependents if the member becomes disabled in the line of duty with a hazardous disability; EMERGENCY.

01/23/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)
02/07/24 to State Government (H)
02/22/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
02/23/24 2nd reading, to Rules
03/27/24 taken from the Orders of the Day
recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

12. [House Bill 354](#) [DJ Johnson](#)

Amend KRS 61.637 and 78.5540 to require the Department of Education to pay to the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority (KPPA) the health insurance premium reimbursements required for retirees who participated in a hazardous position prior to July 1, 2003, and are reemployed by a local school board; amend KRS 161.158 to provide that local school board employees who are retirees who participated in a hazardous position prior to July 1, 2003, shall have the cost of their retiree health insurance reimbursed to KPPA.

[Senate Floor Amendment 1](#) Make title amendment.

[Senate Floor Amendment 2](#) Retain original provisions; amend KRS 161.155 to allow school district employees to use sick leave for observance of religious holidays not otherwise included on the school's calendar provided the employee submits a personal statement verifying the observance and gives advance notice to the district.

01/23/24 introduced in House

	to Committee on Committees (H)
02/20/24	to State Government (H)
02/22/24	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
02/23/24	2nd reading, to Rules
02/27/24	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 28, 2024
02/28/24	3rd reading, passed 98-0
02/29/24	received in Senate
	to Committee on Committees (S)
03/15/24	to State & Local Government (S)
03/28/24	taken from State & Local Government (S)
	1st reading
	returned to State & Local Government (S)
04/12/24	reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill
	floor amendments (1-title) and (2) filed
04/15/24	posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, April 15, 2024
	3rd reading
	floor amendment (2) withdrawn
	floor amendment (1-title) ruled out of order
	passed 37-0
	received in House
	enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
	enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
	delivered to Governor

13. [House Bill 501](#) [M. Dossett](#)

Amend various sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to require Senate confirmation in accordance with KRS 11.160 for all appointments or reappointments made by the Governor to boards, commissions, committees, and councils.

02/09/24	introduced in House
	to Committee on Committees (H)

14. [House Bill 542](#) [R. Roarx, J. Raymond](#)

Amend KRS 78.5520 to redefine "hazardous position" to include solid waste management services enforcement officers employed by a consolidated local government for the purpose of determining benefits of the County Employees Retirement System.

02/14/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

15. [House Bill 587](#) [C. Stevenson](#), [A. Camuel](#), [C. Aull](#), [T. Bojanowski](#), [G. Brown Jr.](#), [L. Burke](#), [B. Chester-Burton](#), [D. Graham](#), [D. Grossberg](#), [J. Raymond](#), [R. Roarx](#), [R. Roberts](#), [S. Stalker](#), [A. Tackett Laferty](#)

Amend KRS 18A.225, **78.510**, 156.095, 158.038, 158.189, 158.196, 158.305, 158.4416, 160.152, 161.164, 161.220, and 218B.045 to remove references to public charter schools; repeal KRS 160.1590, 160.1591, 160.15911, 160.1592, 160.1593, 160.1594, 160.1595, 160.1596, 160.1597, 160.1598, 160.1599, and 161.141 relating to public charter schools.

02/20/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

16. [House Bill 631](#) [D. Graham](#)

Amend KRS 61.530 to make language gender-neutral.

02/21/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

17. [House Bill 632](#) [D. Graham](#)

Amend KRS 18A.035 to add gender-neutral language.

02/21/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

18. [House Bill 635](#) [D. Meade](#), [K. Moser](#)

Amend KRS 6.350 to require an actuary performing an actuarial analysis to clearly note and describe a new assumption or method and the basis for selecting the assumption or method, including any documentation, studies, written opinions, calculations, or citations in support; require the actuary certify that the information provided in the analysis is accurate; amend KRS 6.948 to require the commissioner of the Department of Insurance to include in a fiscal impact

statement any documentation, studies, written opinions, calculations, and citations in support of his or her findings and conclusions and include in the statement an estimate of any potential future cost savings, including an explanation why the bill would or would not provide future cost savings; require the commissioner to certify that the information provided in the fiscal impact statement is accurate; amend KRS 6.949 to require the commissioner of the Department of Corrections to include in a corrections impact statement any documentation, studies, written opinions, calculations, and citations in support of the department's findings and conclusions, an estimate of any potential future cost savings, if not already included in a statement, and certification by the commissioner that the information provided in the statement is accurate.

02/21/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

02/23/24 to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

03/05/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar

03/06/24 2nd reading, to Rules
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 07, 2024

03/07/24 3rd reading, passed 95-0

03/08/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

03/11/24 to State & Local Government (S)

03/26/24 taken from State & Local Government (S)
1st reading
returned to State & Local Government (S)

03/27/24 reported favorably, 2nd reading, to Rules as a consent bill

03/28/24 posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 28, 2024
3rd reading, passed 38-0
received in House
enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House
enrolled, signed by President of the Senate
delivered to Governor

04/04/24 signed by Governor

19. [House Bill 641](#) [D. Osborne](#)

Amend KRS 18A.035 to add gender-neutral language.

02/22/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

20. [House Bill 661](#) [J. Blanton](#), [D. Graham](#)

Amend KRS 61.598 to exempt from the pension spiking provisions any increases in rates of pay authorized or funded by the legislative or administrative body of an employer or mandated in a collective bargaining agreement approved by the legislative body of the employer that are provided to members of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the County Employees Retirement System, or the State Police Retirement System.

02/22/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)
03/06/24 to State Government (H)
03/07/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
03/08/24 2nd reading, to Rules
posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Monday, March 11, 2024
03/12/24 3rd reading, passed 95-0
03/13/24 received in Senate
to Committee on Committees (S)

21. [House Bill 694](#) [C. Fugate](#), [S. Lewis](#), [S. Baker](#), [K. Banta](#), [J. Bauman](#), [D. Bentley](#), [J. Blanton](#), [K. Bratcher](#), [S. Bratcher](#), [J. Calloway](#), [M. Clines](#), [J. Decker](#), [S. Doan](#), [R. Dotson](#), [R. Duvall](#), [D. Elliott](#), [D. Fister](#), [P. Flannery](#), [D. Frazier](#), [Gordon](#), [C. Freeland](#), [D. Hale](#), [M. Hart](#), [T. Huff](#), [M. Imes](#), [K. Jackson](#), [J. Justice](#), [K. King](#), [W. Lawrence](#), [D. Lewis](#), [C. Massaroni](#), [B. McCool](#), [S. McPherson](#), [M. Meredith](#), [K. Moser](#), [M. Pollock](#), [P. Pratt](#), [S. Rawlings](#), [S. Riley](#), [S. Sharp](#), [T. Smith](#), [A. Tackett](#), [Laferty](#), [N. Tate](#), [W. Thomas](#), [K. Timoney](#), [J. Tipton](#), [T. Truett](#), [B. Wesley](#), [R. White](#), [W. Williams](#), [N. Wilson](#), [S. Witten](#)

Direct local school districts to provide a one-time payment of \$2,000 to certified employees, excluding superintendents, in each year of the 2024-2026 biennium, and a one-time payment of \$1,000 to classified employees in each year of the 2024-2026 biennium; appropriate \$153 million from the Budget Reserve Trust Fund in each year of the 2024-2026 biennium to the Department of Education to provide the payments; APPROPRIATION.

02/23/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

22. [House Bill 710](#) [K. Fleming](#)

Amend KRS 61.542 to make a technical change.

02/26/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

23. [House Bill 738](#) [R. Roarx](#)

Amend KRS 78.5520 to redefine "hazardous position" to include code enforcement and zoning inspection personnel employed by a consolidated local government for the purposes of benefits of the County Employees Retirement System.

02/26/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

24. [House Bill 742](#) [S. Sharp](#)

Amend KRS 61.650, relating to fiduciary duties owed to the Kentucky Retirement Systems, to make a technical correction.

[House Committee Substitute 1](#) Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 21.450, 61.650, 78.790, and 161.430 relating to the fiduciary duties owed to the state-administered retirement systems to define "shareholder-sponsored proposal" and "economic analysis"; require a proxy adviser under contract with a state-administered retirement system to conduct and document an economic analysis prior to voting on or recommending a vote on a shareholder-sponsored proposal that is inconsistent with the recommendation of the board of directors of the issuer of shares in order to demonstrate that a vote against management's recommendation is solely in the interest of the retirement plan members and beneficiaries; make technical corrections.

02/26/24 introduced in House
to Committee on Committees (H)

03/15/24 to Banking & Insurance (H)

03/27/24 reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)

03/28/24 2nd reading, to Rules