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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY **Bluegrass Bill**

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Referred to Committee: House 4

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An act to provide incentives for AP exams in the form of KEES money to all students

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: The KEES program currently gives a range of \$200-300 for AP scores of three or higher to students who qualify for free or reduced lunches. This is an incentive to motivate kids to take these higher education classes and stay in Kentucky for college.

Section 2: Students who qualify for free or reduced lunches currently receive \$200 for scoring a 3, \$250 for a 4, and \$300 for a 5 on any AP test. This would be altered to be provided for all students who score a three or higher. To prevent overspending, the scale would change to \$100 for a 3, \$150 for a 4, and \$200 for a 5 on any AP test.

Section 3: Currently Arizona, California, and Massachusetts provide scholarship incentives for achieving certain AP scores.

Section 4: This extra incentive would motivate all students to try harder in AP classes, because they can receive extra money for getting a higher score, and to take the class in the first place. This would also make students more likely to choose colleges in-state, keeping higher educated students in Kentucky. Taking AP courses in high school, would also be cheaper than taking the class in college, which would lead to less debt after college.

Section 5: The KEES program is 100% sponsored by the Kentucky Lottery.

Section 6: This Bill will go into effect the school year following passage. Any student that scored a three or higher on an AP exam before this bill is enacted will not receive the incentive.