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Senate Bills

[SB2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/AA.pdf) (BR437) - [J. Bowen](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S008.htm), [C. Girdler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S015.htm), [P. Hornback](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S020.htm), [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm), [D. Seum](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S038.htm), [D. Thayer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S017.htm), [W. Westerfield](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S003.htm), [M. Wilson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S032.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement.
     Amend KRS 21.540 to require the Legislators' Retirement Plan and Judicial Retirement Plan to follow the provisions of KRS Chapters 45, 45A, 56, and 57 regarding procurement of services, goods, and property; provide that no funds of the Legislators' Retirement Plan or Judicial Retirement Plan shall be used to pay placement agents; amend KRS 61.645 to require Senate confirmation of, and modify the minimum requirements for, gubernatorial appointees to the Kentucky Retirement Systems board of trustees and for the executive director; require the Kentucky Retirement Systems to follow the provisions of KRS Chapters 45, 45A, 56, and 57 regarding budgeting and the procurement of services, goods, and property; require the Kentucky Retirement Systems to disclose on its Web site and upon request investment fees in addition to investment holdings and commissions; require the Kentucky Retirement Systems to disclose on its Web site and upon request all contracts and offering documents for services, goods, or property purchased or utilized by the systems; provide that no funds of the Kentucky Retirement Systems shall be used to pay placement agents; amend KRS 61.650 to provide that the Kentucky Retirement Systems board, staff, and investment advisors shall adhere to the CFA Institute's codes of conduct; amend KRS 161.250 to increase by six the number of trustees on the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System board of trustees, two of whom shall have investment experience, to be appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation; require Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System to disclose on its Web site and upon request investment fees in addition to investment holdings and commissions; require the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System to disclose on its Web site and upon request all contracts and offering documents for services, goods, or property purchased or utilized by the systems; amend KRS 161.340 to require the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System to follow the provisions of KRS Chapters 45, 45A, 56, and 57 regarding budgeting and the procurement of services, goods, and property; amend KRS 161.430 to provide that the Kentucky Teachers'

Retirement System's board, staff, and investment advisors shall adhere to the CFA Institute's codes of conduct; provide that no funds of the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System shall be used to pay placement agents; provide that the amendments in the Act requiring the state-administered retirement systems to be subject to state procurement laws and banning the use of system assets to pay placement agents shall apply to contracts established or renewed on or after July 1, 2016; provide that amendments in the Act requiring Senate confirmation and modifying the requirements for gubernatorial appointments to the Kentucky Retirement Systems' board shall apply to appointments or reappointments made on or after the effective date of the Act; provide that amendments requiring Senate confirmation of executive director and executive secretary shall apply to appointments or employments after the effective date of the Act; provide a transition schedule of appointments of new trustees to the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System board.

 [SB2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

 [SCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/SCS1.pdf)[/AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/SCS1AA.pdf) - Amends KRS 21.540 to require the Judicial Form Retirement System, who administers the Legislators' Retirement Plan and the Judicial Retirement Plan, to post descriptive and financial information to the system's website; amend KRS 61.645 to specify that investment fee and commission reporting requirements for KRS shall include profit sharing, carried interest, and partnership incentives; provides that KRS may not have to disclose contracts on a website if disclosure would result in competitive disadvantage but requires those contracts to be released to the trustees, State Auditor, and the LRC Govt. Contract Review Committee; makes technical amendments; amends KRS 161.250 to specify that investment fee and commission reporting requirements for KTRS shall include profit sharing, carried interest, and partnership incentives; provides that KTRS may not have to disclose contracts on a website if disclosure would result in competitive disadvantage but requires those contracts to be released to the trustees, State Auditor, and the LRC Govt. Contract Review Committee; declare an EMERGENCY.

     [SCA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/SCA1.pdf)( J. Bowen ) - Make title amendment.
     [SFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/SFA1.pdf)( J. Higdon ) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 61.645 to require employees of Kentucky Retirement Systems to be covered by the state personnel system established pursuant to KRS 18A.005 to 18A.204.
     [SFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB2/SFA2.pdf)( J. Higdon ) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 7A.220 to add six additional legislative members to the Public Pension Oversight Board.

     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Jan 27, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute and committee title amendment
     Jan 28, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 01, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 2; floor amendments (1), (2) filed to Committee Substitute
     Feb 02, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0 with Committee Substitute (1), committee amendment (1-title), floor amendments (1), (2)
     Feb 04, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 08, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[SB3](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB3/bill.pdf) (BR1016) - [R. Stivers II](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S025.htm), [R. Alvarado](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S028.htm), [C. Girdler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S015.htm), [P. Hornback](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S020.htm), [W. Schroder](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S024.htm), [D. Seum](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S038.htm), [D. Thayer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S017.htm), [M. Wilson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S032.htm)

     AN ACT relating to contracts.
     Amend KRS 336.130 to prohibit mandatory membership in or financial support of a labor organization as a condition of employment and to name this section the "Kentucky Right to Work Act"; amend KRS 336.180 to define "employer"; amend KRS 336.990 to make a violation of the Act a Class A misdemeanor, award damages, and provide injunctive relief; create new sections of KRS Chapter 336 to exempt existing contracts or agreements and other federal agreements and require the Attorney General to investigate complaints and prosecute those who violate Section 1 of the Act.

     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to Economic Development, Tourism & Labor (S)

[SB33](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB33/bill.pdf)[/FN](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB33/FN.pdf) (BR402) - [M. Wise](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S016.htm), [J. Adams](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S036.htm), [R. Alvarado](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S028.htm), [T. Buford](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S022.htm), [D. Carroll](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S002.htm), [P. Clark](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S037.htm), [C. Embry Jr.](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S006.htm), [S. Humphries](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S001.htm), [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm), [D. Parrett](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S010.htm), [R. Thomas](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S013.htm), [W. Westerfield](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S003.htm)

     AN ACT relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in schools.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to require that students receive CPR training one time while enrolled in grades 7-12.
 [SB33](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB33/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [SCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB33/SCS1.pdf) - Retain original provisions, except require public high schools to provide CPR training while students are enrolled in a health, physical education, or Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps course that meets the physical education graduation requirement.

Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to Health & Welfare (S)
     Jan 13, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute
     Jan 14, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Jan 27, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, January 28
     Jan 28, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 32-6 with Committee Substitute (1); received in House
     Feb 01, 2016 - to Education (H)

[SB43](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB43/bill.pdf)[/FN](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB43/FN.pdf) (BR473) - [T. Buford](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S022.htm), [C. Embry Jr.](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S006.htm)

     AN ACT relating to emergency medical services.
     Amend KRS 61.315 to make the survivors of emergency medical services providers who are killed in the line of duty on or after July 1, 2014, eligible for the state lump-sum death benefit; designate as the John Mackey Memorial Act.

[SB43](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB43/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [SCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB43/SCS1.pdf) - Retain original provisions except amend the defined term "emergency medical services provider" to instead read as "emergency medical services personnel" and to clarify that it applies to individuals employed directly by, or volunteering directly for, a local government or certain ambulance and fire districts for the purposes of providing emergency medical services; amend the retroactive application date to deaths occurring on or after November 1, 2015; APPROPRIATION.
     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)
     Feb 19, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
     Feb 22, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 23, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 24, 2016
     Feb 24, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0 with Committee Substitute (1)
     Feb 25, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 29, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Mar 04, 2016 - posted in committee

[SB45](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB45/bill.pdf) (BR824) - [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm), [J. Bowen](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S008.htm), [D. Carroll](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S002.htm), [P. Clark](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S037.htm), [C. Embry Jr.](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S006.htm), [C. Girdler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S015.htm), [M. Wilson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S032.htm), [M. Wise](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S016.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the disclosure of public retirement information and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 61.661, 161.585, and 21.540 to require the disclosure, upon request, of the retirement benefit information of current and former members of the General Assembly, including their name, status, and projected or actual retirement benefit payments and benefits of the same from Kentucky Retirement Systems, Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, Legislators' Retirement Plan, and the Judicial Retirement Plan.

     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Jan 13, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Jan 14, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Jan 15, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, January 19
     Jan 19, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0; received in House

     Jan 25, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[SB46](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB46/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB46/LM.pdf) (BR267) - [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm), [J. Bowen](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S008.htm), [D. Carroll](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S002.htm)

     AN ACT relating to local government pension plans.
     Amend KRS 65.156 to allow local government retirement systems created pursuant to KRS 67A.320, 67A.340, 67A.360 to 67A.690, 79.080, 90.400, 90.410, 95.290, 95.520 to 95.620, 95.621 to 95.629, 95.767 to 95.784, 95.851 to 95.884, or KRS Chapter 96 to perform an actuarial valuation once every 5 years instead of every 3 if the system or fund has less than 6 active and retired members; make technical changes; amend KRS 67A.320 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund covered by this section, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the urban-county government any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; provide that elected members of the fund's board may also be retirees; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 90.400 and 90.410 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund covered by this section, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 95.290, 95.530, 95.622, and 95.869 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund covered by this section, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; provide that if there are fewer than 6 active and retired members of the fund, the board shall be composed of the mayor, city treasurer or chief financial officer, and employees from the city police or fire department appointed by the mayor; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 95.761 and 95.767 provide that if there are fewer than 6 active and retired members of the fund, the board shall be composed of the mayor, city treasurer or chief financial officer, and employees and members of the city legislative body appointed by the mayor; amend KRS 95.783 and 96.180 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund covered by this section, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; amend KRS 67A.655, 78.531, 95.010, 95.580, 95.590, 95.610, 95.620, 95.628, 95.762, 95.765, 95.768, 95.769, 95.771, 95.772, 95.777, 95.778, 95.779, 95.859, 95.868, 95.872, 95.875, 95.890, and 427.125 to make technical and conforming amendments; repeal 95.785.
 [SB46](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB46/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [SCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB46/SCS1.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB46/SCS1LM.pdf) - Retain original provisions except to require a majority vote rather than unanimous vote of the city legislative body to begin the distribution process of residual assets of a closed locally administered pension fund that has paid all benefits owed; amend KRS 67A.320 to provide that any residual assets that would be distributed from the Employees' Pension Fund from an urban-county government shall be deposited into the urban-county government's Policemen's and Firefighter's Retirement Fund as a supplemental contribution.

    Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Jan 20, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
     Jan 21, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Jan 25, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, January 26
     Jan 26, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 35-0 with Committee Substitute (1)
     Jan 27, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 01, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[SB71](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB71/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB71/LM.pdf) (BR420) - [R. Alvarado](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S028.htm), [D. Thayer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S017.htm), [J. Schickel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S011.htm)

     AN ACT relating to taxes and fees imposed by special purpose governmental entities.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 65A to require proposed increases in ad avalorem taxes and certain fees, and the levy of new ad valorem taxes or fees by special purpose governmental entities to be submitted to the legislative body of the county or city where the special purpose governmental entity is located for review; amend KRS 132.023 to conform; repeal KRS 65A.100; EFFECTIVE January 1, 2017.

     Feb 09, 2016 - taken from the Orders of the Day; recommitted to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB73](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB73/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB73/AA.pdf) (BR821) - [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Legislators' Retirement Plan.
     Amend KRS 6.525 to allow members contributing to the Legislators' Retirement Plan prior to January 1, 2014, to make a one-time election to have their benefits from the Legislators' Retirement Plan be based solely on their legislative salary and any salary earned in another state-administered retirement system prior to January 1, 2014.

    Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 07, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Feb 03, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 04, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 08, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 9
     Feb 09, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0
     Feb 10, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 11, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[SB87](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB87/bill.pdf) (BR1116) - [J. Adams](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S036.htm), [M. McGarvey](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S019.htm), [P. Clark](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S037.htm), [J. Higdon](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S014.htm), [D. Seum](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S038.htm)

     AN ACT relating to work periods within consolidated local governments and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 337.285 to allow consolidated local governments and collective bargaining units to agree to an 80-hour work period over 14 consecutive days before triggering a rate of pay one and one-half times a peace officer's hourly wage; EMERGENCY.

     Jan 07, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 12, 2016 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)
     Jan 28, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Jan 29, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 01, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 2
     Feb 02, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0
     Feb 04, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 08, 2016 - to Local Government (H)

[SB94](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB94/bill.pdf) (BR828) - [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm), [W. Schroder](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S024.htm)

     AN ACT relating to prevailing wage.
     Create a new section of KRS 337.505 to 337.550 to allow local governments and special purpose governmental entities to opt out of prevailing wage requirements for public works.

     Jan 13, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 19, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB113](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB113/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB113/AA.pdf) (BR1285) - [J. Bowen](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S008.htm)

     AN ACT relating to legislative recommendations from the Judicial Form Retirement System.
     Amend KRS 6.521, 6.525, 6.577, 21.345, 21.402, 21.405, 21.410, 21.420, and 21.427 to make technical and clerical changes for the Legislators' Retirement Plan and the Judicial Retirement Plan.

     Jan 20, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Jan 25, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Feb 10, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 11, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 16, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Wednesday, February 17, 2016
     Feb 17, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 38-0
     Feb 18, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[SB138](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB138/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB138/LM.pdf) (BR1262) - [M. McGarvey](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S019.htm), [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm)

     AN ACT relating to firefighters.
Now SB195 (see SB 195)

[SB145](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB145/bill.pdf) (BR1479) - [R. Jones II](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S031.htm)

     AN ACT relating to fire departments.
     Amend KRS 65A.010 to exclude fire departments created under KRS Chapter 273 from the definition of a "special purpose governmental entity"; amend KRS 75.430 to remove the requirement that recognnized and certified volunteer fire departments created under KRS Chapter 273 comply with KRS Chapter 65A.

     Feb 02, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 04, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB147](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB147/bill.pdf) (BR866) - [R. Jones II](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S031.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for local elected officials and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 61.637 to allow a mayor or member of a city legislative body who does not have service credit in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) for his or her service to the city, but who is otherwise eligible to retire from any system administered by Kentucky Retirement Systems due to other employment, to retire and draw benefits from the systems without resigning from his or her position as mayor or member of the city legislative body; amend KRS 78.540 to provide that a mayor or member of a city legislative body who is required to participate in CERS due to other covered employment, or because of failure to make an election to not participate as provided by this section, may elect to not participate in CERS for service as mayor or as a member of the city legislative body; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 02, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 04, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB156](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB156/bill.pdf) (BR1564) - [C. Girdler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program.
     Amend KRS 15.410, 15.420, 15.440, 15.450, 15.460, 15.470, 15.480, 15.490, and 15.500 to include full-time conservation officers appointed by the commissioner of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation program and fund; amend KRS 15.340 to conform.

     Feb 05, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 08, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB172](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB172/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB172/AA.pdf) (BR1397) - [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement benefit election.
     Create a new section of KRS 21.345 to 21.580 permitting a member of the Legislators' Retirement Plan or the Judicial Form Retirement System to opt out of the traditional defined benefit plan and elect to participate in the hybrid cash balance plan; provide that, on the member's effective election date, the value of the member's accumulated contributions, less any interest, be deposited into the member's hybrid cash balance account and be considered part of the member's accumulated account balance; provide that on the member's effective election date, an employer pay credit shall be applied to the member's accumulated account balance for each contributing month prior to the effective election date; require the Judicial Form Retirement System to provide the electing member with information detailing the consequences of the member's election; provide that a member shall not be eligible to make an election until a letter ruling by the IRS; make benefit election under this section irrevocable; amend KRS 21.402 to conform; create a new section of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 permitting a member of the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the County Employees Retirement System, or the State Police Retirement System to opt out of the traditional defined benefit plan and elect to participate in the hybrid cash balance plan; provide that, on the member's effective election date, the value of the member's accumulated contributions, less any interest, be deposited into the member's hybrid cash balance account and be considered part of the member's accumulated account balance; provide that on the member's effective election date, an employer pay credit shall be applied to the member's accumulated account balance for each contributing month prior to the effective election date; require the Kentucky Retirement Systems to provide the electing member with information detailing the consequences of the member's election; provide that a member shall not be eligible to make an election until a letter ruling by the IRS; make benefit election under this section irrevocable; amend KRS 61.597 and 16.583 to conform; make technical and conforming amendments to KRS 6.525, 16.645, and 78.545.

     Feb 10, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 12, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB189](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB189/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB189/AA.pdf) (BR1580) - [W. Schroder](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S024.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retiree beneficiary payments in the Kentucky Retirement Systems.
     Amend KRS 61.542 to allow a retiring member of Kentucky Retirement Systems to designate up to four individuals as beneficiary upon retirement; allow a retired member to change beneficiary designations in the event of the beneficiary's death or upon marriage or remarriage if the member files the proper forms within 90 days of death, marriage, or remarriage; require recalculation of benefit upon change in beneficiary to ensure actuarial equivalence; create exceptions; amend KRS 61.635 to offer a multiple beneficiaries survivorship option to provide lifetime benefits for to up to four beneficiaries based upon percentages assigned by the member at retirement; provide that a lifetime benefit may be provided to a trust under the single beneficiary or multiple beneficiaries survivorship option and provide that the age of trust beneficiaries shall be used to determine actuarial equivalence; amend KRS 61.630 to conform; amend KRS 61.640 and 16.578 to provide that for death prior to retirement, a trust naming a single beneficiary may select the single beneficiary survivorship option; provide that multiple beneficiaries may select the multiple beneficiary survivorship option.

     Feb 17, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 19, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB195](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB195/bill.pdf)[/FN](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB195/FN.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB195/LM.pdf) (BR1977) - [A. Robinson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S021.htm), [C. McDaniel](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S023.htm)

     AN ACT relating to firefighters and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 61.315 to create a presumption of a death in the line of duty and eligibility for a lump sum death benefit for firefighters who obtain certain types of cancer; specify that the rebuttable presumption exists if an firefighter is employed for five years or more and has not used tobacco products for ten years; specify that provisions do not apply to claims filed under KRS Chapter 342; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 18, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 22, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)
     Feb 23, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 24, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Thursday, Fefruary 25, 2016
     Feb 25, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 37-0
     Feb 26, 2016 - received in House
     Feb 29, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Mar 04, 2016 - posted in committee

[SB197](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB197/bill.pdf) (BR1891) - [R. Jones II](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S031.htm)

     AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable income tax credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit and to make technical corrections.

     Feb 18, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 22, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB199](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB199/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB199/LM.pdf) (BR1947) - [D. Carroll](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S002.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the law enforcement and firefighters foundation programs and making an appropriation therefor.
     Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 15 and KRS 95A.250, relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund and the Firefighters Foundation Program fund, to increase the annual supplement payment to local governments for qualifying law enforcement officers and firefighters from $3,000 to $4,000 beginning July 1, 2017; provide a reimbursement to local governments to fully reimburse for required contributions to the employee pension system resulting from the supplement increase; provide partial compensation for local government administrative expenses; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the annual allocation to volunteer fire departments from the Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education from $8,250 to $11,000 beginning July 1, 2017.

   Feb 18, 2016 - introduced in Senate
  Feb 22, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (S)

[SB203](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB203/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB203/AA.pdf) (BR1579) - [M. McGarvey](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S019.htm), [P. Hornback](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S020.htm)

     AN ACT relating to death in the line of duty benefits and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 16.601 to provide that the beneficiaries of a deceased member awaiting a decision regarding death as a result of an act in the line of duty shall still be eligible to receive death benefits under KRS 16.578 and if a final determination results in a finding of eligibility for in the line of duty benefits, then the benefits shall be recalculated; amend KRS 61.621 to provide that a spouse of a deceased member awaiting a decision regarding whether the death was as the result of a duty-related injury shall still be eligible to receive death benefits under KRS 61.640, and if a final determination results in a finding of eligibility for duty-related benefits, then the benefits shall be recalculated; make provisions retroactive to any matter pending before the Kentucky Retirement Systems or on appeal upon passage; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 19, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 22, 2016 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

[SB209](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB209/bill.pdf) (BR1975) - [J. Bowen](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S008.htm)

     AN ACT relating to agencies that discontinue participation in Kentucky Retirement Systems.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to provide that an employer ceasing participation in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or the County Employees Retirement System as provided by KRS 61.522 that elects to provide an alternative retirement plan with mandatory employee contributions may "pick-up" the employee contributions in the alternative retirement plan so that the contributions will be made on a tax-deferred basis; amend KRS 141.010 to conform.

     Feb 22, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 24, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Mar 02, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Mar 03, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules

[SB227](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB227/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB227/LM.pdf) (BR1967) - [D. Carroll](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S002.htm)

     AN ACT relating to public safety personnel training.
     Amend KRS 15.404 to set the basic training of peace officers as that found in KRS 15.440; amend KRS 15.440 to set the local government qualifications for participating in the KLEFP fund at 928 hours as set by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council and to require any change of those hours to be done by administrative regulation, and allow the council to approve schools that may require more hours of education; amend KRS 70.263, relating to deputy sheriff merit boards, to conform to amended hour requirement; amend KRS 95.955, relating to municipal police and auxiliary police, to conform to the amended hour requirement; amend KRS 15.530, relating to telecommunicators, to set the required training hours; amend KRS 15.550 to conform to the set number of training hours for the basic course; amend KRS 15.560 to set the required training hours for non-CJIS telecommunicators; amend KRS 15.565 to prohibit the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council from changing the 8 hours of in-service training for telecommunicators; amend KRS 15.590 to allow the council to set the number of hours for training at a different number than that established by statute for non-CJIS telecommunicators and the telecommunications academy; amend KRS 15A.070, relating to Department of Criminal Justice Training powers, to conform to training requirements; amend KRS 95A.230 to set the basic training course at 400 hours and in-service training at 100 hours, but let the commission reduce the number of hours by administrative regulation, and allow a different number of hours to be set at a school recognized by the commission; amend KRS 95A.240 to establish the protocols for the commission relative to setting the number of hours for basic and in-service training, as well as the requirement for volunteer firefighters and departments under KRS 95A.262; amend KRS 95A.262 to conform with training requirement.

     Feb 24, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Feb 26, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[SB232](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB232/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB232/LM.pdf) (BR1744) - [J. Adams](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S036.htm)

     AN ACT relating to fire protection and volunteer fire department districts in consolidated local governments.
    Amend KRS 75.040 to allow fire protection districts and volunteer fire department districts within a consolidated local government to establish a property tax rate greater than $0.10 per $100 valuation upon majority vote of property holders; establish procedures for vote.

     Feb 25, 2016 - introduced in Senate

[SB249](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB249/bill.pdf) (BR2061) - [A. Robinson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/S021.htm)

     AN ACT relating to fire department reporting standards.
     Amend KRS 65A.010 to exclude certain fire departments that receive or expend less than $100,000 from the definition of a special purpose governmental entity; amend KRS 75.430 to set reporting requirements for certain recognized and certified fire departments; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to establish administrative and fiscal reporting requirements for fire departments as defined by the section; require the fire commission to review the reports and communicate deficiencies to the affected fire department; provide penalties for noncompliance; allow the fire commission to report irregularities to appropriate authorities and to prescribe corrective actions to bring certain fire departments into compliance; affirm that the records collected by the commission are public records; require the commission to promulgate administrative regulations.

     Feb 29, 2016 - introduced in Senate
     Mar 02, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)
     Mar 04, 2016 - reassigned to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

House Bills

[HB1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB1/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB1/AA.pdf) (BR1015) - [G. Stumbo](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H095.htm), [L. Belcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H049.htm), [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm), [J. Jenkins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H044.htm), [M. Marzian](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H034.htm), [R. Meyer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H039.htm), [C. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H028.htm), [R. Smart](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H081.htm), [D. Watkins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H011.htm), [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to funding for the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 56.8605 to redefine "financing agreement" and "funding notes" to include financing or refinancing of pension obligations owed to Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System under KRS 161.550(1)(b); amend KRS 56.868 to authorize the Kentucky Asset/Liability Commission to issue funding notes to finance or refinance pension fund obligations owed to Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System under KRS 161.550(1)(b); authorize the Kentucky Asset/Liability Commission to issue funding notes in an amount not to exceed $3,300,000,000 in fiscal year 2016-2017; amend KRS 161.550 to provide that the state shall pay the additional amount needed to fund the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System pension fund on an actuarially sound basis beginning on July 1, 2015, and continuing for each year thereafter; provide that any funds used to finance statutory benefit improvements under KRS 161.553 that are repurposed and utilized to fund debt service on funding notes authorized under Sections 1 to 3 of this Act shall be included in the additional state appropriation required and to adjust the cost schedules of providing statutory benefit improvements for annuitants; establish intent of General Assembly to phase-into the full actuarially required contribution rate for the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System pension fund with direct state appropriations on a pro-rata basis from fiscal year 2016-2017 to fiscal year 2024-2025 and to utilize proceeds from funding notes authorized by Sections 1 to 3 of this Act to provide the additional funding needed to pay the full actuarially required contribution to the pension fund during the phase-in schedule and to pay the actuarially required contribution rate in fiscal year 2015-2016; establish non-codified language to state it is the intent of the General Assembly for biennial budgets occurring on or after July 1, 2016, to use both reductions in debt service due to previously issued bonds for the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System and funding for past statutory benefit improvements under subsections (1) and (2) of Section 5 of this Act as the debt service for funding notes issued on or after July 1, 2016, as authorized by Sections 1, 2, and 3 of this Act.

     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 07, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)
     Feb 29, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB37](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB37/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB37/AA.pdf) (BR7) - [B. Montell](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H058.htm), [K. Bratcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H029.htm), [J. Carney](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H051.htm), [R. Crimm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H033.htm), [J. DeCesare](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H017.htm), [M. Dossett](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H009.htm), [J. Fischer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H068.htm), [D. Hale](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H074.htm), [R. Heath](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H002.htm), [J. Hoover](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H083.htm), [K. Imes](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H005.htm), [T. Kerr](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H064.htm), [A. Koenig](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H069.htm), [S. Lee](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H045.htm), [B. Linder](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H061.htm), [D. Meade](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H080.htm) , [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm), [S. Miles](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H007.htm), [D. Osborne](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H059.htm), [B. Rowland](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H021.htm), [S. Santoro](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H060.htm), [J. Shell](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H071.htm), [T. Turner](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H085.htm), [K. Upchurch](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H052.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Health Insurance Trust Fund and making an appropriation therefor.
     Amend KRS 18A.2254 to specify how surplus funds from a prior plan year of the Public Employee Health Insurance Program shall be allocated.

     Aug 28, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)
     Feb 02, 2016 - reassigned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB54](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB54/bill.pdf) (BR91) - [D. Schamore](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H010.htm), [L. Belcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H049.htm), [R. Bunch](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H082.htm), [L. Clark](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H046.htm), [D. Hale](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H074.htm), [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm), [R. Meyer](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H039.htm), [C. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H028.htm), [B. Rowland](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H021.htm), [J. Tipton](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H053.htm), [J. York](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H096.htm)

     AN ACT relating to emergency medical services.
     Amend KRS 61.315 and 164.2841 to make the survivors of emergency medical services providers and rescue squad members who are killed in the line of duty eligible for the state lump-sum death benefit and exemption of matriculation or tuition fees; amend KRS 164.2842 to include the spouse or child of a permanently and totally disabled emergency medical services provider in the exemption of matriculation or tuition fees.
 [HB54](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB54/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB54/HCS1.pdf) - Retain original provisions of bill, but extend benefits to the affected individuals having perished in the line of duty on or after June 30, 2015, and add short title.
     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB54/HFA1.pdf)( A. Koenig ) - Keep original provisions; add to those eligible to receive in the line of duty death benefits under KRS 61.315 any member of a local emergency management agency created under KRS 39B.010; require the Division of Emergency management to promulgate administrative regulations for awarding in the line of duty death benefits; define "emergency management personnel."
     [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB54/HFA2.pdf)( A. Koenig ) - Make title amendment.

     Sep 29, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to Local Government (H)
     Jan 19, 2016 - posting waived
     Jan 27, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
     Jan 28, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; floor amendment (1) filed to Committee Substitute, floor amendment (2-title) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, January 29
     Jan 29, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0 with Committee Substitutes (1) floor amendments (1) and (2-title)
     Feb 01, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 03, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB71](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB71/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB71/AA.pdf) (BR63) - [D. Butler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H038.htm), [R. Crimm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H033.htm)

     AN ACT relating to reemployment of retired police officers.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 95 to define "police officer" and "city"; permit cities to employ retired police officers if the officer: participated in the Law Enforcement Foundation Program or retired as a commissioned State Police officer, retired with at least 20 years of service credit with no administrative charges pending, and met the separation of employment requirements so that retirement benefits from Kentucky Retirement Systems were not voided; specify that retired police officers employed by a city shall continue to receive the benefits they were eligible to receive upon retirement but shall not accrue any additional retirement or health benefits during reemployment; preclude retirement and any health contributions from being paid by the city to Kentucky Retirement Systems or the Kentucky Employees Health Plan on a retired officer who is reemployed under the provisions of this section; permit individuals employed under this section to be employed for a term not to exceed one year which may be renewed at the discretion and need of the city; amend KRS 61.637 to conform.

     Oct 13, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)

[HB89](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB89/bill.pdf) (BR251) - [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm), [T. Riner](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H041.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the public employee health insurance trust fund.
     Amend KRS 18A.2254 to prohibit any fund transfers from the public employee health insurance trust fund to the general fund, and direct that as part of the annual premium-setting process any surplus determined to exist in the balance for a prior plan year shall be transferred to the plan year for which premiums are being set so as to reduce the cost of employee premiums in that year to the extent prudently and reasonably possible.

     Nov 16, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)
     Feb 02, 2016 - reassigned to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB137](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB137/bill.pdf)[/CI](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB137/CI.pdf) (BR890) - [G. Watkins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H003.htm)

     AN ACT relating to criminal attempted murder.
     Amend KRS 439.3401 to make criminal attempt to commit murder of a peace officer or a firefighter an offense for which at least 85 percent of the sentence must be served before probation or parole.

   Dec 11, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to Judiciary (H)
     Feb 22, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 24, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 25, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 29, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 1, 2016
     Mar 01, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 90-0
     Mar 02, 2016 - received in Senate
     Mar 04, 2016 - to Judiciary (S)

[HB149](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB149/bill.pdf) (BR35) - [J. Donohue](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H037.htm), [K. Bratcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H029.htm), [T. Burch](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H030.htm), [D. Butler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H038.htm), [L. Clark](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H046.htm), [R. Crimm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H033.htm), [B. DeWeese](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H048.htm), [D. Horlander](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H040.htm), [J. Jenkins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H044.htm), [M. Marzian](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H034.htm), [R. Meeks](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H042.htm), [C. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H028.htm), [J. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H036.htm), [P. Moffett](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H032.htm), [S. Riggs](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H031.htm), [G. Watkins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H003.htm)

     AN ACT relating to work periods within consolidated local governments and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 337.285 to allow consolidated local governments and collective bargaining units to agree to an 80-hour work period over 14 consecutive days before triggering a rate of pay one and one-half times a peace officer's hourly wage; EMERGENCY.

  Dec 11, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to Local Government (H)
     Jan 08, 2016 - posted in committee
     Jan 20, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Jan 21, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Tuesday, January 26
     Jan 26, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0
     Jan 27, 2016 - received in Senate
     Jan 29, 2016 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Protection (S)

[HB153](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB153/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB153/AA.pdf) (BR33) - [J. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H036.htm), [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm)

     AN ACT relating to volunteer service with an employer participating in Kentucky Retirement Systems.
     Amend KRS 61.510 and 78.510 to provide that creditable compensation shall exclude nominal fees paid to volunteers of a participating agency who begin participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System and the County Employees Retirement System on or after August 1, 2016; define "volunteer" and "nominal fee"; amend KRS 61.637 to provide that retirees of Kentucky Retirement Systems who receive reimbursements of actual expenses or nominal fees for their volunteer services shall not be subject to the required breaks in employment and prohibitions on prearranged agreements prior to retirement if the retired member did not receive creditable compensation prior to retirement from the employer for which they are providing volunteer services, any reimbursements or nominal fees received prior to retirement have not been classified as creditable compensation or used to determine retirement benefits, the retired member has not purchased or received service credit for service with the participating employer for which he or she is providing volunteer services, and the retired member does not become an employee, leased employee, or independent contractor of the employer for which he or she is providing volunteer services for a period of at least 24 months.

    Dec 11, 2015 - Prefiled by the sponsor(s).
     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House; to State Government (H)
     Feb 02, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 11, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Feb 12, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 16, 2016 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 18, 2016
     Feb 18, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0
     Feb 19, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB167](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB167/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB167/LM.pdf) (BR160) - [A. Simpson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H065.htm)

     AN ACT relating to local government pension plans.
    Amend KRS 65.156 to allow local government retirement systems created pursuant to KRS 67A.320, 67A.340, 67A.360 to 67A.690, 79.080, 90.400, 90.410, 95.290, 95.520 to 95.620, 95.621 to 95.629, 95.767 to 95.784, 95.851 to 95.884, or KRS Chapter 96 to perform an actuarial valuation once every 5 years instead of every 3 if the system or fund has less than 6 active and retired members; make technical changes; amend KRS 67A.320 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the urban-county government any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; provide that elected members of the fund's board may also be retirees; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 90.400 and 90.410 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 95.290, 95.530, 95.622, and 95.869 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; provide that if there are fewer than 6 active and retired members of the fund, the board shall be composed of the mayor, city treasurer or chief financial officer, and employees from the city police or fire department appointed by the mayor; make technical and conforming amendments; amend KRS 95.761 and 95.767 provide that if there are fewer than 6 active and retired members of the fund, the board shall be composed of the mayor, city treasurer or chief financial officer, and employees and members of the city legislative body appointed by the mayor; amend KRS 95.783 and 96.180 to provide that once all liabilities have been satisfied to all persons owed benefits from the pension fund, then the board of the fund shall liquidate and distribute to the city any residual assets of the fund and shall provide a report of the actions taken by the fund to liquidate the residual assets; amend KRS 67A.655, 78.531, 95.010, 95.580, 95.590, 95.610, 95.620, 95.628, 95.762, 95.765, 95.768, 95.769, 95.771, 95.772, 95.777, 95.778, 95.779, 95.859, 95.868, 95.872, 95.875, 95.890, and 427.125 to make technical and conforming amendments; repeal 95.785.

     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House State Government (H)
     Jan 07, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB172](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB172/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB172/AA.pdf) (BR487) - [R. Nelson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H087.htm)

     AN ACT relating to survivor benefits in the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System.
    Amend KRS 161.520 to remove marriage as a disqualifying event for a widow or widower that is receiving survivor's benefits from the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System.

[HB172](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB172/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB172/HFA1.pdf)( B. Montell ) - Amend to define "widow or widower" as one who was married to a deceased contributing member for not less than five (5) years.

     Jan 05, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 06, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Jan 26, 2016 - posted in committee
     Jan 28, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar; floor amendment (1) filed
     Jan 29, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 01, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 2
     Feb 02, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 93-0 with floor amendment (1)
     Feb 03, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 05, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB208](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/LM.pdf) (BR494) - [T. McKee](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H078.htm), [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm), [R. Crimm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H033.htm), [S. Riggs](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H031.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Prescribed Fire Program.
     Create new sections of KRS Chapter 149 to establish definitions for "cabinet," "certified prescribed fire boss," "division," "prescribed fire," and "prescribed fire program" and require the Energy and Environment Cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations no later than July 15, 2017, to develop a comprehensive prescribed fire program and a training, education, and experience for certified prescribed fire boss; require approval of a prescribed fire plan by the Division of Forestry prior to a burn; provide liability coverage requirements for the certified prescribed fireboss; require the fire boss to be in conduct of the prescribed fire at all times; establish waiver of liability coverage for prescribed fires conducted by state employees as a part of their employment duties; allow for recovery of public damages from the Board of Claims; declare prescribed fire use as in public interest and not a nuisance to the public; amend KRS 149.400 to exempt prescribed fire from the fire seasons and require prescribed fire use be approved by the Division of Forestry; amend KRS 149.401 to exempt prescribed fire use from local ordinances banning all open burning; amend KRS 149.990 to make conduct of prescribed fire by persons who are not certified and do not meet requirements of the act subject to fine, imprisonment, or both.

[HB208](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HCS1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/HCS1.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/HCS1LM.pdf) - Delete all sections of the bill in its entirety; allow the Division of Forestry to exempt a person certified by the Kentucky Prescribed Fire Council's Burn Boss program from the requirements of KRS Chapter 149 except that prescribe fires shall not be set during local burn bans or red flag warning days; require persons exempted to give notice to the Division of Forestry 24 hours prior to the burn and notice to local landowners and local EMS the day of the burn.
     [HCA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB208/HCA1.pdf)( F. Steele ) - Make title amendment.

     Jan 08, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 11, 2016 - to Natural Resources & Environment (H)
     Feb 02, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 18, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar with Committee Substitute (1) committee amendment (1-title)
     Feb 19, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 22, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for for Tuesday, February 23, 2016
     Feb 23, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 88-3 with Committee Substitute (1) committee amendment (1-title)
     Feb 24, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 26, 2016 - to Natural Resources & Energy (S)

[HB214](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB214/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB214/LM.pdf) (BR961) - [A. Koenig](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H069.htm)

     AN ACT relating to 911 emergency services.
     Amend KRS 65.750 to update existing and define new terms definitions; amend KRS 65.760 to allow local governments to collect 911 fees from telematics service connections, CMRS service connections, and VoIP service connections.

    Jan 11, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 12, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Feb 05, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB215](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB215/bill.pdf) (BR965) - [A. Koenig](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H069.htm)

     AN ACT relating to surcharges on insurance policies.
     Amend KRS 136.392 to remove the adjustment of the surcharge on insurance used to supplement both the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund and the Firefighters Foundation Program fund from the control of the Commissioner of Revenue and allow adjustments to be made only by the General Assembly; RETROACTIVE to July 1, 2016.

   Jan 11, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 12, 2016 - to Banking & Insurance (H)
     Jan 21, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB219](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB219/bill.pdf) (BR1078) - [J. Short](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H092.htm), [J. Bell](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H023.htm), [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm), [W. Stone](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H022.htm)

     AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 to establish a refundable income tax credit for certain volunteer firefighters; declare the purpose of the credit; require annual reporting to the Legislative Research Commission to evaluate the impact of the credit; amend KRS 141.0205 to provide the ordering of the credit and to make technical corrections.

  Jan 11, 2016 - introduced in House
  Jan 12, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB238](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB238/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB238/AA.pdf) (BR848) - [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to public pension plan reporting.
     Amend KRS 6.350 to specify that the actuarial analysis required on retirement legislation shall include the impact on funding levels and unfunded liabilities over time; specify the qualification requirements of the actuary completing the analysis; amend KRS 7A.240 to require the state-administered retirement systems to pay the cost of actuarial services required by amendments to KRS 7A.250; amend KRS 7A.250 to require the Public Pension Oversight Board to retain an actuary to perform an actuarial audit of the state-administered retirement systems at least once every 10 years and to review state-administered retirement system budget requests prior to each budget biennium; amend KRS 21.440, 61.670, and 161.400 to provide that all state-administered retirement systems shall include in their actuarial valuation a description of funding methods utilized or required by state law in the development of the valuation, a description of any changes in actuarial assumptions and methods that have occurred since the last valuation, the actuarially recommended employer contribution rates for the upcoming budget period, a 20-year projection of employer contribution rates, funding levels, and unfunded liabilities, and a sensitivity analysis to evaluate the impact of changes in key assumptions on employer rates, funding levels, and unfunded liabilities; require the systems to conduct an actuarial experience study at least once every 5 years and to perform a 20-year impact of the proposed changes to the systems' employer rates, funding levels, and unfunded liabilities; require the systems to perform a 20-year impact on employer rates, funding levels, and unfunded liabilities for any changes in assumptions, funding methods, retiree health subsidies, or other changes enacted by the board of trustees of the systems that impact system liabilities; require the actuary certifying the results of the annual actuarial valuation and the 5 year experience study to be a fellow of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries or a member of the American Academy of Actuaries; require electronic distribution of actuarial valuations, experience studies, or analysis of changes made by the boards of trustees to the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) and require LRC to distribute information to chairs and committee staff of committees with jurisdiction over the systems; make technical amendments; require completion of the actuarial valuations by November 15 following the close of the fiscal year; amend KRS 48.040 to provide that on or before August 15 prior to a budget session, that the state-administered systems shall prepare a preliminary projection of the actuarially required contribution rates for the upcoming budget biennium and to provide updated values by November 15 of the same year once the actuarial valuation is completed; require submission to the state budget director's office and the LRC and require LRC upon receipt to distribute information to chairs and committee staff of committees with jurisdiction over the systems.

    Jan 13, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 14, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 04, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 11, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Feb 12, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 16, 2016 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 18, 2016
     Feb 18, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 95-0
     Feb 19, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB241](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB241/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB241/AA.pdf) (BR1050) - [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to Kentucky Retirement Systems.

     Jan 13, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 14, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB248](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB248/bill.pdf) (BR389) - [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm), [J. Short](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H092.htm), [R. Benvenuti III](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H088.htm), [K. Bratcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H029.htm), [R. Bunch](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H082.htm), [W. Coursey](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H006.htm), [J. Kay](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H056.htm), [K. King](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H055.htm), [T. Mills](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H024.htm), [D. Schamore](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H010.htm), [J. Shell](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H071.htm), [W. Stone](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H022.htm), [J. Tipton](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H053.htm), [R. Webber](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H026.htm), [J. York](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H096.htm)

     AN ACT relating to a tax credit for volunteer firefighters.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 141 and amend KRS 141.0205 to establish a refundable tax credit for certified volunteer firefighters.

     Jan 14, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 19, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB255](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB255/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB255/AA.pdf) (BR930) - [J. Kay](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H056.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.
     Amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members effective August 1, 2016; prohibit current legislators from participating in the Legislators' Retirement Plan on or after August 1, 2016; provide that current and future legislators shall only participate in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System for any service to the General Assembly occurring on or after August 1, 2016.

     Jan 14, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 19, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB263](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB263/bill.pdf) (BR1188) - [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Retirement Systems' board of trustees.
     Amend KRS 61.645, relating to the Kentucky Retirement Systems' board of trustees, to change the definition of "investment experience"; require two members of the Board of Trustees to be chartered financial analysts; provide that each appointment may be made from a list of three applicants submitted by the CFA Society of Louisville; apply to appointments or reappointments on or after the effective date of this Act.

 [HB263](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB263/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB263/HFA1.pdf)( B. Yonts ) - Retain original provisions except to modify the definition of "investment experience" to include other areas of financial expertise.

   [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB263/HFA2.pdf)( B. Yonts ) - Retain original provisions, except modify the definition of "investment experience" to include other areas of financial expertise; declare an EMERGENCY.
     [HFA3](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB263/HFA3.pdf)( B. Yonts ) - Make title amendment.

     Jan 15, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 19, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Jan 26, 2016 - posted in committee
     Jan 28, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar; floor amendment (1) filed
     Jan 29, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 01, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 2; floor amendment (2) and (3-title) filed
     Feb 02, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 92-0 with floor amendments (2), (3-title)
     Feb 03, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 05, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB271](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB271/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB271/AA.pdf) (BR34) - [J. Miller](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H036.htm), [A. Simpson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H065.htm), [K. Bratcher](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H029.htm), [R. Crimm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H033.htm), [J. DeCesare](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H017.htm), [S. Lee](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H045.htm), [P. Moffett](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H032.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the Public Pension Oversight Board.
     Create a new section of KRS 7A.200 to 7A.260 to require the state-administered retirement systems to disclose data on each member or recipient of a benefit, including a unique identification number which shall not be the member's Social Security number or personal identification number issued by the systems, information on the retirement status, actual or projected benefits payments, and other retirement information for each member; establish noncodified sections to require the Public Pension Oversight Board to study and provide a report by December 1, 2016, as to whether or not legislative action should be taken to separate the administration of the County Employees Retirement System from the Kentucky Retirement Systems; require the Public Pension Oversight Board to study and provide a report by December 1, 2016, as to whether or not legislative action should be taken to transfer administration of the Judicial Retirement Plan and the Legislators' Retirement Plan to the Kentucky Retirement Systems; require the Public Pension Oversight Board to study and provide a report by December 1, 2016, as to whether or not legislative action should be taken to consolidate administrative and investment functions of all of the state-administered retirement systems, which shall include a review of investment returns, investment expenses, and administrative expenses.

    Jan 15, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 19, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 04, 2016 - posted in committee
     Mar 03, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar with Committee Substitute (1)
     Mar 04, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules

[HB281](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB281/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB281/AA.pdf) (BR851) - [J. DeCesare](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H017.htm), [J. Richards](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H020.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for local elected officials.
     Amend KRS 61.637 to allow a mayor or member of a city legislative body who is not participating in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) prior to retirement, but who is eligible to retire from the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) or the State Police Retirement System (SPRS) due to other employment, to retire and draw benefits from KERS or SPRS without resigning from his or her position as mayor or member of the city legislative body.

 [HB281](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB281/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB281/HFA1.pdf)( M. Marzian ) - Amend to require that every candidate running for Governor file his or her federal business and individual tax returns and his or her state business and individual tax returns for the current and two preceding years with the Secretary of State, the county clerk in the county where the candidate resides, and with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance, and to establish that those filing are public records.
     [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB281/HFA2.pdf)( M. Marzian ) - Make title amendment.

     Jan 20, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 21, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 04, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 11, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Feb 12, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 16, 2016 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 18, 2016
     Feb 18, 2016 - taken from the Consent Orders of the Day, placed in the Regular Orders of the Day
     Feb 23, 2016 - floor amendment (1) and (2-title) filed

[HB293](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB293/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB293/AA.pdf) (BR1067) - [R. Nelson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H087.htm)

     AN ACT relating to teacher retirement.
     Amend KRS 161.630 so that a member who fails to elect a new optional plan of payment within 60 days of marriage or remarriage, or the death of the designated beneficiary from January 1, 2006, until November 1, 2016, may alternatively make that election on or before December 31, 2016.

     Jan 25, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 26, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB300](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/bill.pdf) (BR1402) - [D. Graham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H057.htm)

     AN ACT relating to Kentucky Retirement Systems board of trustees.
     Amend KRS 61.645 to require that vacancies in an elected position on the Kentucky Retirement Systems board of trustees be filled, for the remaining term of office, by a majority vote of the remaining elected trustees rather than by a majority vote of the remaining full board of trustees.

 [HB300](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/HFA1.pdf)/P( J. Hoover ) - Amend KRS 61.661, 161.585, and 21.540 to require the disclosure, upon request, of the retirement benefit information of current and former members of the General Assembly, including their name, status, and projected or actual retirement benefit payments and benefits of the same from Kentucky Retirement Systems, Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, Legislators' Retirement Plan, and the Judicial Retirement Plan.
     [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/HFA2.pdf)( J. Hoover ) - Make title amendment.
     [HFA3](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/HFA3.pdf)/P( J. DeCesare ) - Amend KRS 61.637 to allow a mayor or member of a city legislative body who is not participating in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) prior to retirement, but who is eligible to retire from the Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) or the State Police Retirement System (SPRS) due to other employment, to retire and draw benefits from KERS or SPRS without resigning from his or her position as mayor or member of the city legislative body.
     [HFA4](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB300/HFA4.pdf)( J. DeCesare ) - Make title amendment.

     Jan 26, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 27, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 02, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 25, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Feb 26, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 29, 2016 - posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for for Wednesday, March 2, 2016; floor amendment (1) and (2-title) filed
     Mar 01, 2016 - taken from the Consent Orders of the Day, placed in the Regular Orders of the Day
     Mar 02, 2016 - floor amendment (3) and (4-title) filed

[HB303](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB303/bill.pdf) (BR993) - [R. Rand](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H047.htm)

     AN ACT relating to appropriations and revenue measures providing financing and conditions for the operations, maintenance, support, and functioning of the government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its various officers, cabinets, departments, boards, commissions, institutions, subdivisions, agencies, and other state-supported activities

 [HB303](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB303/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB303/HFA1.pdf)( S. Riggs ) - Insert language providing General Fund moneys in fiscal years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 for the Every1 Reads Program.
     [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB303/HFA2.pdf)( S. Riggs ) - Insert language providing General Fund moneys for Louisville Waterfront Development in fiscal years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

     Jan 27, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 28, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)
     Feb 24, 2016 - floor amendment (1) and (2) filed
     Feb 26, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB328](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB328/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB328/AA.pdf) (BR1196) - [D. Butler](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H038.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the disclosure of public retirement information and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 61.661,161.585, and 21.540 to require the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, County Employees Retirement System, State Police Retirement System, Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, Legislators' Retirement Plan, and Judicial Retirement Plan to disclose upon request the names of members and actual benefit payments to recipients of a retirement allowance from the systems or plan; require the systems and plans to also make the information available on a searchable database on each system's or plan's Web site or on a Web site established by the executive or judicial branch to provide government expenditure and salary data to the public; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 02, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 04, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB343](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB343/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB343/LM.pdf) (BR1451) - [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the provision of fire protection services.
     Amend KRS 75.010 to delineate the territory that may be encompassed during the creation of a fire protection district or volunteer fire department district; amend KRS 75.020, relating to the enlargement or diminishment of fire district boundaries and merger, to require agreements to be entered into when a fire district wishes to expand territory into an area outside the boundaries of a city that is providing fire service to that area; prohibit expansion of one fire district into the territory of another fire district; ensure that boundary maps are filed and updated pursuant to law when boundaries are modified; amend KRS 75.022, relating to fire service boundaries, to establish when a city not having a regular fire department may assume fire protection services of annexed territories; amend KRS 273.401, relating to nonprofit corporations, to require written approval of the governing body of the city or district before a nonprofit fire department can add subscriber fees or charges to territory within a city or within the boundaries of a KRS Chapter 75 fire district; create a new section of KRS Chapter 95A to establish dissolution protocols for KRS Chapter 75 fire districts that may be initiated in the absence of a KRS 65.166 petition.

     Feb 05, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 08, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Feb 16, 2016 - posting waived
     Feb 17, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Feb 18, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, February 22, 2016
     Feb 22, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 94-0
     Feb 23, 2016 - received in Senate
     Feb 25, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB347](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB347/bill.pdf) (BR1608) - [T. Mills](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H024.htm), [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm)

     AN ACT relating to volunteer firefighters, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.
     Amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the annual allotment provided by the Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education to qualifying fire departments from $8,250 to $11,000; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

  Feb 05, 2016 - introduced in House
  Feb 08, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB384](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB384/bill.pdf) (BR1575) - [T. Riner](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H041.htm)

     AN ACT relating to local health and fitness incentive programs for local emergency services personnel.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 64 to provide for the voluntary creation of a local government emergency services personnel health and fitness-based incentive program.

 [HB384](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB384/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB384/HFA1.pdf)( T. Riner ) - Stipulate that emergency services personnel participation in the program is voluntary; prohibit local governments from using participation in the program as a measure of the emergency services person's job-related performance.

     Feb 10, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 11, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Feb 17, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 24, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 25, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; floor amendment (1) filed; posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Friday, February 26, 2016
     Feb 29, 2016 - 3rd reading, passed 60-9 with floor amendment (1)
     Mar 01, 2016 - received in Senate
     Mar 03, 2016 - to State & Local Government (S)

[HB393](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB393/bill.pdf) (BR1441) - [C. Harris](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H093.htm)

     AN ACT relating to fireworks.
     Amend KRS 227.715 to expand the sales of fireworks for seasonal retailers to a full 30 days surrounding both the July 4th and New Year's holidays; amend KRS 227.752 to conform.

     Feb 11, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 16, 2016 - to Veterans, Military Affairs, & Public Safety (H)
     Feb 22, 2016 - posted in committee
     Mar 02, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Mar 03, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules; posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Monday, March 7, 2016

[HB394](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB394/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB394/LM.pdf) (BR959) - [B. Linder](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H061.htm), [S. Santoro](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H060.htm)

     AN ACT relating to background checks for search and rescue personnel.
     Amend KRS 17.167 to prohibit registrants on the sexual offender registry from being members of a rescue squad; amend KRS Chapter 39F.210 to require the Division of Emergency Management to promulgate administrative regulations requiring sex offender registry checks for all members of rescue squads and detailing reporting requirements.

     Feb 11, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 16, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Feb 19, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB419](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB419/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB419/LM.pdf) (BR1370) - [T. Thompson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H014.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the law enforcement and firefighters foundation programs and making an appropriation therefor.
     Amend various sections of KRS Chapter 15 and KRS 95A.250, relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund and the Firefighters Foundation Program fund, to increase the annual supplement payment to local governments for qualifying law enforcement officers and firefighters from $3,000 to $4,000 beginning July 1, 2017; provide a reimbursement to local governments to fully reimburse for required contributions to the employee pension system resulting from the supplement increase; provide partial compensation for local government administrative expenses; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the annual allocation to volunteer fire departments from the Commission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education from $8,250 to $11,000 beginning July 1, 2017..

     Feb 16, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 17, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

[HB427](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB427/bill.pdf) (BR849) - [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to pension surcharges to benefit the Kentucky Retirement Systems and Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System and declaring an emergency.
     Create new sections of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 to create a surcharge on state contracts for personnel hired in lieu of hiring a state employee; require the surcharge to be paid to the unfunded liability trust fund created under KRS 61.706; apply to all participating employers and for all memoranda of agreement and personnel service contracts, as defined in KRS 45A.690 of the Model Procurement Code; create a surcharge on Kentucky Community and Technical College System employees not participating in Kentucky Employees Retirement System; create new section of KRS 161.220 to 161.716 to create a surcharge on Kentucky Community and Technical College System employees not participating in Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System; amend KRS 164.350, 164.365 and 164.5805 to conform; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 18, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 23, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB443](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB443/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB443/AA.pdf) (BR1049) - [H. Collins](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H097.htm)

     AN ACT relating to financing actuarially accrued pension liabilities.
     Amend KRS 21.525 to provide that beginning with the 2017 actuarial valuation, unfunded liabilities of the Judicial Form Retirement Plan and the Legislators' Retirement Plan shall be amortized over a closed 25- year period, except that: any future legislative changes shall be separately amortized over a closed 20- year period; any future changes in actuarial methods or assumptions shall be amortized over a closed 15-year period; and any future actuarial gains or losses shall be amortized over a 10- year closed period; provide that beginning with the 2017 actuarial valuation, the actuarially accrued liability contribution shall be calculated using the level dollar amortization method.

     Feb 18, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 23, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB448](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB448/bill.pdf) (BR1974) - [B. Yonts](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H015.htm)

     AN ACT relating to agencies that discontinue participation in Kentucky Retirement Systems.
     Create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to provide that an employer ceasing participation in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or the County Employees Retirement System as provided by KRS 61.522 that elects to provide an alternative retirement plan with mandatory employee contributions may "pick-up" the employee contributions in the alternative retirement plan so that the contributions will be made on a tax-deferred basis; amend KRS 141.010 to conform.

 [HB448](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB448/bill.pdf) - AMENDMENTS

     [HFA1](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB448/HFA1.pdf)/P( J. Hoover ) - Retain original provisions; amend KRS 61.661, 161.585, and 21.540 to require the disclosure, upon request, of the retirement benefit information of current and former members of the General Assembly, including their name, status, and projected or actual retirement benefit payments and benefits of the same from Kentucky Retirement Systems, Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, Legislators' Retirement Plan, and the Judicial Retirement Plan.
     [HFA2](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB448/HFA2.pdf)( J. Hoover ) - Make title amendment.
     [HFA3](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB448/HFA3.pdf)( P. Moffett ) - Prohibit the provisions of Section 1 of this bill from being construed as a determination or opinion as to whether an employer ceasing participation in KERS or CERS is a governmental agency eligible to establish a governmental retirement plan.

     Feb 19, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 22, 2016 - to State Government (H)
     Feb 23, 2016 - posted in committee
     Feb 25, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
     Feb 26, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules
     Feb 29, 2016 - posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, March 1, 2016; floor amendment (1) and (2-title) filed
     Mar 01, 2016 - floor amendment (3) filed

[HB473](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB473/bill.pdf) (BR1957) - [S. Riggs](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H031.htm)

     AN ACT relating to public safety personnel training.
     Amend KRS 15.404 to set the basic training of peace officers as that found in KRS 15.440; amend KRS 15.440 to set the local government qualifications for participating in the KLEFP fund at 928 hours as set by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council and to require any change of those hours to be done by administrative regulation, and allow the council to approve schools that may require more hours of education; amend KRS 70.263, relating to deputy sheriff merit boards, to conform to amended hour requirement; amend KRS 95.955, relating to municipal police and auxiliary police, to conform to the amended hour requirement; amend KRS 15.530, relating to telecommunicators, to set the required training hours; amend KRS 15.550 to conform to the set number of training hours for the basic course; amend KRS 15.560 to set the required training hours for non-CJIS telecommunicators; amend KRS 15.565 to prohibit the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council from changing the 8 hours of in-service training for telecommunicators; amend KRS 15.590 to allow the council to set the number of hours for training at a different number than that established by statute for non-CJIS telecommunicators and the telecommunications academy; amend KRS 15A.070, relating to Department of Criminal Justice Training powers, to conform to training requirements; amend KRS 95A.230 to set the basic training course at 400 hours and in-service training at 100 hours, but let the commission reduce the number of hours by administrative regulation, and allow a different number of hours to be set at a school recognized by the commission; amend KRS 95A.240 to establish the protocols for the commission relative to setting the number of hours for basic and in-service training, as well as the requirement for volunteer firefighters and departments under KRS 95A.262; amend KRS 95A.262 to conform with training requirement.

    Feb 23, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 24, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Feb 29, 2016 - posted in committee
     Mar 02, 2016 - reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
     Mar 03, 2016 - 2nd reading, to Rules

[HB496](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB496/bill.pdf) (BR1697) - [S. Santoro](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H060.htm)

     AN ACT relating to nomination of trustees of fire protection districts and volunteer fire department districts.
     Amend KRS 75.031 to specify procedures for electing members of the boards of trustees of fire protection districts and volunteer fire department districts; distinguish procedures for electing resident firefighter members and nonfirefighter property owner members; amend KRS 118.305 to include fire district nominations; amend KRS 118.315 to include nominations for fire districts; establish staggered terms for fire district board, old terms to end December 31, 2016.

     Feb 25, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 29, 2016 - to Local Government (H)

[HB498](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB498/bill.pdf) (BR1961) - [M. Denham](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H070.htm)

     AN ACT relating to 911 service.
     Amend KRS 65.760 to include charter counties and unified local governments.

     Feb 25, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 29, 2016 - to Local Government (H)
     Mar 04, 2016 - posted in committee

[HB505](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB505/bill.pdf) [/ AA](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB505/AA.pdf) (BR1819) - [R. Benvenuti III](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H088.htm)

     AN ACT relating to retirement benefits for legislators.
     Create a new section of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 to prohibit future members of the General Assembly from participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System unless they participated in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System or the Legislators' Retirement Plan as members of the General Assembly prior to August 1, 2016; allow current members of the General Assembly participating in the Kentucky Employees Retirement System to make a one-time election to discontinue participation and to take a refund of accumulated contributions; amend KRS 6.505 to close the Legislators' Retirement Plan to new members effective August 1, 2016; allow current members of the General Assembly participating in the Legislators' Retirement Plan to make a one-time election to discontinue participation and take a refund of   Feb 26, 2016 - introduced in House
     Feb 29, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB506](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB506/bill.pdf) (BR1820) - [R. Benvenuti III](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H088.htm)

     AN ACT relating to the disclosure of public retirement information.
     Amend KRS 61.661, 161.585, and 21.540 to require the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, the County Employees Retirement System, the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, and the Judicial Form Retirement System to disclose upon request the names, status, projected or actual benefit payments, and other retirement information of each member or recipient of a retirement allowance of the systems; require the systems to also make the information available on a searchable database on the systems' Web site or on a Web site established by the executive or judicial branch to provide government expenditure and salary data to the public.

  Feb 26, 2016 - introduced in House
  Feb 29, 2016 - to State Government (H)

[HB513](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB513/bill.pdf) (BR1396) - [R. Benvenuti III](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H088.htm), [R. Palumbo](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H076.htm), [A. Simpson](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H065.htm), [J. York](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H096.htm)

     AN ACT relating to death benefits for firefighters.
     Amend KRS 61.315 and create a new section of KRS Chapter 61 to include cancer, with certain exceptions, as a death in the line of duty cause for firefighters.

Mar 02-WITHDRAWN

[HB526](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB526/bill.pdf)[/LM](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HB526/LM.pdf) (BR393) - [M. Meredith](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H019.htm)

     AN ACT relating to supplements paid to police officers, professional firefighters, and qualified volunteer fire departments, declaring an emergency, and making an appropriation therefor.
     Amend KRS 15.460 to increase the annual supplement paid to qualified police officers out of the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund from $3,000 to $4,000; amend KRS 95A.250 to increase the annual supplement paid to qualified professional firefighters out of the Firefighters Foundation Program fund from $3,000 to $4,000; amend KRS 95A.262 to increase the annual allotment to qualified volunteer fire departments from $8,250 to $11,000; APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY.

     Feb 29, 2016 - introduced in House
     Mar 01, 2016 - to Appropriations & Revenue (H)

House Resolutions

[HJR24](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/HJ24/bill.pdf) (BR104) - [J. DuPlessis](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H025.htm), [T. Moore](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legislator/H018.htm)

     Direct the Transportation Cabinet to erect signs designating Kentucky Route 222 from Kentucky Route 1136 to Robey Road in Hardin County the "Firefighter Jonathan French Memorial Highway."

     Jan 06, 2016 - introduced in House
     Jan 07, 2016 - to Transportation (H)