

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Commonwealth Bill	Blue CW 18						
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Authors: Olivia Dawson, Andi Wood, Zach Edwards, Serah Mathew	Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <td>House</td> <td>Senate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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City: Louisville							

1 An act to Make Family and Consumer Sciences a Required Course to Graduate High School
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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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5 Section 1: This bill will make Life Skills a graduation requirement for all Kentucky high schools. The
6 curriculum will be standardized to include obtaining skills in financial management (buying a house and
7 car and paying taxes and bills), establishing healthy relationships, acquiring a job, and learning basic
8 home economics skills.
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10 Section 2: Similarly to health class now, Life Skills can be taken online or for a semester in school in
11 order to get the credit. Family and Consumer Sciences sponsors an organization for students called
12 Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. Students will not be required to go to the
13 conference or be a part of the organization.
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15 Section 3: There are already Life Skills classes in place at many Kentucky high schools, but the
16 curriculum will need to be standardized and replicated online. There also will be a need for a few more
17 teachers at some schools. The average school without a Life Skills instructor already in place would only
18 need 1-2 teachers.
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20 Section 4: To pay for this bill, taxes would have to increase slightly in some counties to pay for extra
21 teachers. Students opting to take the online course would have to pay a fee (about \$80). Fee waiver
22 would cover this for students who are unable to pay.
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24 Section 5: This bill would go into effect at the beginning of the 2017-18 school year.