



2025



Legislative

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2025 Legislative Session At-A-Glance

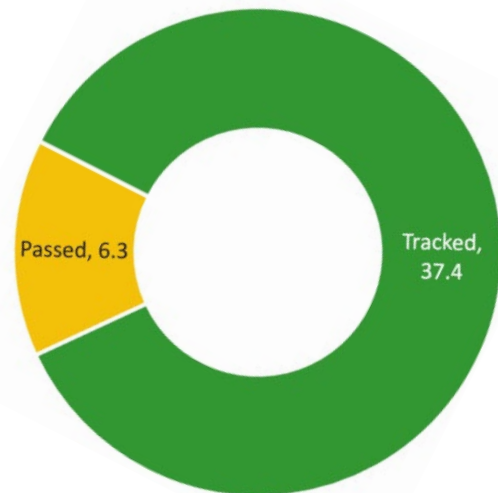
- Total Bills/Resolutions Introduced: 1488

- Senate Total: 581
 - Bills: 313
 - Resolutions: 268
- House Total: 907
 - Bills: 814
 - Resolutions: 93

- Total KAS Ranked Bills: 286 (19.2%)
 - Senate Total: 72
 - House Total: 214

- Total KAS Tracked Bills: 107 (37.4%)
 - Education: 41 (38.32%)
 - Environment: 23 (21.5%)
 - Health: 39 (36.45%)
 - Uncategorized: 4 (3.74%)

- Total KAS Statements: 18
- Team Involvement: 11
- Total Tracked Bills Passed: 18



Education

- KAS tracked 41 bills related to education this year
- 8 bills passed the first chamber
- 4 bills or resolutions were adopted or made into law
- 2 of these bills became law over Governor Beshear's veto
- Main themes included:
 - DEI in education
 - New degree program options
 - Teacher recruitment & retention
 - Performance evaluations in higher education

- Bills that passed included:
 - **House Bill 4:** Prohibits DEI activities in higher education
 - This bill passed over the veto of the governor
 - **Senate Concurrent Resolution 43:** Supports the Crisis Recovery Support Network for schools who experience traumatic events
 - **House Bill 193:** Expands dual credit offerings for high schoolers
 - **House Bill 424:** Removes many tenure protections in higher education
 - This bill passed over the veto of the governor

Environment & Energy

- KAS tracked 23 bills related to the environment and energy this year
- 10 bills passed the first chamber
- 6 bills or resolutions were adopted or made into law
- 2 of these bills became law over Governor Beshear's veto
- Main themes included:
 - Geoengineering
 - Nuclear power
 - Air quality regulations
 - Water regulations
 - PFAS

- Bills that passed included:
 - **House Concurrent Resolution 22:** Declares that nuclear power is a clean method of providing electricity for the Commonwealth
 - **House Bill 24:** Changes the way soil and water conservation services are classified
 - **Senate Bill 89:** Removes protections for much of Kentucky's water
 - This bill passed over the veto of the governor
 - **House Bill 137:** Regulates methods that are allowed to be used to enforce air pollution control requirements
 - **Senate Bill 179:** Establishes the Nuclear Energy Development Grant Program
 - **House Bill 346:** Changes the way emissions fees are allowed to be collected
 - This bill passed over the veto of the governor

Health

- KAS tracked 39 bills related to health this year
- 8 bills passed the first chamber
- 5 bills or resolutions were adopted or made into law
- 1 of these bills passed over the veto of Governor Beshear
- Main themes included:
 - Water fluoridation
 - Parkinson's disease registry
 - Regulation of women's healthcare
 - Regulation of LGBTQ+ healthcare
 - Vaccine requirements
 - Colorectal cancer screening

- Bills that passed included:
 - **House Concurrent Resolution 20:** Directs the Legislative Research Commission to study access to sexual assault nurse examiners
 - **Senate Bill 27:** Establishes the Kentucky Parkinson's Disease Research Registry
 - **Senate Resolution 32:** Supports increased awareness of tick-borne diseases in Kentucky
 - **House Bill 421:** Requires health plans to cover colorectal cancer screening tests that are recommended by the United States Multi-Society Task Force on Colorectal Cancer
 - **House Bill 495:** Effectively overturns the governor's ban on conversion therapy; and additionally, prohibits the use of Medicaid funds on gender transition services
 - This bill passed over the veto of the governor

Looking Back & Looking Ahead

- KAS made 5 more statements on bills in 2025 compared to 2024
- We had a 2.2-fold increase in active participation this year – 11 people in 2025 compared to only 5 in 2024!
- We ranked 59% more bills this year compared to last year – an increase of 117 bills!
- KAS sent 5 action alerts to our entire membership over the 2025 legislative season
- We made direct contact with 13 legislators
- KAS hosted an updated edition of our annual advocacy training. We had 12 participants who made several informational one-pagers about 2025 bills. 5 people attended our Hill Day and met with legislators directly.

- Moving forward into 2026, we expect to see the reintroduction of bills that did not pass this year, including:
 - Water fluoridation
 - Geoengineering
 - PFAS
 - Regulations surrounding vaccination, women’s health, and LGBTQ+ health