#### KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# **STAFF NOTE**

#### **Review Item:**

An update on elementary and secondary legislation pending before the Kentucky General Assembly.

## **Rationale:**

The approved budget and policy priorities support the needs of Kentucky's students, schools, and districts, within the context of the state's current educational initiatives and strategic goals.

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

Kentucky Revised Statute (KRS) Chapter 48 directs Kentucky's budget process and prescribes uniform budget preparation instructions, forms and records which must be used by all state agencies in formulating their budget requests. KRS 7A.010 to 7A.170 requires state agencies to prepare six-year capital improvement plans, based upon agency policy issues and projected program needs.

## **History/Background:**

**Existing Policy:** The Kentucky Department of Education's (KDE) strategic plan, budget, and policy priorities provide the framework and resources for helping local districts and schools in delivering educational services to students.

*Summary:* The Kentucky General Assembly convened on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. At the December 2017 KBE meeting, potential items were considered and reviewed for inclusion in the board's legislative agenda for the 2018 Regular Session. Staff will provide an update on pending legislation.

**Budget Impact:** The legislative agenda focuses on budget priorities for elementary and secondary education. The fiscal impact is detailed in the approved legislative agenda and in the department's budget request submitted to the Office of State Budget Director in the fall of 2017.

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