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CHAPTER	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY TITLE	BASIS FOR CHANGE(S)	FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION	01.0	DEFINITIONS	LEGAL: KRS CHAPTER 369 CONTAINS THE DEFINITION OF SIGNATURE INCLUDING TYPE TO BE ACCEPTED BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES INCLUDING SCHOOL BOARDS. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ARE NOT REQUIRED BUT MAY BE ACCEPTED.	COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROGRAMS, SOFTWARE, OR DEVICES THAT PERMIT ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES.
ADMINISTRATION	02.31	SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SROS)	LEGAL: SB 68 AMENDS KRS 158.4414 EXTENDING THE TIMEFRAME FOR DISTRICTS TO HAVE A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ON EACH CAMPUS.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.11	HIRING	RECOMMENDED: THE FORM FOR THE CA/N CHECK IS LOCATED ON THE CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES WEBSITE.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.114	CONTRACT	LEGAL: SB 48 AMENDS KRS 158.060 PROVIDING TEACHERS ACCESS TO A COPY OF HIS/HER EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.1161	COACHES AND ASSISTANT COACHES	LEGAL: 702 KAR 7:065 CLARIFIES THAT THE CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION COURSE PROVIDER MUST BE APPROVED BY KHSAA AND BE BASED UPON INDUSTRY STANDARDS.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.1232	SICK LEAVE	LEGAL: SB 9 AMENDS KRS 161.155 REQUIRING THE DISTRICT TO MAKE SPECIFIED REPORTS CONCERNING SICK LEAVE TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. THE BILL INCLUDED AN EMERGENCY CLAUSE MAKING IT ALREADY IN EFFECT.	COST IN PREPARING REPORTS
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.1233	PARENTAL LEAVE OPTIONS	LEGAL: SB 9 AMENDS KRS 161.155 REQUIRING DISTRICTS, ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2030, TO ESTABLISH A POLICY THAT	TEACHER DAILY WAGE FOR MATERNITY LEAVE

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			PROVIDES UP TO THIRTY (30) PAID MATERNITY LEAVE DAYS TO EACH TEACHER OR EMPLOYEE WHO GIVES BIRTH. THE BILL INCLUDED AN EMERGENCY CLAUSE MAKING IT ALREADY EFFECTIVE.	
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.1721	CONFLICT OF INTERESTS	LEGAL: SB 207 AMENDS KRS 156.460 REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THE PROCESS FOR PURCHASING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS. THIS CHANGE ADDS EXISTING STATUTORY LANGUAGE BUT WITH THE NEW TERM, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.175	RETIREMENT	LEGAL: SB 9 AMENDS KRS 161.155 REQUIRING DISTRICTS PAY TO TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TRS) THE ACTUARIAL COSTS OF SICK LEAVE FOR FUTURE SICK LEAVE ACCRUALS IN EXCESS OF THIRTEEN (13) DAYS EACH YEAR. THE BILL INCLUDED AN EMERGENCY CLAUSE MAKING IT ALREADY IN EFFECT.	ACTUARIAL COSTS FOR SICK LEAVE DAYS OVER THIRTEEN (13)
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.18	EVALUATION	LEGAL: HB 48 AMENDS KRS 156.557 INCREASING THE TIME PERIOD BETWEEN MANDATORY SUMMATIVE EVALUATIONS FOR TENURED STAFF AND PROVIDING THAT ADDITIONAL SUMMATIVE EVALUATIONS MAY BE PERFORMED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR.	NONE ANTICIPATED
PERSONNEL (CERTIFIED)	03.19	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	LEGAL: HB 48 AMENDS KRS 156.095 REQUIRING DISTRICTS TO IMPLEMENT A FOUR (4) YEAR RECURRING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SCHEDULE THAT INCLUDES ALL REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAININGS, AND THAT ALL	NONE ANTICIPATED

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			CERTIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES COMPLETE DESIGNATED TRAININGS WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF INITIAL HIRE AND AT LEAST ONCE EVERY FOUR (4) YEARS THEREAFTER. THE KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL CREATE THE TRAINING SCHEDULE BY AUGUST 1, 2025.	
SUPPORT SERVICES	07.1	FOOD/SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICES	LEGAL: SB 68 REPEALS KRS 158.856 REMOVING THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN NUTRITION PROGRAMS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.	NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.1	CURRICULUM	<p>LEGAL: SB 68 AMENDS KRS 158.645 REVISING THE REQUIRED LEARNING CAPACITIES OF STUDENTS AND AMENDS KRS 158.6451 REVISING THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXPECTATIONS. LEGAL: SB 68 AMENDS KRS 158.645 REVISING THE REQUIRED LEARNING CAPACITIES OF STUDENTS AND AMENDS KRS 158.6451 REVISING THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXPECTATIONS. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED LEGAL: SB 207 AMENDS KRS 156 CREATING A NEW SECTION, KRS 156.412 WHICH ESTABLISHES AN INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS DEPOSITORY AND REVISES THE PROCESS FOR PURCHASING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.</p> <p>LEGAL: 704 KAR 3:303 HAS BEEN REPEALED.</p>	<p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p> <p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p>

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CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.1122	ADVANCED COURSEWORK	LEGAL: HB 190 AMENDS KRS 158.6453 DEFINING ADVANCED COURSEWORK OFFERING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES FOUR (4) THROUGH TWELVE (12), REQUIRING A DISTRICT PLAN, A SCHOOL POLICY, AND ESTABLISHING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.	NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.113	GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	<p>LEGAL: HB 342 AMENDS KRS 158.1411 REVISING THE FINANCIAL LITERACY COURSE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT.</p> <p>LEGAL: HB 535 (2023) REQUIRES THE BOARD, BEGINNING WITH THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR, TO CHOOSE A CIVIC LITERACY COURSE OR A CIVICS EXAM AS PART OF THE STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR A REGULAR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA.</p> <p>LEGAL: 704 KAR 3:303 HAS BEEN REPEALED, 703 KAR 4:060 HAS EXPIRED, AND 704 KAR 3:306 HAS BEEN RECODIFIED.</p> <p>LEGAL: REVISIONS TO 704 KAR 3:305 AMEND THE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS.</p> <p>LEGAL: HB 190 AMENDS KRS 158.6453 RELATED TO ADVANCED COURSEWORK OFFERINGS.</p>	<p>COST ASSOCIATED WITH COURSE INSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>COST ASSOCIATED WITH COURSE INSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF AN EXAM</p> <p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p> <p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p> <p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p>
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.1131	ALTERNATIVE CREDIT OPTIONS	<p>LEGAL: REVISIONS TO 704 KAR 3:305 AMEND THE PERFORMANCE-BASED AND STANDARDS-BASED CREDIT REQUIREMENTS.</p> <p>LEGAL: 704 KAR 3:303 HAS BEEN REPEALED.</p>	<p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p> <p>NONE ANTICIPATED</p>

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CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.1312	HOME/HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION	LEGAL: HB 132 AMENDS KRS 158.033 INCLUDING THAT HOME OR HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION FOR INPATIENT FACILITY IS EFFECTIVE THE DAY OF ADMITTANCE. LEGAL: 704 KAR 3:303 HAS BEEN REPEALED.	INCREASE IN ADA NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.13531	HUMAN SEXUALITY	LEGAL: SB 181 AMENDS KRS 161.120 PROVIDING AGE-APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTION ON CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE THROUGH CURRICULUM OR PROGRAMS AND REMOVES "WRITTEN" FROM REQUIRED NOTIFICATIONS.	NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.22	PROMOTION AND RETENTION	LEGAL: HB 240 REVISES KRS 158.305 REQUIRING AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR, A STUDENT REMAIN IN KINDERGARTEN FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR IF THEY DID NOT MAKE ADEQUATE PROGRESS IN KINDERGARTEN. PROHIBITS A SCHOOL FROM REQUIRING A STUDENT WHO TURNS SEVEN BY AUGUST 1 TO REMAIN IN KINDERGARTEN. A SCHOOL MUST REEVALUATE THE READING IMPROVEMENT PLAN OF ANY STUDENT REMAINING IN KINDERGARTEN AND ALLOW A STUDENT PROVIDED AN ADDITIONAL YEAR IN KINDERGARTEN TO ADVANCE THROUGH THE PRIMARY PROGRAM WHEN IT IS DETERMINED TO BE IN THE STUDENT'S BEST INTEREST.	NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.232	INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS	LEGAL: SB 207 AMENDS KRS 156.433 USING INSTRUCTIONAL "MATERIALS" INSTEAD OF INSTRUCTIONAL "RESOURCES", EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.	NONE ANTICIPATED

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CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.2323	ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC MEDIA	<p>THIS POLICY CONTAINS KDE OFFICE OF EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY RECOMMENDED LANGUAGE</p> <p>LEGAL: HB 208 AMENDS KRS 156.675 INCLUDING SOCIAL MEDIA IN PROHIBITED MATERIAL TO BE MADE INACCESSIBLE THROUGH SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY A TEACHER FOR INSTRUCTIONAL PURPOSES. THIS BILL CONTAINS AN EMERGENCY CLAUSE MAKING IT ALREADY IN EFFECT.</p> <p>LEGAL: SB 181 CREATES A NEW SECTION OF KRS 160 DIRECTING EACH BOARD TO DESIGNATE ONE OR MORE PROGRAMS OR APPLICATIONS AS A TRACEABLE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THAT SHALL BE THE EXCLUSIVE MEANS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS TO COMMUNICATE ELECTRONICALLY WITH STUDENTS.</p>	NONE ANTICIPATED
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION	08.2324	TRACEABLE COMMUNICATIONS	<p>LEGAL: SB 181 CREATES A NEW SECTION OF KRS 160 DIRECTING EACH BOARD TO DESIGNATE ONE OR MORE PROGRAMS OR APPLICATIONS AS A TRACEABLE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THAT SHALL BE THE EXCLUSIVE MEANS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS TO COMMUNICATE ELECTRONICALLY WITH STUDENTS.</p>	COST OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION PROGRAMS AND SYSTEMS
STUDENTS	09.122	ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS	<p>LEGAL: KRS 158.200 PREVIOUSLY PERMITTED DISTRICTS PROVIDING FOR MORAL INSTRUCTION FOR STUDENTS. SB 19 AMENDS KRS 158.200 REVISING THE</p>	NONE ANTICIPATED

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			PROCESS FOR DISTRICTS THAT PERMIT MORAL INSTRUCTION AND REPEALS KRS 158.240.	
STUDENTS	09.22	STUDENT HEALTH AND SAFETY	LEGAL: HB 48 AMENDS KRS 156.095 REQUIRING DISTRICTS TO IMPLEMENT A FOUR (4) YEAR RECURRING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SCHEDULE THAT INCLUDES ALL REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAININGS, AND THAT ALL CERTIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES COMPLETE DESIGNATED TRAININGS WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF INITIAL HIRE AND AT LEAST ONCE EVERY FOUR (4) YEARS THEREAFTER. MOVING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS TO POLICY 03.19.	NONE ANTICIPATED
STUDENTS	09.2211	EMPLOYEE REPORTS OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	LEGAL: HB 5 (2024) AMENDED KRS 158.155 AND REPEALED KRS 158.154. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS STILL EXIST IN THIS AND OTHER POLICIES.	NONE ANTICIPATED
STUDENTS	09.2241	STUDENT MEDICATION	RECOMMENDED: THE KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION TRAINING MANUAL FOR NON-LICENSED SCHOOL PERSONNEL (2025) RECOMMENDS OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS NOT BE ADMINISTERED IN THE SCHOOL SETTING WITHOUT BOTH A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER'S ORDER AND SIGNED PARENTAL CONSENT. LEGAL: REVISIONS TO 702 KAR 1:160 CLEAN UP LANGUAGE REGARDING TRAINING FOR ADMINISTRATION OF DIABETES MEDICATION. THEREFORE, THE QUALIFYING	NONE ANTICIPATED

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			STATEMENT ABOUT ADMINISTRATION GUIDELINES MAY BE REMOVED.	
STUDENTS	09.227	CHILD ABUSE	LEGAL: HB 48 CREATES NEW SECTION OF KRS 158 REGARDING THE DISPLAY OF DESIGNATED HOTLINE INFORMATION LEGAL: HB 48 AMENDS KRS 156.095 ESTABLISHING CHILD ABUSE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL. THE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS CAN BE FOUND IN POLICY 03.19.	NONE ANTICIPATED
STUDENTS	09.313	ELIGIBILITY (ATHLETICS)	LEGAL: SB 120 AMENDS KRS 156.070 ADDING BOYS OR COED LACROSSE TO SPORTS EXCLUDED FROM DISTRICT STANDARDS FOR PLAYING UP IN GRADES 7 AND 8.	ANY COST ASSOCIATED
STUDENTS	09.421	CARE OF SCHOOL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY	LEGAL: HB 5 (2024) AMENDED KRS 158.155 REPEALING KRS 158.154. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS STILL EXIST IN THIS AND OTHER POLICIES.	NONE ANTICIPATED
STUDENTS	09.4221	SEXUAL EXTORTION	LEGAL: SB 73 CREATES NEW SECTIONS OF KRS 158 AND KRS 531 CREATING THE CRIME OF SEXUAL EXTORTION AND ADDING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL BOARDS AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL REGARDING NOTIFICATION AND EDUCATION EFFORTS.	COST ASSOCIATED WITH NOTICE AND POSTER REQUIREMENTS
STUDENTS	09.4261	TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES	LEGAL: HB 208 AMENDS KRS 158.165 PROHIBITING STUDENT USE OF A PERSONAL TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DURING INSTRUCTIONAL TIME WITH SPECIFIC EXCEPTIONS AND AMENDS KRS 156.675 INCLUDING SOCIAL MEDIA IN PROHIBITED MATERIAL TO BE MADE INACCESSIBLE	NONE ANTICIPATED

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