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HB1

APPROPRIATIONS FOR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (PETRIE, J) AN ACT relating to government agencies, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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. 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.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (H) PLACED IN THE ORDERS OF THE DAY; for Concurrence or Nonconcurrence in SCS 1

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB1.html>

HB6

EXECUTIVE BRANCH BUDGET (PETRIE, J) AN ACT relating to appropriations measures providing funding and establishing conditions for the operations, maintenance, support,

and functioning of the government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its various officers, cabinets, departments, boards, commissions, institutions, subdivisions, agencies, and other state-supported activities.

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

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (H) PLACED IN THE ORDERS OF THE DAY; for Concurrence or Nonconcurrence in SCS 1

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB6.html>

HB14

AMEND SECTION 181 OF CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S AUTHORITY OVER LOCAL REVENUE OPTIONS (DIXON, J) AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 181 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the General Assembly's authority over local revenue options.

Propose to amend Section 181 of the Constitution of Kentucky to permit the General Assembly to authorize a county, city, town, or municipal corporation to assess and collect local taxes and fees that are not otherwise in conflict with the Constitution; provide ballot question with proposed amendment; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Current Status: 3/12/2024 - (H) Returned to Committee House Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB14.html>

HB18

RIGHTS OF PROPERTY OWNERS (DOTSON, R) AN ACT relating to the rights of property owners and declaring an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 65 to prohibit local governments from adopting or enforcing ordinances that prohibit owners of housing accommodations from refusing to lease or rent the housing accommodation to a person when the person's source of income to pay rent includes funding from a federal housing assistance program; prohibit local governments from requiring an owner of property occupied by an individual other than the owner to pay an emergency response fee that arises out of the actions of another over

which the owner has no control; EMERGENCY. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to prohibit local governments from adopting or enforcing any ordinance relating to landlord or tenant laws that is in conflict with state law.

Current Status: 3/6/2024 - Delivered To Secretary Of State

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB18.html>

HB23 **SMOKE ALARMS** (PRATT, P) AN ACT relating to smoke alarms.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 227 to require a working smoke detector be present in any residence sold; direct seller to attest to the presence and functioning of the required smoke detector in signed affidavit given to buyer at closing. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except apply requirements only to existing residential structures; add specific liability exemption for real estate licensees.

Current Status: 2/21/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB23.html>

HB34 **UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES** (DOAN, S) AN ACT relating to universal recognition of occupational licenses.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 335B to allow universal recognition of occupational licenses and government certifications; include work experience as a basis for licensure or certification; explicitly include military personnel and their spouses; provide that the Act may be cited as the Universal Recognition of Occupational Licenses Act.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB34.html>

HB37 **RECORDING OF INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY** (KING, K) AN ACT relating to the recording of interests in real property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 382 to define "greenhouse gas emissions reduction agreement"; require that a greenhouse gas emissions reduction agreement be properly recorded pursuant to the requirements of KRS 382.110 for it to be binding on subsequent purchasers or creditors.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB37.html>

HB45 **PRIVACY PROTECTION** (HODGSON, J) AN ACT relating to privacy protection.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 189 to define terms related to automated license plate readers; establish limitations on use and sale of data captured by automated license plate readers; create a new section of KRS Chapter 183 to define terms and establish limitations on the use of an unmanned aircraft system; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish a cause of action for the unauthorized use of an unmanned aircraft system; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a statute of limitations for an action filed for the unauthorized use of an unmanned aircraft system; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms and establish limitations on "deep fakes"; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to establish a statute of limitations for an action filed for the unlawful dissemination of a deep fake; create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to define terms and establish limitations on the introduction of identification devices on or within the human body; create a new section of KRS Chapter 413 to

establish a statute of limitations for an action filed for introduction of an identification device; create a new section of KRS Chapter 519 to establish a criminal penalty for illegally disseminating a deep fake; amend KRS 508.152, relating to the unlawful use of tracking devices, to include the installation of a tracking device on the person or property of another without their consent and exempt parental tracking of minors from the prohibition. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except provide that captured license plate data may be retained longer than 30 days if it is being used in a criminal or insurance investigation or has become subject to a preservation of evidence notification; provide that any recorded images or data captured by an ALPR may be made available to the National Insurance Crime Bureau or its successor organization; provide that the use of an unmanned aircraft system is not prohibited in the case of recreational or professional use if there is not intent to conduct surveillance on private property and there is no unauthorized use or publication of images of individuals or areas of private property, or in the case of an insurance company for purposes of underwriting a risk or investigating damage; amend the definition of "depicted individual" to remove the language that an individual is identifiable from information displayed in connection with the deep fake; provide that person means a natural person; provide that an unmanned aircraft system may be used by an insurance company or person acting on behalf of an insurance company for purposes of underwriting or investigating damage; change the criteria for being guilty of disseminating a deep fake; exclude from liability a deep fake made for purposes of entertainment; provide that this does not apply to radio or television broadcasting stations paid to broadcast material containing the deep fakes or if they clearly disclose the material is a deep fake; provide that this does not apply to published material that routinely carries news provided it clearly discloses the material is a deep fake.

Current Status: 3/7/2024 - (S) reassigned to committee Senate Transportation (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB45.html>

HB50

ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES (RAWLINGS, S) AN ACT relating to the administration of estates and creating an emergency.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 391 to establish the Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act to codify provisions for the creation, administration, modification, termination, and validity of transfer on death deeds; define terms; specify that a transfer on death deed is revocable and shall be nontestamentary; establish requirements for a transfer on death deed and specify the process of recording a transfer on death deed; specify that a transfer on death deed is effective without notice to or acceptance by the beneficiary during the transferor's lifetime; establish provisions for the revocation of a transfer on death deed by instrument or act; enumerate the effect of a transfer on death deed during transferor's life; allow a beneficiary to disclaim all or part of the beneficiary's interests; specify the impact of transfer on death deed on claims when an estate is insufficient; provide the form for creating a transfer on death deed; provide the form for revocation of a transfer on death deed; require that in applying and construing the uniform language consideration be given to the need to promote uniformity; conform to federal requirements related to electronic signatures and records; specify that the uniform act shall not affect any method of transferring property otherwise permitted; provide that Sections 1 to 13 of this Act may be cited as the Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act; amend KRS 64.012 to provide the recording fee for a transfer on death deed or revocation; amend KRS 381.280, 382.110, 382.135, 391.360, 392.020, 392.070, and 403.190 to conform; create a new section of KRS Chapter 186A to define terms; establish requirements for a transfer of a vehicle's title to a named beneficiary upon the death of the owner; direct the Transportation Cabinet to develop a form for transfer; amend KRS 395.445 to allow the court to order that administration of certain minors be dispensed with

and the assets transferred to the surviving parents of that minor; create a new section of KRS Chapter 140 to limit inheritance taxes to deaths occurring prior to July 1, 2024; repeal KRS 140.130 and 140.140 relating to the levy and payment of the Kentucky estate tax; EMERGENCY.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - (H) recommitted to committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB50.html>

HB55 LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITY TAX (FLEMING, K) AN ACT relating to the limited liability entity tax.

Amend KRS 141.0401 to sunset the limited liability entity tax for taxable years beginning on January 1, 2025; amend KRS 141.0205 to sunset tax credits afforded by the limited liability entity tax for taxable years beginning on January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB55.html>

HB58 ECONOMIC FISCAL MATTERS (FLEMING, K) AN ACT relating to economic fiscal matters.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 7A to establish the Tax Expenditure and Economic Development Incentive Review Board and specify the board's membership, authority, powers and duties; establish requirements for board meetings; establish requirements for when the General Assembly enacts new tax expenditures or economic development incentives; require agencies to assign taxpayers a unique number for purposes of reporting tax expenditures and economic development incentives; amend KRS 11.068 to require the annual production of a detailed estimate of the revenue loss resulting from each tax expenditure and economic development incentive from the general fund and road fund; amend KRS 131.020 to require the Department of Revenue to collect, report, and provide data to the Tax Expenditure and Economic Development Incentive Review Board; amend KRS 131.190 to allow the Department of Revenue to provide confidential data to the Tax Expenditure and Economic Development Incentive Review Board.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - House Economic Development & Workforce Investment (H), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB58.html>

HB59 AMEND SECTION 170 OF KENTUCKY CONSTITUTION RELATING TO TAXATION (MASSARONI, C) AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to provide the General Assembly the authority to exempt all or a portion of any class of property from taxation or eliminate all or a portion of any tax and the related provisions of that tax; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB59.html>

HB61 PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION (DOTSON, R) AN ACT relating to the property tax homestead exemption.

Amend KRS 132.810 to remove the requirement that the homestead exemption be

construed to mean \$6,500 in terms of the purchasing power of the dollar in 1972 and the cost-of-living indexing requirement; require the amount of the homestead exemption to be 50% of the first \$250,000 in assessed value for qualifying real property; EFFECTIVE only upon the ratification by voters of an amendment to Section 170 of the Kentucky Constitution.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB61.html>

HB62

AMEND SECTION 170 OF KENTUCKY CONSTITUTION RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION (DOTSON, R) AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to remove the \$6,500 homestead exemption amount for property taxation and provide the General Assembly the authority to set the amount of the homestead exemption; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB62.html>

HB71

ACTIONS FOR FORCIBLE ENTRY AND DETAINER (KULKARNI, N) AN ACT relating to actions for forcible entry and detainer.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to provide automatic expungement of records in actions for forcible entry and detainer; amend KRS 383.250 to provide for sealing of records.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB71.html>

HB75

ABANDONED PROPERTY (KULKARNI, N) AN ACT relating to abandoned property.

Amend KRS 383.020 to specify duties of landlord with respect to abandoned personal property.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB75.html>

HB76

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF LANDLORDS AND TENANTS (KULKARNI, N) AN ACT relating to rights and obligations of landlords and tenants to a residential lease.

Repeal and reenact various sections of KRS Chapter 383 to update the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to conform; amend KRS 383.715 to conform; repeal KRS 383.300, 303.302, 383.500, 383.505, 383.515, 383.525, 383.540, 383.580, 383.620, and 383.665.

Current Status: 1/2/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB76.html>

HB88

UNLAWFUL TRADE PRACTICES (MEREDITH, M) AN ACT relating to unlawful trade practices and declaring an emergency.

Repeal, reenact, and amend KRS 286.2-685 as a new section of Subtitle 3 of KRS Chapter 286 to make technical amendments; remove prohibition against use of financial institution names in certain marketing and solicitations; establish a civil penalty for violation of

section; establish a new section of KRS Chapter 367 to prohibit the use of financial institution names in the marketing and solicitations of persons who are not financial institutions in certain circumstances; make violation of section an unfair, false, misleading, or deceptive trade practice in violation of KRS 367.170; authorize enforcement by the Attorney General and any trade organization representing one or more financial institution industries; establish remedies for violation of section; establish a new section of KRS Chapter 367 to regulate certain real estate service agreements; make recording of certain real estate service agreements a crime and provide penalties for violation of recording prohibition; make violation of section an unfair, false, misleading, or deceptive trade practice in violation of KRS 367.170; authorize enforcement of section by Attorney General; authorize Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations; amend KRS 324.160 to establish that violation of section regulating real estate service contracts by real estate licensees is improper conduct; provide that the provisions of the Act are severable; RETROACTIVE, in part; EMERGENCY. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend the definition of "person"; provide attorney's fees and costs and a statutory penalty for a violation of Section 2 of this Act; direct that the Attorney General, any Commonwealth's attorney, or county attorney may enforce Class B misdemeanor penalty under Section 3 of this Act; make technical corrections. House Floor Amendment (1) Amend definition of "financial institution" in Section 2 of this Act; provide that a financial institution may provide consent to marketing material, solicitation, or advertising in written or electronic format; amend definition of "service provider" in Section 3 of this Act.

Current Status: 2/28/2024 - (S) SECOND READING, to Rules

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB88.html>

HB102 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES (DOAN, S) AN ACT relating to housing opportunities.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 100, relating to local planning and zoning, to require local governments to prioritize housing within applicable zones by easing minimum square footage requirements and aesthetic design requirements; facilitating the location of multifamily housing, accessory dwelling units, tiny homes, and manufactured housing; facilitating the permitting and variance process; easing minimum parking requirements, and standards for home occupations; and requiring that zoning laws have a substantial connection to protection of public safety, health, and usage of property; provide legal remedies; set conditions for the construction of the Act; amend KRS 141.435 and 141.437 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Housing Opportunities Made Easier Act or the HOME Act; repeal KRS 100.348, relating to standards for manufactured homes.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Local Government (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB102.html>

HB109 SWIMMING POOLS (JACKSON, K) AN ACT relating to swimming pools and declaring an emergency.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 211 to define terms; require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to establish a system to designate swimming pools into classifications; establish lifeguard requirements for Class A and Class B pools; require the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations; EMERGENCY. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except redefine "Class A" and "Class B" pools and establish lifeguard requirements for Class A and Class B pools; allow swimming coaches or instructors providing instruction to count as a lifeguard; allow Class A and Class B pools to submit an alternative lifeguard staffing plan; require that all Class A and Class B pools be

equipped with an emergency shut-off switch that is accessible to lifeguards and other pool staff.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (S) FIRST READING to Consent

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB109.html>

HB111

AMEND SECTION 170 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION (HUFF, T) AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to include in the homestead exemption for owners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of the real property that is assessed after the later of the year the owner turned 65 or the year the owner purchased the property; apply the exemption to increases in valuation that occur after the date the amendment is ratified by the voters; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Current Status: 1/3/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB111.html>

HB112

VALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY (HUFF, T) AN ACT relating to the valuation of real property for tax purposes.

Amend KRS 132.810 to require the assessed value of property qualifying for the homestead exemption with an owner who is 65 years of age or older be assessed at a value that is equal to or less than the value of the property in the year the owner turns 65 or the year the owner purchased the property, whichever occurs later; apply to property assessed on or after January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 3/5/2024 - floor amendment (1) filed

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB112.html>

HB114

EXECUTIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS (GRAHAM, D) AN ACT relating to appropriations measures providing funding and establishing conditions for the operations, maintenance, support, and functioning of the government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its various officers, cabinets, departments, boards, commissions, institutions, subdivisions, agencies, and other state-supported activities.

The 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.

Current Status: 1/3/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB114.html>

HB117

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS (KULKARNI, N) AN ACT relating to professions and occupations.

Amend KRS 335B.010 to define terms related to licensing and public employment qualifications; amend KRS 335B.020 to narrow the class of offenses to which the chapter applies, to add consideration of the age of the person at the time the crime was

committed, the evidence relevant to the circumstances of the crime, and evidence of rehabilitation in making licensure decisions; create a new section of KRS Chapter 335B to prohibit disqualifying individuals from pursuing a professional license solely due to conviction that has been sealed or expunged, convictions older than five years unless the conviction falls under an exception, or a finding that the applicant lacks good character; amend KRS 335B.030 to require a hiring or licensing authority that denies an individual a professional license due to a prior conviction of a crime to notify the individual in writing of the specific offense that is the basis of the denial, the reasons the offense was determined to directly relate to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation and posed a reasonable threat to public safety, and that the applicant has a right to submit additional information within 30 days which the licensing authority is required to consider; create new sections of KRS 335B to allow a person with a prior conviction of a crime to request an initial determination regarding whether a prior conviction of crime would disqualify the individual from licensure and require that this initial determination is binding on the hiring or licensing authority; require each hiring or licensing authority to publish information on its website pertaining to applicants with a prior conviction of a crime; require each hiring or licensing authority that is authorized to consider the criminal conviction of an applicant to provide an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission; amend various sections of KRS Chapters 309, 317A, and 327 to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 1/3/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB117.html>

HB120

LIMITED LIABILITY ENTITY TAX (FLANNERY, P) AN ACT relating to the limited liability entity tax.

Amend KRS 141.0401 to prevent entities doing business in Kentucky with gross receipts of less than \$100,000 from paying the limited liability entity tax for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB120.html>

HB122

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE (FLANNERY, P) AN ACT relating to the Department of Revenue.

Amend KRS 131.010 to define "administrative writings"; amend KRS 131.020 to require the department to publish administrative writings within 120 days of the issuance or finalization; amend KRS 131.030, 131.081, 131.130, and 131.190 to conform. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 131.010 to define "tax form"; amend KRS 131.020, 131.030, 131.130, and 131.131 to require the publishing of tax forms and instructions to those forms by the department on its official website; amend KRS 131.190 to make a technical correction.

Current Status: 3/12/2024 - House Appropriations & Revenue (H), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB122.html>

HB124

EMPLOYMENT (CALLAWAY, E) AN ACT relating to employment.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 335B.010 to 335B.070 to require hiring and licensing authorities to establish an application process that gives persons convicted of a crime an opportunity to apply for a position of public employment or occupational license before pursuing training; amend KRS 335.020 to add criteria for hiring and licensing authorities to

consider when determining if a conviction directly relates to the position of public employment or occupational license sought; amend KRS 335B.030 to require hiring or licensing authorities to request information and allow an applicant a hearing before making a determination of hiring for a position of public employment or granting an occupational license, and provide written findings of fact to the applicant upon determination. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except exclude cities, counties, urban-county governments, charter county governments, consolidated local governments, unified local governments, or any political subdivisions to most requirements of the bill; add a statement of legislative intent. House Floor Amendment (1) Retain original provisions, except include cities, counties, urban-county governments, charter county governments, consolidated local governments, unified local governments, or any political subdivisions of these entities to comply with amended KRS 335.020 which adds criteria for hiring and licensing authorities to consider when determining if a conviction directly relates to the position of public employment sought or the occupation for which the license is sought; restore KRS 335B.030 to original language, except amend to exclude the provision making a conviction for a Class A or B felony, or a felony that would qualify the individual as a registrant pursuant to KRS 17.500, as a rebuttable presumption that a connection exists between a prior conviction and the license being sought; amend the time period for requesting a hearing to ten working days; exclude any branch of state government from the requirements of KRS 335B.030.

Current Status: 3/7/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB124.html>

HB147

PROPERTY TAX RATE LEVIES (FLEMING, K) AN ACT relating to local property tax rate levies.

Amend KRS 132.017 to define "next regular election" as it pertains to placing on the ballot the question on whether a local property tax rate shall be levied to specify that the election may occur in the same or a subsequent calendar year as the levy; require the question to the voters to be framed to ask whether the voter is for the levy of the property tax rate; make technical corrections.

Current Status: 3/8/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB147.html>

HB172

EMINENT DOMAIN (DOAN, S) AN ACT relating to eminent domain.

Amend KRS 416.580 and 416.660 to require property owners who are required to relocate as result of a condemnation to be compensated for discount points necessary to maintain interest rate.

Current Status: 1/5/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB172.html>

HB181

TERMINATION OF RESIDENTIAL LEASES (WILLNER, L) AN ACT relating to termination of residential leases.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to permit a tenant to terminate a lease or rental agreement if he or she is seeking relocation due to a recent mental or physical health emergency; require the tenant to pay any rent due prorated to the effective date of termination; relieve the tenant from liability for any other rent or fees resulting from the termination.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB181.html>

HB222

TAX INCENTIVES FOR FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS (TIMONEY, K) AN ACT relating to tax incentives for first-time home buyers.

Create a new section in KRS Chapter 141 to define terms; establish a tax deduction for contributions made to an eligible savings account by a first-time home buyer and allow an exclusion from income for any interest earned from an eligible savings account of a first-time home buyer effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, but before January 1, 2035; require the Department of Revenue to report to the Legislative Research Commission and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue; amend KRS 141.019 and 131.190 to conform.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB222.html>

HB256

PROMOTION OF STRONGER HOMES (POLLOCK, M) AN ACT relating to the promotion of stronger homes to resist losses due to catastrophic weather events and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of Subtitle 2 of KRS Chapter 304 to establish the Strengthen Kentucky Homes Program; establish purpose; create the Strengthen Kentucky Homes Program fund; require the commissioner of insurance to promulgate administrative regulations to implement and administer program; create new sections of Subtitle 13 of KRS Chapter 304 to require property insurance companies to provide a premium discount or rate reduction for properties that have received a qualifying certificate of compliance under certain circumstances; permit the insurance commissioner to promulgate administrative regulations to establish standard discount amounts, targets, or benchmarks for coverage; require property insurance companies to offer an optional rider, endorsement, or supplemental policy provision to upgrade non-FORTIFIED single-family dwellings under certain circumstances; provide that Sections 2 and 3 of Act apply to insurance policies and contracts issued or renewed on or after March 1, 2026; provide when submissions are required for premium discounts or rate reductions and the optional rider, endorsement, or supplemental policy provision under Sections 2 and 3 of this Act; provide that the Act may be cited as the Strengthen Kentucky Homes Act; APPROPRIATION. House Committee Substitute (2) Retain original provisions, except remove exclusions of manufactured or mobile home; provide that a financial grant may be provided to mitigate owner-occupied insurable dwellings; require the insurance commissioner to establish eligibility criteria for evaluators of insurable dwellings; amend requirements for providing a premium discount, rate reduction, or other adjustment; specify that an insurer may provide a premium discount or rate reduction in accordance with any standard discount amounts, targets, or benchmarks established by the insurance commissioner; amend definitions of "cost to upgrade the single-family dwelling" and "non-FORTIFIED dwelling."

Current Status: 3/13/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Banking & Insurance (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB256.html>

HB268

WORKFORCE HOUSING LOAN POOL FUND (RUDY, S) AN ACT relating to create a workforce housing loan pool fund and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A to create the workforce housing loan pool fund

to be administered by the Kentucky Housing Corporation to provide construction loans to qualifying entities for certain housing projects; specify application process;
APPROPRIATION.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB268.html>

HB294 JURISDICTION OF CONTRACTOR DISPUTES (GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to jurisdiction of contractor disputes involving real property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 411 to establish exclusive jurisdiction for contractor dispute actions involving real property located in this state.

Current Status: 1/17/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB294.html>

HB296 TEMPORARY STRUCTURES (LAWRENCE, W) AN ACT relating to temporary structures.

Amend KRS 198B.050 to exempt temporary structures from building code compliance if erected by or for a state or government agency, city, or municipality. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; require a temporary structure be inspected and brought into compliance or removed after six months.

Current Status: 3/11/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB296.html>

HB305 BUILDING CODE VIOLATIONS (CALLOWAY, J) AN ACT relating to building code violations.

Amend KRS 198B.130 to establish criteria for a violation for deviation from the Uniform State Building Code.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB305.html>

HB308 INHERITANCE AND ESTATE TAXES (LOCKETT, M) AN ACT relating to inheritance and estate taxes.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 140 to limit inheritance and estate taxes to deaths occurring before August 1, 2024; amend various sections of KRS Chapter 140 to include a sunset clause for taxes and deductions imposed within the chapter; repeal KRS 140.130 and 140.140, relating to levy and payment of estate tax.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB308.html>

HB335 ANIMALS (MASSARONI, C) AN ACT relating to animals and making an appropriation therefor.

Amend KRS 258.119 to allow the animal control and care fund to receive fines; amend KRS 258.500 to define "person" as a person who has an ongoing therapeutic relationship with a health care provider and stipulate who can be a health care provider under the definition; define additional terms; exclude from therapeutic relationship fee-based transactions for disability documentation absent a face-to-face consultation with a health care provider; establish requirements for an assistance dog to be granted public accommodation; specify that emotional support animals are not required to be admitted where assistance dog are

allowed; specify that the rights, privileges, and exemptions afforded to assistance dogs do not extend to emotional support animals; affirm certain rights and privileges of public establishments as nondiscriminatory and allow additional rights for those providing accommodation in situations of tenancy; amend KRS 258.335 to make unlawful the misrepresentation of a dog as an assistance dog to obtain public accommodation; amend KRS 258.991 to set the penalty for interference with use of an assistance dog at \$500 to \$1,000 and delete jail time; make the misrepresentation of a dog as an assistance dog to obtain public accommodations unlawful and provide for a fine of up to \$1,000; require that funds be paid into the animal control and care fund with 50% to fund spay and neuter clinics and 50% for county animal shelter block grants; amend KRS 525.010 to redefine "assistance dog."

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HCS 1 and HCA 1t

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB335.html>

HB337

LOCAL REGULATORY ACTIONS (RAYMOND, J) AN ACT relating to local regulatory actions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 82 to define "city," "project labor agreement," and "public construction project"; permit a city to establish a mandatory preference for awarding public construction project contracts to unions through a negotiated project labor agreement; permit cities to negotiate wages that are higher than the state or federal minimum wage as a condition of the project labor agreement; create a new section in KRS Chapter 337 to define "city," "prevailing wage," "prevailing wage rate," and "public works project"; permit a city to enact prevailing wage ordinances; amend KRS 65.016 to grant local governments the authority to adopt and enforce ordinances that require employers in their jurisdiction to provide leave to employees and set a higher minimum wage than state and federal rates; amend KRS 65.870 to remove state preemption of local firearms regulations and allow local governments to enact ordinances regulating firearms; amend KRS 237.115 to conform; amend KRS 383.210 and 383.215, relating to forcible entry and detainer, to allow a local government to set an alternative time period from the date of the service of the warrant and the date of the hearing to more than the minimum of three days; require the local government to notify the sheriff, the court of jurisdiction, and the administrative office of the courts of that action; and amend KRS 65.1591 to conform.

Current Status: 1/22/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB337.html>

HB344

HOUSING DISCRIMINATION (BURKE, L) AN ACT relating to housing discrimination.

Amend KRS 344.010 to define "source of income"; amend KRS 344.360, 344.367, and 344.370 to prohibit housing discrimination based on an individual's source of income.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB344.html>

HB356

FIRE PROTECTION (NEIGHBORS, A) AN ACT relating to fire protection.

Amend KRS 75.450 to allow nonprofit fire departments to increase their fees charged when responding to fires or other emergencies at properties that are not subscribers, and specify that in the case of a fire or other emergency in which more than one department responds, that the jurisdictional fire department may charge up to \$1,500 to the nonmember or nonsubscriber and any other responding fire departments may charge up to \$500.

Current Status: 1/26/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Local Government (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB356.html>

HB388

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (NEMES, J) AN ACT relating to local government and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 67C.147, relating to urban service taxing districts in consolidated local governments, to require the consolidated local government to reimburse fire districts operating under KRS Chapter 75 that made emergency medical runs within the area of the urban service tax district; require no more than 10 percent of funding of the services contracted with the consolidated local government by the urban service tax district come from taxes levied by the consolidated local government from areas outside the urban service tax district between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2030; provide that no such funding come from outside the urban service tax district on or after July 1, 2030; amend KRS 67C.111, regarding incorporation and annexation of cities in a county containing a consolidated local government, to adjust the number of signatures required in a petition for mandatory action; prohibit a city in a county containing a consolidated local government from annexing manufacturing areas, as defined, primarily for the purpose of obtaining occupational license tax revenue unless the annexation is consented to by each property owner in the area to be annexed; create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to provide that members of local boards, commission, committees, and other bodies created by or appointed by local governments have geographic and political party affiliation diversity; amend KRS 67C.103 to require the election of council members in a consolidated local government to be nonpartisan; amend KRS 67C.105 to require the election of a mayor in a consolidated local government to be nonpartisan; amend KRS 117.125 to conform; amend KRS 177.360 to direct consolidated local governments to establish procedures to prioritize projects undertaken with county road aid funds; establish the Property Valuation Review Commission to review assessments in a county containing a consolidated local government; ensure that the assessments are consistent and uniform; provide for appointments by mayor from recommendations of various entities; require that the commission report to the Legislative Research Commission, the mayor and metro council of the consolidated local government, and the Finance and Administration Cabinet no later than December 31, 2024; Sections 4, 5, and 6 EFFECTIVE January 1, 2025; EMERGENCY, in part. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except distinguish between services provided in an urban service tax district that are in addition to services performed by the consolidated local government in the remainder of the county; provide that an action of the consolidated local government legislative council relating to incorporation shall not be subject to mayoral veto; make provision for areas that are vacant or otherwise unimproved land where no persons reside and prohibit annexation for commercial real estate with the prior consent of each owner of record in that area; make the provisions relating to geographic parity only applicable to entities being appointed in a consolidated local government and delete provision relating to political parity; amend noncodified language, relating to the Property Valuation Review Commission, to have three members submitted for approval from an association of realtors in the county, of which one is to be a real estate broker, and one, rather than two, members submitted for approval by a commercial real estate association.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (S) Returned to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB388.html>

HB391**CIVIL RIGHTS** (HERRON, K) AN ACT relating to civil rights.

Repeal and reenact KRS 344.010 to define various terms; amend KRS 344.020, relating to the purpose of the Kentucky's civil rights chapter, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.025, 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, and 344.080, relating to prohibited discrimination in various labor and employment practices, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.100 and 344.110 to conform; amend KRS 344.120 and 342.140, relating to prohibited discrimination in places of public accommodation and advertisements therefor, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.170, 344.180, 344.190, 344.300, and 344.310, relating to the state and local human rights commissions, to include prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in the scope of their powers and duties; amend KRS 344.360, 344.370, 344.380, and 344.680, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain housing, real estate, and other financial transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.367, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain insurance sales, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.400, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain credit transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; make various technical amendments; amend KRS 18A.095 to conform.

Current Status: 1/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB391.html>

HB397**LICENSURE OF MILITARY-CONNECTED INDIVIDUALS** (KOCH, M) AN ACT relating to the licensure of military-connected individuals.

Amend KRS 12.245 to include military orders documenting a military assignment transfer to Kentucky as valid proof of military service; ensure occupational licensing compacts in Kentucky take precedence for a United States military service member, Reserves or National Guard member, veteran, or their spouse.

Current Status: 3/11/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB397.html>

HB403**REAL PROPERTY BOARDS** (MEADE, D) AN ACT relating to real property boards.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 12 to create the Division of Real Property Boards within the Public Protection Cabinet; establish responsibilities of the division; amend various other sections to conform. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions; direct the director of the Division of Real Property Boards and the chair of each board to submit written recommendations to the Public Protection Cabinet regarding sufficient staffing needs; require the Public Protection Cabinet to consider the staffing recommendations and requests submitted by the director of the Kentucky Real Estate Authority, the Division of Real Property Boards, and the chair of each board; require the executive director of the Kentucky Real Estate Authority and the director of the Division of Real Property Boards to have a minimum of seven years of experience in the real estate industry within the last 15 years; require the Public Protection Cabinet to provide the division, the authority, and boards with documentation showing the income and expenditures of all license fees; establish a grace period for licensees who began their continuing education prior to December 31; establish the conditions upon which a license may be canceled; amend various other sections to conform. House Floor Amendment (1)

Retain original provisions; require the chair of the Kentucky Real Estate Commission to submit written recommendations to the secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet regarding staffing needs and relevant experience necessary to carry out the functions of the commission; and direct the secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet to consider the staffing recommendations and requests submitted by the chair.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (S) Posted for Passage in Consent Orders of the Day; w/ SCS1

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB403.html>

HB413 TAX CREDIT FOR RENTERS (STEVENSON, P) AN ACT relating to a tax credit for renters.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable renter tax credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, but before January 1, 2029, in the amount of 25 percent of the qualified rent payments made during the taxable year, not to exceed \$1,000; amend KRS 141.0205 to order the tax credit; amend KRS 131.190 to allow reporting by the Department of Revenue.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB413.html>

HB418 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS (POLLOCK, M) AN ACT relating to agricultural districts.

Amend KRS 262.850 to decrease the minimum number of acres to qualify as an agricultural district from 250 acres to 50 acres; add cities that are within one mile of the agricultural district to the list of entities to be notified of the proposal, approval, and withdrawal of property from, an agricultural district; allow a district board of supervisors of supervisors to consider possible dissolution of an agricultural district if an owner's withdrawal of property results in the remaining land no longer qualifying as agricultural land.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (S) Posted for Passage in Consent Orders of the Day

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB418.html>

HB427 SEWER CHARGES (RABOURN, F) AN ACT relating to sewer charges imposed by sanitation districts.

Amend KRS 220.510 to prohibit a sanitation district from imposing any fee, tax, surcharge, or other charge for the provision of service to a property unless the property is connected to a sanitary sewer owned or maintained by the sanitation district or there is an approved plan to connect the property to a sanitary sewer owned or maintained by the sanitation district within two years, the property discharges storm water to a storm sewer or storm water improvement owned or operated by the sanitation district and if it discharges to a new improvement or facility that it not be more than one mile from the nearest property boundary, the person responsible for the charge has agreed to the charges in writing with the sanitation district that provides the service; amend KRS 220.515 to conform; provide that the Act may be cited as the Ensuring Fair Sewer Charges Act.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB427.html>

HB443 LAND USE (RUDY, S) AN ACT relating to land use.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to require that local laws dealing with subdivision

plats and development plans are to be set out by objective standards and applied ministerially; set out conditions for application of discretion; EFFECTIVE July 1, 2025.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (S) Posted for Passage in Consent Orders of the Day

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB443.html>

HB451 **WILLS** (WILSON, N) AN ACT relating to wills.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 394 to allow for a will to refer to a separate written statement or list in order to dispose of items of tangible personal property not otherwise specifically bequeathed. House Floor Amendment (1) Retain original provisions, except require that the written statement or list be dated by the testator; allow the written statement or list to be handwritten or typewritten.

Current Status: 3/7/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB451.html>

HB458 **TRADE PRACTICES** (GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to trade practices.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 365 to define terms; prohibit a person from soliciting residential property owners with a prohibited advertisement, offering value in exchange for inspecting residential property owner's roof, or making an insurance claim for damage to the residential property owner's roof, interpreting the residential property owner's insurance policy without a license, and failing to provide a good faith estimate agreeing to repairing a residential property owner's roof pursuant to a property insurance claim; create an exemption when location of residential property is located in a declared emergency or disaster area.

Current Status: 2/1/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB458.html>

HB465 **WORKER BENEFITS** (PRATT, P) AN ACT relating to worker benefits.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 336 to define terms; permit a public or private entity to contribute funds to a portable benefit plan of a self-employed worker without establishing an employer classification. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except remove provision specifying that contributions to a portable benefit plan shall not be used as evidence of employer liability.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - Senate Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S), (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB465.html>

HB466 **REAL PROPERTY PURCHASED AT A MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE**
(GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to real property purchased at a master commissioner's sale.

Amend KRS 91.514 and create a new section of KRS Chapter 426 to establish that any residential property that is purchased at a master commissioner's sale in a county that has a land bank authority and was occupied prior to or at the time of the sale must be returned to a state of occupancy within specified time periods; define terms; and establish a fine of \$100 per day payable to the local government for noncompliance.

Current Status: 2/5/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB466.html>

HB470 **HOME SOLICITATION SALES** (DUVALL, R) AN ACT relating to home solicitation sales.

Amend KRS 367.410 to define "department"; amend KRS 367.450 to provide that sellers of goods or services related to insurance or service contracts who are regulated by the Department of Insurance are exempt from requirements related to home solicitation sales. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except delete definition of "department" and insert definition of "affiliate"; exempt sales of certain service contracts, and goods or services related to insurance or a service contract, if the seller is, or the seller is an affiliate of a person that is, licensed by, registered with, or otherwise regulated by the Department of Insurance; make technical corrections.

Current Status: 3/13/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Banking & Insurance (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB470.html>

HB472 **RESIDENTIAL PLANNED COMMUNITIES** (FREELAND, C) AN ACT relating to residential planned communities.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 381 to allow the appointment of a receiver for a planned community when it fails to maintain the infrastructure, common area, storm water detention or retention area, or other facility that it is legally obligated to maintain; allow a city to recover funds expended to repair, renovate, maintain, or otherwise bring violations up to code. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 381.786 to state that property owners' associations are not subject to the provisions of KRS 381.785 to 381.801

Current Status: 3/11/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB472.html>

HB483 **MISCLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES** (STALKER, S) AN ACT relating to misclassification of employees.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to provide a remedy for employees misclassified as independent contractors; amend KRS 337.010 to define "independent contractor" and "misclassified"; repeal KRS 336.137.

Current Status: 2/7/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB483.html>

HB488 **LEGAL INSTRUMENTS** (MEREDITH, M) AN ACT relating to legal instruments.

Amend KRS 382.297 to establish when a county clerk shall admit any amendment, renewal, modification, or extension of a recorded mortgage to record; establish when a county clerk shall admit affidavits of amendment prepared and executed by an attorney to record; establish recording requirements and construction of section; amend KRS 413.100 to establish when a promise, acknowledgment, or payment of money operates as an extension of a lien in a recorded mortgage or deed; establish recording requirements for extension.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (S) FIRST READING to Consent

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB488.html>

HB501 SENATE CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTEES (DOSSETT, M) AN ACT relating to Senate confirmation of appointees.

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.

Current Status: 2/9/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB501.html>

HB511 LAND SURVEYORS (RILEY, S) AN ACT relating to land surveyors.

Amend KRS 322.470 to require professional land surveyors to provide seven days' written notice of a survey to the landowner; inform landowner regarding corners that lie on the land or affect its boundaries, and provide a copy of the survey to the landowner without charge upon request; allow landowners to discuss the survey with the professional land surveyor.

Current Status: 2/12/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB511.html>

HB526 LANDLORDS AND TENANTS (GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to landlords and tenants.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to establish a civil cause of action for a tenant against a landlord who receives a citation for a violation of a local housing code and does not remedy the violation within 90 days; provide that if the cost of the repair exceeds 12 months' rent, the landlord may refund rent and obtain possession of the property within 30 days; establish procedure for determining cost of repair; specify recoverable damages; establish procedure for maintaining a forcible detainer action during the pendency of the tenant's civil action; require rent due during pendency of civil action to be paid into court; declare a waiver of rights to be unenforceable; provide that the Act may be cited as the Make Our Landlords Diligent (M.O.L.D) Act.

Current Status: 2/13/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB526.html>

HB527 ROOFING CONTRACTORS (GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to roofing contractors and making an appropriation therefor.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 198B to define terms; establish licensing for roofing contractors under the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction; prohibit any persons not licensed under this department from holding himself or herself out as a roofing contractor; authorize the department to promulgate administrative regulations; authorize the department to issue a license for roofing contractors; establish fee limitations; establish requirements for applicants; authorize the department to implement disciplinary actions; establish a fine for violations; create the roofing contractors fund; amend KRS 367.620 to conform; APPROPRIATION.

Current Status: 2/13/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB527.html>

HB575 ACQUISITION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND (HEATH, R) AN ACT relating to the acquisition of agricultural land.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 247 to define terms, prohibit a nonresident alien,

foreign business, foreign agent, trustee, or fiduciary associated with the government of any proscribed country referenced in 22 C.F.R. sec. 126.1 from the purchase, lease, or acquisition of agricultural land in Kentucky or participation in programs administered by the Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Board, and Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation; allow an existing foreign-owned business to purchase adjacent agricultural land to expand the operations of the business; exempt foreign ownership or leasing of up to 350 acres for research purposes; establish the Kentucky Foreign Investment Review Board to review applications for appeal for those on the prohibited countries list wishing to purchase, lease, or acquire agricultural land, set forth requirements of the board to approve or deny an application for appeal, establish a process for an application for appeal, authorize the board to promulgate administrative regulations; allow an applicant who is denied an appeal to purchase agricultural land to appeal the final decision in Circuit Court; require a county clerk to record an affidavit on any deed that conveys agricultural land and report the affidavit recordings monthly to the Kentucky Foreign Investment Review Board, require the Kentucky Foreign Investment Review Board to report to the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States each month; set forth requirements to divest land that has been purchased, leased, or denied without approval of the Kentucky Foreign Investment Review Board, and direct the distribution of sale proceeds.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HCS 1 and HFA 1

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB575.html>

HB577

PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATORS (MCPHERSON, S) AN ACT relating to property valuation administrators, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 132.590 to find and determine that property valuations administrators are officers whose jurisdiction and duties are coextensive to that of the state within the meaning of Section 246 of the Constitution; update the salary schedule; prohibit PVAs' salaries from exceeding that in the Constitution; provide that certain PVAs who did not receive an eight percent raise and who are still in office shall receive a lump-sum payment of eight percent of the sum they received for the time between the effective date of the Act and July 1, 2022.

Current Status: 3/7/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB577.html>

HB579

EMINENT DOMAIN (DOSSETT, M) AN ACT relating to eminent domain.

Amend KRS 416.550 to require that before a condemnor exercises the right of eminent domain with regard to private property, the condemnor shall engage in good faith negotiations with the property owner, seek written consent from the property owner to make an audio or video recording of the good faith negotiations and to submit the recording to the Attorney General, refrain from making any materially false or misleading statements, and not enter into any legally binding agreement with the property owner until a survey of the property has been completed at the expense of the condemnor; provide that the recording of negotiations are subject to public inspection under the Kentucky Open Records Act; amend KRS 416.570 to require a condemnor to include with the verified petition, that it must file with the Circuit Court of jurisdiction, an affirmation that the condemnor has complied with the requirements of this Act.

Current Status: 2/16/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB579.html>

HB591 INVESTMENT FIRMS (CAMUEL, A) AN ACT relating to investment firms.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 381 to define "investment firm" and "single family residence"; prohibit investment firms from entering into contracts to buy single family residences less than 90 days from the date it is listed; require an investment firm to be represented by a licensed real estate broker who is not employed by the investment firm.

Current Status: 2/20/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB591.html>

HB596 ANNEXATION (DIXON, J) AN ACT relating to annexation.

Amend KRS 81A.420 to require a city to provide written notice to a county of annexation; eliminate the election in opposition to annexation but allow a petition to defeat annexation proposal; create a new section of KRS 65.210 to 65.300 to make interlocal agreements concerning the sharing of occupational or insurance premium tax revenue between a city and a county terminable only with the consent of both parties; amend KRS 65.250 to conform; create new sections of KRS Chapter 81A that allow a county subject to occupational tax crediting to have standing to challenge a proposed annexation; require cities that annex territory in counties subject to occupational tax crediting to remit payments to a county or negotiate with a county for investment in a project associated with the annexation in certain circumstances; allow counties to establish designated county industrial districts; define terms; prohibit annexation by a city of territory within a district without consent of the county; provide method to establish a new district or dissolve an existing district; require certain uses within a district; set a maximum number and size of districts within a county; provide landowners and cities with standing to bring suit against a county concerning a district. House Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 81A.412 to require a city located in a county subject to occupational tax crediting to provide written notice to the county in the case of a voluntary annexation; include exception for corridor annexations that would be subject to certain provisions where a city was providing water and sewer services in the area and the county has not made prior investment in the area; state that cost-sharing and hold harmless provisions do not apply when a city and county have an existing interlocal agreement that would cover the annexation; include a requirement that the city submit information to the Department for Local Government regarding any annexation that would be subject to the Act.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (S) SECOND READING, to Rules

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB596.html>

HB627 LIABILITY DAMAGE TO PROPERTY ADJACENT TO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE (MILES, S) AN ACT relating to liability for damage to property adjacent to Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission-managed lands.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 150 to define "adjacent landowner" and "commission-managed lands"; waive the sovereign immunity of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and establish the department's liability when the operations of commission-managed lands results in damages to property of an adjacent landowner; provide that a claim for damages shall be brought in the county in which the adjacent landowner's property is located, and the action shall not be removed to Franklin District or Circuit Court; provide that the Board of Claims does not have jurisdiction over an adjacent landowner's claim for damages.

Current Status: 2/21/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB627.html>

HB657 TRANSFERS OF LAND (BRIDGES, R) AN ACT relating to transfers of land.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 382 to require an owner of land comprising a subdivision, in a county which has not adopted regulations under KRS Chapter 100, relating to planning and zoning, for the subdivision of land within its boundaries, to record a plat of the subdivision in the office of the county clerk; establish penalties for violations.

Current Status: 3/13/2024 - received in Senate

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB657.html>

HB673 DISPLAYING OF FLAGS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY (BAUMAN, J) AN ACT relating to the displaying of flags on personal property.

Create a new section of KRS 381.785 to 381.801 to define "Betsy Ross Flag"; prohibit a planned community association from preventing a home owner from placing a flag pole displaying any version of the American flag, historic versions of the American Flag including the Betsy Ross Flag, or the Kentucky state flag on private property; amend KRS 381.990 to establish a penalty.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB673.html>

HB703 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS (MCPHERSON, S) AN ACT relating to the Department of Highways.

Amend KRS 176.050 to allow the Department of Highways to establish professional service contracts with real estate brokers and appraisers to provide lawful right of way services.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB703.html>

HB723 ECONOMIC RELIEF FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES (HEATH, R) AN ACT relating to economic relief for local communities of the Commonwealth and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 147A.150 to delete priority communities and insert eligible communities; amend KRS 147A.152 to redefine "eligible grant recipients," "eligible grant recipient," "eligible project," and "eligible use,"; delete "priority community"; define "eligible community"; amend KRS 147A.154 to include an approval or denial response by the Department for Local Government to Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation Program fund applicants and change monthly and annual reports by the Department for Local Government to the Governor, the Senate Standing Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, the House Standing Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue; require local public universities to assist eligible communities with federal grant applications upon request of local area development districts; amend KRS 147A.156 to include a preliminary evaluation and final decision of applications by the Department for Local Government; amend KRS 147A.158 to provide up to 10% of the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation Program fund to nonprofit organizations and up to 90% of the fund to cities or counties; eliminate the use of funds by the Department for Local Government for administration of the program and the required report by the Department for Local Government of detailing expenditures for administration of the program from the fund; amend KRS147A.162 to require the Department for Local Government to identify and certify areas for funding to eligible communities; amend evaluation and scoring criteria of

the Department for Local Government for the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation applications; amend KRS 147A.164 to require a monthly report to the Governor, the Senate Standing Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, the House Standing Committee on Appropriations and Revenue, and the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue; repeal KRS 147A.160, relating to designation of priority communities; EMERGENCY.

Current Status: 3/15/2024 - (H) Posted for Passage in Regular Orders of the Day; w/ HCS 1

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB723.html>

HB724

LOCAL TAXATION (DIXON, J) AN ACT relating to local taxation.

Amend KRS 67.083 to allow a fiscal court of any county to levy all taxes not in conflict with the Constitution of Kentucky, provided that the fee or tax is authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 67A.070 to allow urban-county governments county to levy all taxes not in conflict with the Constitution of Kentucky, provided that the fee or tax is authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 67C.101 to allow consolidated local government to levy all taxes not in conflict with the Constitution of Kentucky, provided that the fee or tax is authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 92.281 to allow cities of all classes levy all taxes not in conflict with the Constitution of Kentucky, provided that the fee or tax is authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 610.350 to allow certain local government bodies to levy taxes within constitutional limitations, provided that the tax is authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 83.520 to allow the legislative body of a city of the first class to levy all taxes within constitutional limitations, provided that the taxes are authorized by the statutes of this state; amend KRS 65.760 to allow local governments to levy certain taxes within certain limitations, provided that the taxes are authorized by the statutes of this state; create a new section of KRS Chapter 92 to prohibit municipal corporations that are authorized to levy and collect taxes or fees from levying the tax or fee unless the tax or fee is authorized by the statutes of this state; EFFECTIVE upon the ratification by voters of an amendment to Section 181 of the Constitution of Kentucky.

Current Status: 3/5/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB724.html>

HB730

PROPERTY TAX INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PROGRAM (WILLNER, L) AN ACT relating to a property tax installment payment program.

Create a new section in KRS Chapter 134 to establish a quarterly installment payment program; define terms; provide installment payment calculation guidelines; require specific property tax information be sent to the taxpayer through notifications or made accessible through an electronic system; allow an administrative fee up to three percent; disallow two percent discount for early payment of taxes if taxes paid under quarterly installment payment program; prohibit collection of penalties and interest on installment payments; require the Department of Revenue to promulgate administrative regulations; establish penalties for noncompliance; amend KRS 133.220 to require the sheriff or collector to include specific tax payment information on tax notices; amend KRS 134.015 to conform.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB730.html>

HB759

AFFORDABLE HOUSING (GROSSBERG, D) AN ACT relating to affordable housing and making an appropriation therefor.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198A to create the abandoned home pool fund to be administered by the Kentucky Housing Corporation to purchase and improve vacant and abandoned homes for rental to eligible individuals and families; specify application process and criteria; APPROPRIATION.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB759.html>

HB765

LICENSING AND OCCUPATIONS (MCCOOL, B) AN ACT relating to licensing and occupations.

Amend various sections of The Kentucky Revised Statutes to remove references to moral turpitude and good moral character; amend various other sections to conform; make technical changes.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB765.html>

HB778

REAL PROPERTY (BRIDGES, R) AN ACT relating to real property.

Amend KRS 371.160 to provide that the requirement that the retained amount held back by an owner for improvement of real estate in any contract in the amount of \$500,000 or more be deposited into a separate escrow account shall be mandatory and shall not waived by contract.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB778.html>

HB822

PLANNING AND ZONING (ROARX, R) AN ACT relating to planning and zoning.

Amend KRS 65.8835 and 100.991 to state that a local government shall possess a lien on property of a person found by a final order to have committed a violation of an ordinance created under KRS Chapter 100.

Current Status: 2/26/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB822.html>

HB835

REAL PROPERTY (BANTA, K) AN ACT relating to real property.

Amend KRS 132.010 and 136.010 to include mains, pipes, pipelines, and conduits in the definition of "real property"; make technical corrections; apply to property assessed on or after January 1, 2023; RETROACTIVE.

Current Status: 3/5/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Appropriations & Revenue (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HB835.html>

HCR68

KENTUCKY HOUSING TASK FORCE (BRIDGES, R) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION directing the establishment of the Kentucky Housing Task Force.

Direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Kentucky Housing Task Force to study, review, and provide policy recommendations on how to address the housing shortage in the Commonwealth; require the task force to meet at least monthly during the 2024 Interim; outline task force membership; require the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2024.

Current Status: 2/8/2024 - (H) SECOND READING, to Rules

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/HCR68.html>

SB21 TAXATION (DENEEN, M) AN ACT relating to taxation and declaring an emergency.

Amend KRS 132.810 to remove the requirement that totally disabled persons filing for the homestead exemption apply annually and only require a person to reapply if the disability status of the person changes; create a new section of KRS Chapter 140 to sunset inheritance and estate taxes; repeal KRS 140.130 and 140.140 to conform; EMERGENCY.

Current Status: 1/3/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB21.html>

SB23 AMEND CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION (NEMES, M) AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to amend Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky to include in the homestead exemption for owners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of the real property that is assessed after the later of the year the owner turned 65 or the year the owner purchased the property; apply the exemption to increases in valuation that occur after the date the amendment is ratified by the voters; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection. Senate Floor Amendment (2) Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt for homeowners who are 65 years of age or older any increase in the valuation of their permanent residence that is assessed after the later of the year the homeowner turned 65 or the year the homeowner purchased the property.

Current Status: 3/7/2024 - (H) Referred to Committee House Elections, Const. Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs (H)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB23.html>

SB25 LANDLORD AND TENANT ORDINANCES (WEST, S) AN ACT relating to local landlord and tenant ordinances.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 383 to prohibit local governments from adopting or enforcing an ordinance that requires a landlord to participate in a housing program under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937; prohibit local governments from adopting or enforcing an ordinance relating to landlord and tenant laws that is in conflict with state law.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - received in House

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB25.html>

SB34 FAMILY WELL-BEING (WESTERFIELD, W) AN ACT relating to the promotion of family well-being and making an appropriation therefor.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 205 to require the eligibility periods for all public assistance programs administered by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services be extended to the maximum period of eligibility permitted under federal law; prohibit the Cabinet for Health and Family Services from relying exclusively on automated, artificial-intelligence based, or algorithmic software in the identification of fraud in programs administered by the cabinet; require Cabinet for Health and Family Services personnel to

review relevant documentation before denying, discontinuing, or reducing an individual's benefits; amend KRS 205.178 to conform; amend KRS 205.231 to establish a presumption of innocence for public assistance beneficiaries when appealing a decision to disqualify the individual; create a new section of Subtitle 17 of KRS Chapter 304 to require insurers to provide a special enrollment period for pregnant individuals and specify coverage requirements; amend KRS 304.17A-145 to require health benefit plans that provide coverage for dependents to cover maternity care for all covered individuals regardless of age; amend KRS 18A.225, 164.2871, 194A.099, 205.522, 205.6485, and 205.5372 to conform; amend KRS 205.592 to allow Medicaid income limits for certain women and children to be increased under certain circumstances; create a new section of KRS Chapter 205 to require Medicaid coverage for lactation support services and breastfeeding supplies; amend KRS 205.1783 to require the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training program to offer the same services as are offered to Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program participants; amend KRS 100.982 and 100.984 to permit the operation of family child-care homes in any residential zone without a conditional use permit; amend KRS 199.894 to define terms; create a new section of KRS Chapter 199 to establish the Child Care Assistance Program; create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to allow court eviction-records to be expunged after three years; require payment of back rent; create a new section of KRS Chapter 164 to establish a tuition and student fee waiver for eligible pregnant women and parents; direct the Legislative Research Commission to establish the Basic Health Program Design Task Force to make recommendations regarding the basic health program eligibility, cost sharing, and reimbursement rates; authorize the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to establish a basic health program; direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to prepare and submit federal waiver applications to provide supported housing and supported employment services to certain Medicaid beneficiaries; to waive the single risk pool requirement and establish a state-based reinsurance program; and to permit the cabinet to accept SNAP applications from incarcerated individuals up to six months prior to release; appropriate to the Kentucky Housing Corporation: 2024-2026: \$10,000,000 for a rental assistance program for pregnant women and households that include children under the five years of age; appropriate to the Department of Agriculture: 2024-2026 \$2,200,000 to establish a school nutrition reimbursement program and to support the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Assistance Program; appropriate to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services: 2024-2025: \$284,843,200, 2025-2026: \$314,838,400 to expand the Women, Infants, and Children Farmers Market Nutrition Assistance Program to include Jefferson County, establish a Women, Infants, and Children's Program supplemental payment, expand Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training program offerings; support the Child Care Assistance Program, and fund an additional 280 slots in the Home and Community Based waiver program, an additional 2,100 slots in the Michelle P. waiver program, and an additional 800 slots in the Supports for Community Living waiver program; direct the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to seek federal approval as necessary; direct the Department of Insurance to seek a federal cost defrayment waiver as necessary; provide that the Act may be cited as the Advancing Lives for Pregnancy and Healthy Alternatives Act or the ALPHA Act; APPROPRIATION; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 1/5/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB34.html>

SB54

HEIRS AND PROPERTY (THOMAS, R) AN ACT relating to heirs property and making an appropriation therefor.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 381 to enact the Uniform Partition of Heirs Property

Act; define terms, including "heirs property"; create a mechanism for partition or sale among cotenants by the court; create requirements for notice and determination of value through agreement or appraisal; create protocol for buyouts, partition alternatives, partition in kind, sale by open market, sealed bids, or auction; create the heirs property research fund; amend KRS 324B.050 to authorize the Kentucky Real Estate Authority to promulgate administrative regulations to issue grants from the fund; amend KRS 64.012 to increase the recording and indexing fee collected by county clerks by \$1 and to direct those additional fees to the heirs property research fund; amend KRS 381.135 and 389A.030 to conform; APPROPRIATION.

Current Status: 1/3/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB54.html>

SB58 **PROPERTY TAX RATES** (BOSWELL, G) AN ACT relating to property tax rates.

Amend KRS 132.017 to allow any registered voter who resides in the district to file a petition; remove the requirement that a petition committee be formed and an affidavit to be filed with the county clerk; remove the requirement that the county clerk publish a notice about the tax rate challenge in the newspaper; allow each sheet of the petition to contain the names of voters from more than one voting precinct; remove the requirement that the petition signees put their Social Security number or the name and number of their designated voting precinct on the petition; amend KRS 132.018 to conform. Senate Committee Substitute (1) Retain original provisions, except amend KRS 132.017 to allow any three registered voters to form a petition committee; reinstate the requirements for a petition committee to be formed and an affidavit to be filed with the county clerk; reinstate the requirement that the county clerk publish a notice about the tax rate challenge in the newspaper; include a requirement that the petition signees put their birth year on the petition; delete conforming changes.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (H) FIRST READING

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB58.html>

SB69 **AD VALOREM TAX RATE** (BOSWELL, G) AN ACT relating to the levy of an ad valorem tax rate.

Repeal and reenact KRS 132.017 to require the portion of a property tax rate which will produce revenue from real property, exclusive of revenue from new property, more than four percent over the amount of revenue produced by the compensating tax rate to be subject to recall by the voters of the district; establish requirements for the ballot question, notifying the public, the election process, and recalling the rate; allow the cancellation of the election; disallow local, state, and federal tax dollars to be used to advocate for the rate; amend various statutes to conform; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB69.html>

SB76 **LOCAL GOVERNMENTS** (WEST, S) AN ACT relating to local governments.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to prohibit local governments from adopting or enforcing an ordinance relating to landlord or tenant laws that is in conflict with the laws of this Commonwealth.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB76.html>

SB118 TRESPASS (MEREDITH, S) AN ACT relating to trespass.

Amend KRS 511.070 to allow notice of trespass to be given through the placement of identifying purple paint marks on property; require any owner or lessee who marks his or her real property in such a manner to also provide clear written notice forbidding entry. Senate Floor Amendment (1) Retain original provisions, except to remove the requirement that an owner or lessee provide clear written notice forbidding entry.

Current Status: 3/14/2024 - (H) SECOND READING, to Rules

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB118.html>

SB122 FORCIBLE DETAINER ACTIONS (GIRDLER, R) AN ACT relating to forcible detainer actions.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 to allow a landlord to file and practice a forcible detainer action.

Current Status: 1/24/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Judiciary (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB122.html>

SB134 CIVIL RIGHTS (NEAL, G) AN ACT relating to civil rights.

Amend KRS 344.010 to include definitions for "sexual orientation" and "gender identity"; amend KRS 344.020, relating to the purpose of the Kentucky's civil rights chapter, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.025, 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, and 344.080, relating to prohibited discrimination in various labor and employment practices, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.100 and 344.110 to conform; amend KRS 344.120 and 344.140, relating to prohibited discrimination in places of public accommodation, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.170, 344.180, 344.190, 344.300, and 344.310, relating to the state and local human rights commissions, to include prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in the scope of their powers and duties; amend KRS 344.360, 344.370, 344.380, and 344.680, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain housing, real estate, and other financial transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.367, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain insurance sales, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; amend KRS 344.400, relating to prohibited discrimination in certain credit transactions, to include discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; make various technical amendments; amend KRS 18A.095 to conform.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Judiciary (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB134.html>

SB176 WORKER FAIRNESS (WHEELER, P) AN ACT relating to worker fairness in the construction industry.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 337 to define terms; establish a procedure for classifying workers as employees or independent contractors; amend KRS 337.990 to

establish penalties for violations; amend KRS 45A.145 to prohibit contractors with multiple violations from contracting with the state for five years; create new sections of KRS Chapters 341 and 342, and amend KRS 131.190, to require the Department of Revenue, Office of Unemployment Insurance, and the Department of Workers' Claims to provide one another with any assessment or orders arising out of the misclassification of an employee; create a new section of KRS Chapter 337 to require the secretary of the Education and Labor Cabinet to develop a training program relating to employee misclassification; provide that Sections 1 to 10, 14 and 15 of this Act may be cited as the Kentucky Workers Fairness Act; EFFECTIVE, in part, January 1, 2025.

Current Status: 2/8/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB176.html>

SB234

SHORT-TERM RENTALS (WEST, S) AN ACT relating to short-term rentals.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 100 to define terms related to short-term rentals; make owner-occupied short-term rentals a permitted residential use; permit non-owner-occupied short-term rentals to be subject to a conditional use permit or variance; permit regulation of short-term rentals in certain circumstances if enforcement is in the same manner as other properties; allow planning unit to require permitting for the operation of short-term rentals and enumerate the contents of a permit application, procedures for application, revocation of a permit, benefits of permit, and penalties for operating without a permit when planning unit has adopted a permitting ordinance; state that the Act shall not be construed to affect regulations of a homeowner's association or other similar property owner association; state that any ordinance that conflicts with provisions of the Act is unenforceable; provide that the Act may be cited as the Kentucky Short-Term Rental Regulation Act.

Current Status: 2/28/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB234.html>

SB284

ACQUISITION AND OWNERSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY BY A FOREIGN PRINCIPAL (WISE, M) AN ACT relating to the acquisition and ownership of real property by a foreign principal.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 381 to define terms; prohibit a foreign principal from acquiring or owning agricultural land; require a foreign principal that owns or acquires agricultural land before the effective date of this Act to register the ownership with the Department of Agriculture; require a purchaser of agricultural land to file an affidavit with the Department of Agriculture attesting that the purchaser is not a foreign principal; authorize the Department of Agriculture to promulgate regulations; prohibit a foreign principal from acquiring or owning real property on or within 10 miles of a military installation; require a foreign principal that owns or acquires real property on or within 10 miles of a military installation before the effective date of this Act, or that owns real property as authorized to register the ownership with the Cabinet for Economic Development; require a purchaser of real property located on or within 10 miles of a military installation to file an affidavit with the Cabinet for Economic Development attesting that the purchaser is not a foreign principal; authorize the Cabinet for Economic Development to promulgate regulations; authorize the Kentucky Real Estate Commission to establish regulations related to the affidavits required under this Act; establish procedures for the forfeiture of real property owned or acquired in violation of this Act; establish penalties for violations; amend KRS 381.320 to conform.

Current Status: 2/28/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Agriculture (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB284.html>

SB309 **CONTRACTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF REAL ESTATE** (ELKINS, G) AN ACT relating to contracts for the improvement of real estate.

Amend KRS 371.160 to increase the threshold for the creation of escrow accounts for real estate improvement contracts from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000.

Current Status: 2/29/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB309.html>

SB368 **SHORT-TERM RENTALS** (WILLIAMS, G) AN ACT relating to short-term rentals.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 198B to define; require short-term rental platforms to prompt users listing properties through their platforms with information regarding R-1 residential occupancies and a box to check regarding whether the property is an R-1 residential occupancy; require short-term rental platforms to store information regarding properties listed as R-1 residential occupancies and to provide email notifications to the person listing the property and the Department for Housing, Buildings and Construction regarding the property; require the Department for Housing, Buildings and Construction to provide short-term rental platforms with information regarding R-1 residential occupancies and allow the Department to promulgate regulations to.

Current Status: 3/13/2024 - received in House

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB368.html>

SB375 **PROPERTY** (YATES, D) AN ACT relating to property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 381 to define "short-term rental"; provide that use of the terms "single-family residence" and "commercial use" in any deed restrictions and other covenants on use of land shall not be construed to restrict an owner from renting out the property as a short-term rental.

Current Status: 3/1/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Judiciary (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SB375.html>

SJR138 **HOMESTEADING EXEMPTION TASK FORCE** (HARPER ANGEL, D) A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the establishment of the Homestead Exemption Task Force.

Direct the creation of the Homestead Exemption Task Force to study the expansion of the homestead exemption; outline task force duties and members; require the task force to meet monthly during the 2024 Interim and to submit findings and recommendations to the Legislative Research Commission by December 1, 2024; require the executive branch to assist the task force.

Current Status: 2/12/2024 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Appropriations & Revenue (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/24RS/SJR138.html>