

2010 General Assembly

New Bills of Interest

January 11-15

Here are selected new bills filed in the 2010 General Assembly during the week January 11-15. The list is organized by poverty law topic. Highlights include:

- [HB 245](#) Prohibit “debt buyers” from engaging in unfair practices
- [HB 226](#) Allow UI after voluntary quit to follow a military spouse
- [HB 260](#) Require appointment of counsel 48 hours before temporary removal hearing
- [HB 264](#) Limit \$1,000 general exemption to federal bankruptcy proceedings
- [HB 277](#) Allow replacement of homes in nonconforming mobile home community

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Topic	Bill #	Sponsor	Summary
Budget	HB 273	Moore	Require equal percentage reductions to the legislative budget's operating budget as occur in the executive budget
Budget	HB 274	Moore	Require a fiscal note to be prepared for any proposed legislation that would impact state revenues or expenditures
Consumer	HB 245	Bell	Prohibit “debt buyers” from engaging in unfair, false, misleading, or deceptive acts or practices; set requirements for legal complaints by them
Consumer	HB 248	Denham	Allow payments for group life insurance to be paid entirely from funds of insured employees; establish definitions for group coverage
Consumer	HB 264	Coursey	Financial institutions: limit the \$1,000 general real or personal property exemption to federal bankruptcy proceedings; much more
Consumer	SB 83	Buford	Delete gift cards distributed by an issuer as an award, loyalty, or promotional program from the minimum one year expiration requirement
Education	HB 271	Moore	Ensure that public post-2ndary institutions inform students which credits earned at technical and community colleges will transfer to 4-year schools

Employment	HB 226	Moore	UI: prohibit disqualification for leaving a job to follow a military spouse who is reassigned to a duty location 100 miles or more from the worker's home
Employment	HB 242	Floyd	UI: require repayment of benefits if employee is convicted of embezzling funds
Environment	HB 240	Adkins	Repeal and re-enact numerous provisions on state government energy efficiency; amend the bond authorizations for Bluegrass Turns Green program
Environment	HB 268	Gooch	Reduce by half the number of annual training hours required for the renewal of a Kentucky blaster's license; details
Family	HB 249	Riner	Provide that intentional assault in 4 th degree of family member or member of an unmarried couple constitutes high misdemeanor, barring public office
Family	HB 260	Burch	Child protection: require notice of right to counsel with summons, appointment of counsel no later than 48 hours before temporary removal hearing; more
Government	HB 253	Floyd	Constitutional amendment: "21 st Century Bill of Rights" on guns, posting of 10 Commandments, energy, public information, more
Government	SC 43	Seum	Demand federal government cease mandates beyond constitutionally delegated powers; prohibit federal legislation requiring state laws under threat of penalty
Health	HB 243	Miller	Require KDE to develop guidelines for training in suicide prevention; award professional development credit to staff who participate
Health	HB 246	Flood	Menu labeling: require chain restaurants with 20 or more locations in U.S. to provide a calorie content disclosure statement on menus and menu boards
Health	HB 250	Riner	Prohibit personal service providers from accepting gifts or gratuities of \$100 or more if services are provided in home of a disabled senior citizen
Health	HB 254	Fischer	Provide that no individual or business in KY shall be required to purchase health insurance coverage; allow out of state companies to offer health insurance; more
Health	HB 256	Hall	Board of Dentistry housekeeping bill: set conditions for dental hygienist to practice independently in volunteer community health setting; much more
Health	HB 257	Burch	Permit CHFS, subject to available funding, to contract with an agency to operate a residential option for substance abuse treatment for adults
Health	HB 258	Burch	Create Commission on Public Health; establish membership and duties, including charge that all health departments achieve national accreditation
Health	HB 259	Burch	Establish the Kentucky Hemophilia and Blood

			Disorder Program in the Department for Public Health; details
Health	HB 263	Burch	Create Opioid Drug Overdose Prevention Program in Department for Public Health to include projects to encourage 911 calls when overdoses are observed
Health	HB 266	Edmunds	Require patient filling an Rx for a Schedule II-V controlled substance to use Social Security number, driver's license number, or number on an ID card
Health	SB 86	Harper Angel	Menu labeling: require chain restaurants with 20 or more locations in U.S. to provide a calorie content disclosure statement on menus and menu boards
Health	SB 87	Thayer	Require “quasi governmental entities that provide insurance to disclose on web information about expenditures (KACO and League of Cities bill)
Housing	HB 277	Kerr	Allow the replacement of a housing unit with another housing unit in a nonconforming manufactured or mobile home community
Housing	SB 90	Seum	Require certain filings to include certification that they contain no Social Security numbers; hold clerks harmless if instrument not in compliance is filed
Juvenile	HB 231	Ji. Lee	Establish specialty residential treatment centers for juveniles under 18 at time of admission who have severe emotional disabilities; details
Taxes	HB 270	Moore	Constitutional amendment: double the homestead exemption for property tax purposes in certain circumstances
Taxes	HB 275	Moore	Allow a job stimulus tax credit equal to the amount of tax deducted and withheld from wages paid by an employer to a qualifying employee
Taxes	SB 2	Williams	Constitutional amendment: mandate that the expansion of gambling requires an amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky
Transportation	HB 232	Burch	Cell phones in cars: Prohibit use of a personal communication device by the operator of a motor vehicle