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HB1 **INCOME TAX RATE** (PETRIE, J) AN ACT relating to the individual income tax rate.

Amend KRS 141.020 to reduce the individual income tax rate from 4% to 3.5% for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

Current Status: 1/10/2025 - floor amendment (1) filed

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB1.html>

HB18 **PLANNING AND ZONING** (HODGSON, J) AN ACT relating to planning and zoning.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 that requires certain development projects in zones that have traditionally been reserved for single-family homes to be treated as amendments to a zoning map and to meet the procedural requirements for approval set out in KRS Chapter 100; create a new section of KRS Chapter 383 that prohibits property owner's from leasing accessory dwelling units or multi-family housing units in zones that have traditionally been reserved for single-family homes unless the property owner primarily resides on the lot.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB18.html>

HB27 **PLANNED COMMUNITIES** (OSBORNE, D) AN ACT relating to planned communities.

Amend KRS 381.800 to establish that the provisions apply to all planned communities and any provision in an existing document to the contrary is void.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB27.html>

HB29 **STATE ELECTRICAL STANDARDS FOR BUILDINGS** (LEWIS, D) AN ACT relating to state electrical standards for buildings.

Amend KRS 227.480 to expand the group of entities whose model codes may be used as a source or basis for the standards required for electrical system construction, repair, and inspection as promulgated in the Uniform State Building Code; amend KRS 198B.050, 227.450, 227.489, 227.810, and 227A.010 to conform.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB29.html>

HB31 **WEIGHT LIMITS ON STATE ROADS** (HODGSON, J) AN ACT relating to weight limits on state roads.

Amend KRS 189.2226, regarding overweight allowances for hauling of building materials for homes, to require any builder of 10 or more homes in a one mile radius to apply for a permit before the person may operate under the exemptions; require all persons applying for a permit issued under this section to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Transportation Cabinet; allow the Transportation Cabinet to require a bond as part of the

cooperative agreement; require funds collected under a cooperative agreement to be used for maintenance of state roads covered under the cooperative agreement.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB31.html>

HB52 **PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION** (BANTA, K) AN ACT relating to the property tax homestead exemption.

Amend KRS 132.810 to increase the frequency of the property tax homestead exemption cost of living adjustment to annually instead of biennially.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB52.html>

HB58 **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: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB58.html>

HB87 **EMPLOYMENT** (CALLAWAY, E) AN ACT relating to employment.

Create new sections of KRS Chapter 335B.010 to 335B.070 to require hiring or licensing authorities to establish an application process that gives persons convicted of a crime an opportunity to obtain a determination about whether the crime will disqualify the individual from a position of public employment or occupational license before pursuing training; require hiring or licensing authorities to formulate policies and procedures for the application process by promulgating regulations no later than January 1, 2026; and provide an annual report to the Legislative Research Commission by November 1, 2026; amend KRS 335B.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; 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.

Current Status: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB87.html>

HB94 **NEW SECTION OF KENTUCKY CONSTITUTION RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION** (WILLIAMS, W) AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

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; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and

notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; 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: 1/7/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB94.html>

HB103 **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, prohibit disqualifying individuals from pursuing a professional license solely due to a finding that the applicant lacks good character, 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; amend KRS 335B.030 to require that before a hiring or licensing authority 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 pose 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; require that upon a hiring or licensing authority denying 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 and the reasons the offense was determined to directly relate to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation and pose a reasonable threat to public safety; create new sections of KRS Chapter 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, 2026.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB103.html>

HB109 **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: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB109.html>

HB114 **LAND OWNER LIABILITY** (TRUETT, T) AN ACT relating to landowner liability for recreational use permission.

Amend KRS 150.645, relating to landowner liability, to provide that an owner, lessee, or occupant of premises who gives permission to another person to rock climb, boulder, or rappel on the premises shall not be liable for any injury to any person or property caused by the negligent acts of any person to whom permission is granted except for willful and malicious failure on behalf of the owner, lessee, or occupant; amend KRS 411.190, relating

to obligations of owner to persons using land for recreation, to include rocks, boulders, and cliffs in the definition of "land" and rock climbing, bouldering, and rappelling in the definition of "recreational purpose."

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB114.html>

HB133 **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: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB133.html>

HB134 **PROPOSE NEW SECTION OF KY CONSTITUTION RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION** (BAUMAN, J) AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

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; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; 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: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB134.html>

HB142 **REAL PROPERTY RIGHTS** (PROCTOR, M) AN ACT relating to real property rights.

Amend KRS 511.010 and 512.010 to define "squatter"; amend KRS 511.090 to allow a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request a peace officer to immediately remove any squatter occupying a dwelling or commercial building under certain circumstances; provide criminal and civil immunity to peace officers acting in good faith; amend KRS 512.020 and 512.030 to specifically include damage to residential or commercial property caused by squatters in the offense of criminal mischief; create a new section of KRS Chapter 514 to establish the offense of fraudulent sale or lease of real property.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB142.html>

HB158 **PROPOSE NEW SECTION OF KY CONSTITUTION RELATING TO PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION** (WHITE, R) AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to property exempt from taxation.

Propose to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky to exempt from taxation a portion of the assessed value of real property maintained as the permanent residence of an owner who is a veteran or first responder; require an owner's disability status to meet

the same disability requirements under Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky; allow real property maintained as the permanent residence of the surviving spouse of a veteran or first responder to receive an exemption based on the qualifiers of the veteran or first responder prior to his or her death; allow the General Assembly to set qualification requirements by law; prohibit a property from receiving more than one exemption under this new section of the Constitution of Kentucky; allow the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky; provide that the exemptions supersede contrary provisions of Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; apply the exemptions to property assessed on or after January 1, 2027; provide ballot language; submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB158.html>

HB159 **COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAX BILLS** (IMES, M) AN ACT relating to the collection of delinquent tax bills.

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Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB159.html>

HB160 **MANUFACTURED HOUSING** (WITTEN, S) AN ACT relating to manufactured housing.

Amend KRS 100.348 to prohibit a local government from adopting or enforcing zoning regulations that treat manufactured homes differently from single-family homes; allow only regulation of certain architectural features of manufactured homes and require that those same standards be applied to single family homes; permit placement of manufactured home with smaller dimensions if a larger manufactured home could not be situated on the lot; remove language regarding legislative purpose of statute; add noncodified statement of the intent of the General Assembly.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB160.html>

HB173 **RENTAL PROPERTIES** (DOTSON, R) AN ACT relating to rental properties.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 preempting local governments from adopting or enforcing ordinances that create a registry of rental properties for enumerated reasons.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB173.html>

HB183 **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: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB183.html>

HB195 **TAX INCENTIVES FOR FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS** (WITTEN, S) AN ACT relating to tax incentives for first-time home buyers.

Create a new section of 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, 2026, but before January 1, 2036; 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: 1/10/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB195.html>

HB198 **AMEND SECTION 170 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY 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: 1/10/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB198.html>

HB200 **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: 1/10/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/HB200.html>

SB59 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING** (HIGDON, J) AN ACT relating to affordable housing.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to allow religious institutions to develop affordable housing without submission to review by a planning unit if the development is approved by a local government.

Current Status: 1/10/2025 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Economic Development, Tourism, & Labor (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/SB59.html>

SB61 **SWIMMING POOLS** (RICHARDSON, C) AN ACT relating to swimming pools.

Amend KRS 211.203 to exempt pools that share a plat with a single-family residence that are rented to guests by the owner of the residence from regulation as public pools.

Current Status: 1/10/2025 - (S) Referred to Committee Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/SB61.html>

SB67 **PROPOSING NEW SECTION OF THE 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 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 and contiguous real property that is assessed after the later of the year the homeowner turned 65 or the year the homeowner purchased the property; require the exemption to be in addition to the exemption provided in Section 170 of the Constitution of Kentucky and notwithstanding Sections 171, 172, and 174 of the Constitution of Kentucky; 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: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/SB67.html>

SB70

HEIRS PROPERTY (THOMAS, R) AN ACT relating to heirs property.

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.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/SB70.html>

SB76

CONTRACTS FOR THE IMPROVMENT 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; amend KRS 371.405 to prohibit the waiver by contract of any provision of KRS 371.160.

Current Status: 1/10/2025 - Introduced

State Bill Page: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/25RS/SB76.html>