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the KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Referred to Committee: House 2
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1 An act to ban the use of corporal punishment as a disciplinary measure in Kentucky's schools. 2 3 Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky 4 5 6 Section 1: 31 states have banned corporal punishment in their schools; however, 19 states still allow the use of paddling or spanking as a disciplinary measure. 7 8 Section 2: In 2011, there were 1,581 reported accounts of corporal punishment in schools, one-third of 9 these cases dealing with students with special needs. 10 11 Section 3: Corporal punishment can cause problems to a child's mental, physical, and psychological 12 health. Studies have shown that paddling students or other means of physical punishment can lead to 13 increased aggression, antisocial behaviors, depression, low self-esteem, reduced academic achievement. 14 and can lead to student on student violence. 15 16 Section 4: If a student was found to be punished by paddling at school upon the bills passing then the 17 responsible school official could face charges of assault or battery to a minor which further result in a 18 fine, probation, or incarceration. 19

20 Section 5: This bill will go into effect on August 1, 2018.