the KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Bluegrass Bill	Blue BG 24	
	Referred to Committe Senate 4	3e:
Authors: Allye Culp, Marley Burchett, Ashlyn Doom, Michael Hubbard	Action on the Bill	
School: Lyon Co. HS	House Senate	
City: Eddyville		🗆 Passed 🗆 Defeated

An act to require all Kentucky public schools to employ a full-time guidance counselor.

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

4 5 Section 1: This bill would require all Kentucky public schools to employ a full-time guidance counselor. 6 Only 24 states in the country already have this law in action. Unfortunately, Kentucky is not one of 7 these. Guidance counselors work with school staff, parents, and the community to create a caring and 8 supportive atmosphere for students' well-being. They help children develop the skills and strategies 9 necessary to succeed academically and socially. A counselor would be responsible for students' class 10 schedules, grade reports, addressing cases of abuse and neglect, managing special needs, KPREP 11 Testing, suicide prevention, counseling students about day-to-day issues, and many more. 12

Section 2:This bill will affect all public school students in the state of Kentucky. Students will have a confidante available at all times through the day that is trained to help them with emotional problems, as well as college and career plans.

Section 3: Each public school district will be responsible for funding the salaries of the necessary
guidance counselors through grants and budget monitoring.

Section 4:This bill will pertain to every public school without a full-time guidance counselor in the state
of Kentucky.

23 Section 5: This law will go into effect by the 2017-2018 school year.

1 2 3