

2010 General Assembly

New Bills of Interest

February 15-19

Here are selected new bills filed in the General Assembly during the week of February 15-19. The list is organized by topic. Highlights include:

- [HB 450](#) Add Total Unemployment Rate as a trigger for UI extended benefit period
- [SR 153](#) Urge Governor to require use of E-verify for state contractors
- [HB 444](#) Assisted living: allow greater assistance with self-administration medicine
- [HB 465](#) Require creditor to register vacant residential property with local government

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Topic	Bill #	Sponsor	Summary
Access	HR 176	Meeks	Urge Congress to appropriate funds necessary for the USDA to fulfill obligations to black farmers under a 1999 settlement agreement
Civil Rights	HB 440	Moore	Constitutional amendment: prohibit Commonwealth from burdening freedom of religion for persons or religious organizations; definition; details
Corrections	HB 437	Jenkins	Prevent consolidated local government from making agreements with private entities to run correctional facilities; allow contracts for food, medicine
Corrections	HB 439	Combs	Require movie theaters with five or more screens to provide closed captioning for deaf and hard of hearing persons; details
Corrections	HB 446	Yonts	Expand the educational good time award to 90 days and authorize a good time credit for successful completion of a substance abuse program; more
Corrections	HB 458	Santoro	Sex offenders: modify the measurement process for sex offender residences in relation to playgrounds and day care centers; more
Employment	HB 432	Nelson	Establish safety requirements for "railroad employee contract carriers;" definitions
Employment	HB 435	Floyd	Make employers who contract for services liable to employees for increased award due to safety violation

			of entity who contracted with the employer
Employment	HB 450	Yonts	Add the total unemployment rate as a trigger for an extended benefit period
Employment	HB 466	Bell	Require preference for KY contractors and vendors on state contracts; require payment of UI and income taxes during 12 months preceding bid
Employment	SB 159	Seum	Permit collective bargaining for police officers and firefighters in second and third class cities
Employment	SR 153	Clark	Urge the Governor and Finance and Administration Cabinet to require use of E-verify for all employers doing business with the Commonwealth
Environment	HB 433	Yonts	Authorize counties to designate agent for clean up of debris from streams; allow county to restrain state agency from preventing stream maintenance
Environment	SB 160	Harper Angel	Establish an electronic scrap recycling program; define terms; establish manufacturers' responsibilities for television recycling; more
Family	HB 463	Crimm	Permit child committed to custody of state to request, no later than 12 months after attaining age 18, to extend or reinstate the commitment
Family	HB 464	Burch	Increase the amount in a trust that is eligible for distribution upon petition of the fiduciary from \$25,000 or less to \$100,000 or less
Health	HB 436	Burch	Establish School Nurse Pilot Program to employ licensed nurses in public elementary schools; details; appropriate \$3M
Health	HB 443	Ford	Prohibit sale of energy drinks to children under 18
Health	HB 444	Westrom	Assisted living: expand definition of "assistance with self-administration of medication;" require certification of assisted-living community; more
Health	HB 459	Hoover	Require Medicaid managed care partnerships to establish enhanced Primary Care Case Management Program to replace KenPAC program; details
Health	HB 460	Burch	Require coverage of oral anti-cancer medication on the same basis as intravenously administered or injected cancer medications
Health	HB 468	Butler	Recommend KDE create procedures for situations in which child with chronic health condition has a health episode that necessitates leaving classroom
Health	SB 157	Buford	Require that specified health benefit plans provide reimbursement for any service within the lawful scope of practice of a licensed doctor of chiropractic

Health	SB 161	Shaughnessy	Medicaid nonprofit HMO's: return accumulated surplus, above the risk-based capital requirements, to Cabinet for Health and Family Services; details
Housing	HB 465	Horlander	Require a creditor to register vacant residential property with local government where the property is located; penalty
Housing	HB 467	Pullin	Clarify that plumbing installation permits and state inspections are not required for installation of a new water heater by a homeowner for residential purposes
Taxes	HB 452	Ford	Provide that a totally disabled individual with an irreversible disability need only report the disability upon initial application for the homestead exemption
Taxes	HB 457	Coursey	Require any individual or corporation that fails to pay school taxes to pay school board's court costs and attorney's fees incurred as a result of trying to collect
Taxes	HC 180	Fischer	Urge General Assembly, if it addresses expanded gambling, to follow the Kentucky Constitution by submitting a Constitutional amendment to the voters
Taxes	SB 158	Leeper	Allow Department of Revenue to include examples in an administrative reg and allow those examples to include demonstrative, non-exclusive lists