

## 2016 General Assembly

### New Bills of Interest

*January 25 through January 29*

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Topic	Bill #	Sponsor	Summary
Access	<a href="#">SB 121</a>	Westerfield	Establish standards and rules for contingency fee personal service contracts for legal services; require Attorney General to make written findings of need
Access	<a href="#">SR 88</a>	Girdler	Request that the Attorney General respond within 30 days to a legislator's request for an opinion
Budget	<a href="#">HB 303</a>	Rand	The Executive Branch Budget
Budget	<a href="#">HB 304</a>	Rand	The Road Fund and Transportation Budget
Budget	<a href="#">HB 305</a>	Rand	2016-2018 Biennial Highway Construction Plan
Budget	<a href="#">HB 306</a>	Rand	The Judicial Branch Budget
Budget	<a href="#">HCR 109</a>	Wuchner	Establish Priorities of Government Spending and Budget Reform Task Force
Consumer	<a href="#">HB 298</a>	Collins	Increase annual license fee for motor vehicle dealers

			and manufacturers from \$100 to \$200 for each location, branch or agent
Consumer	<a href="#">SB 122</a>	Buford	Require grantee of deed from commissioner to file deed within 5 days; extend time lien is effective; reduce time continuation statement extends lien
Consumer	<a href="#">SB 124</a>	Buford	Prohibit defendant or defendant's agent from bidding on property sold pursuant to court order for less than amount due at time of sale, plus fees and expenses
Criminal	<a href="#">SB 136</a>	Westerfield	Increase penalties for possession of, and trafficking in, synthetic drugs; classify all hydrocodone products as Schedule II controlled substances
Econ Dev	<a href="#">HB 309</a>	Combs	P3s: create framework for use of public-private partnerships for procurement, construction, and financing by state and local government
Econ Dev	<a href="#">SB 132</a>	Wise	P3s: create framework for use of public-private partnerships for procurement, construction, and financing by state and local government
Education	<a href="#">HB 316</a>	Smart	Bullying: require a school board's code of behavior to include procedures for investigating reports and a method to protect a person who reports
Education	<a href="#">HB 318</a>	Riggs	Change the terms "district of innovation" and "school of innovation" to "public charter district of innovation" and "public charter school of innovation"
Education	<a href="#">HJR 100</a>	Kay	Require General Assembly to appropriate lottery funds as prescribed by statute for needs based scholarships; prohibit "notwithstanding" the statute
Education	<a href="#">SB 127</a>	Wise	Permit high school seniors and juniors to use their KEES awards to pay for dual credit courses; details
Education	<a href="#">SB 133</a>	Schickel	Require local board of directors of a community or technical college to select and evaluate the college's chief executive officer
Education	<a href="#">SB 140</a>	Wise	Authorize Council on Postsecondary Ed to enter into reciprocity agreement with institution in another state to provide distance education to KY residents
Employment	<a href="#">HB 293</a>	Nelson	Temporarily extend time for retired teacher to elect a new pension payment plan after marriage or remarriage or death of designated beneficiary; details
Employment	<a href="#">HB 294</a>	Stewart	Allow donation of sick leave from teachers and employees of one school district to teachers and employees of another school district
Employment	<a href="#">HB 296</a>	Carney	Exempt private offices, clinics and office buildings of advanced practice registered nurses from certificate of need; include practice in term "healing art;" more
Employment	<a href="#">HB 301</a>	Stewart	Allow a school superintendent to recognize up to four years of a teacher's prior service credit toward the

			four years required for continuing contract status
Employment	<a href="#">HB 311</a>	Rowland	Allow payments of temporary total workers' compensation disability benefits to be offset by wages paid for light duty or alternative duty work
Employment	<a href="#">HB 312</a>	Nelson	Require that pay for Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officers be equivalent to pay for Kentucky State Police officers with similar rank
Employment	<a href="#">HB 314</a>	Riggs	Allow authorized off-duty and retired peace officers to carry concealed firearms at any location where on-duty officers may carry firearms
Employment	<a href="#">HB 315</a>	Steele	Allow members of General Assembly and constitutional officers who have CCDW permits to carry concealed deadly weapons anywhere in KY
Employment	<a href="#">HCR 106</a>	Nelson	Recognize the rights of employees in the education workplace and urge employers to respect those rights
Employment	<a href="#">HCR 97</a>	Clark	Establish Kentucky Workforce Development Task Force to study workforce development and education and develop recommendations
Employment	<a href="#">HR 105</a>	Nelson	Commemorate 100 years of workers' compensation in Kentucky
Employment	<a href="#">SB 135</a>	Westerfield	Re-entry: modify the process of notifying a person seeking a license of a potential disqualification based on prior convictions; more
Employment	<a href="#">SB 138</a>	McGarvey	Create a rebuttable presumption of death in line of duty and eligibility for a lump-sum death benefit for firefighters with certain types of cancer; details
Employment	<a href="#">SR 89</a>	Buford	Commemorate 100 years of workers' compensation in Kentucky
Government	<a href="#">HB 307</a>	Owens	Elections: require Board of Elections to issue regs on training of challengers; remove requirement that an entire ballot must be printed in a newspaper; details
Government	<a href="#">SB 129</a>	Harris	Admin regs "housekeeping:" clarify when a later emergency regulation with the same number or governing the same subject matter may be filed; more
Health	<a href="#">HB 4</a>	Adkins	Provide an increased penalty structure for trafficking in or possession of synthetic drugs; EMERGENCY
Health	<a href="#">HB 299</a>	D. Watkins	Raise to 21 the minimum age to buy or possess tobacco, alternative nicotine products, and vapor products
Health	<a href="#">SB 123</a>	Jones	Allow a pharmacist to dispense or sell a legend drug or controlled substance if certain conditions exist; exclude Schedule I and Schedule II drug

Health	<a href="#">SB 131</a>	Neal	Specify that a beauty salon or a nail salon may be a fixed or mobile establishment; provide for inspections for mobile salons
Health	<a href="#">SB 134</a>	Alvarado	Require lower-priced biological products to be dispensed when appropriate unless notified otherwise; require labeling of substitutions
Health	<a href="#">SB 139</a>	Ridley	Require medical examiner to release postmortem exam results to procurement organization if decedent's body is suitable for transplantation
Taxes	<a href="#">HB 292</a>	Yonts	Limited liability entity tax: expand the definition of "cost of goods sold" to include any costs allowed by the Internal Revenue Code
Taxes	<a href="#">HB 310</a>	Westrom	Phase down the wholesale sales tax rate on distilled spirits beginning August 1, 2016
Transportation	<a href="#">HJR 91</a>	Rand	Provide that the General Assembly shall adopt the last four years of the six year road plan as a joint resolution
Transportation	<a href="#">SB 126</a>	Embry	Specify that an autocycle is a type of motor vehicle; outline provisions for operation of an autocycle on a highway
Veterans	<a href="#">SB 128</a>	Robinson	Permit the Department of Veterans' Affairs to promulgate administrative regulations for the Women Veterans Program