

PRO-FAMILY BILLS THAT PASSED

Save Women's Sports Act (SB 83 by Sen. Robby Mills)

included stronger protections for collegiate athletics (HB 23 by Rep. Ryan Dotson)

The Save Women's Sports Act is a common sense law that ensures fairness for Kentucky's female athletes by ensuring biological males do not compete in women's sports, turning women into spectators within their own sports. Biology matters, especially in sports. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed SB 83, but the KY General Assembly overwhelmingly overrode his veto.**

Church is Essential Act (HB 43 by Rep. Shane Baker)

The Church is Essential Act acknowledges churches as essential to the wellbeing of our communities and ensures emergency powers are never again used to target the Commonwealth's churches for worse treatment than other essential businesses and organizations. **After his abuses of power were rebuked by the courts and General Assembly, Gov. Andy Beshear (D) signed HB 43 into law.**

Humanity in Healthcare Act (HB 3 by Rep. Nancy Tate)

included 15-week abortion ban (SB 321 by Sen. Max Wise)

The Humanity in Healthcare Act is a pro-life omnibus bill that includes many important life-saving provisions, including:

- Prohibiting on-demand mail order abortion drugs;
- Ensuring taxpayer funds don't go to organizations conducting abortions or abortion referrals; and
- Providing for the dignified disposal an unborn child's remains.

HB 3 was amended in the Senate to include a 15-week ban on abortion, similar to the one currently at the U.S. Supreme Court, to ensure Kentucky is as pro-life as possible. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed this HB 3, but the KY General Assembly overwhelmingly overrode his veto.**

School Councils Reform (SB 1 by Sen. John Schickel)

included Teaching American Principles Act (SB 138 by Sen. Max Wise)

SB 1 provides long-overdue reforms to school site-based councils, which took away power from parents and taxpayers when established in 1990. Control is returned to elected school boards, which are directly accountable to parents and taxpayers.

The House amended SB 1 to include SB 138, which requires core American documents and speeches be incorporated into social studies standards. No public school employee may be compelled to discuss current events or controversial topics. If they choose to discuss those events or topics, they must explore them from a diverse perspective. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed this bill, but the General Assembly overrode his veto.**

HARMFUL BILLS DEFEATED

Expanded Predatory Gambling (HB 606 by Rep. Adam Koenig)

Gambling advocates sought to expand predatory gambling to include sports wagering, fantasy contests, and online poker. This would have targeted the family, turned athletes into pawns (and targets), threatened to corrupt government, and destroyed the vulnerable. **HB 606 passed the House 58-30, then was stopped in the Senate.**

"Medical" Marijuana (HB 136 by Rep. Jason Nemes)

HB 136 would have legalized so-called "medical" marijuana, without the proper research proving marijuana's efficacy and safety as a medication. This would have opened the door to legalization of recreational marijuana, as it has done in other states. **HB 136 passed the House 59-34, then was stopped in the Senate.**

"Conversion Therapy" Ban (HB 12 by Rep. Lisa Willner/SB 137 by Sen. Alice Forgy Kerr)

HB 12 and SB 137 would have banned the Gospel message that choice exists and change in lifestyle is possible, effectively purging Christian therapists. LGBTQ advocates also described it as the "first step" towards silencing pastors and others.

Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity (HB 11 by Rep. Lisa Willner & HB 15 by Rep. Patti Minter)

HB 11 and HB 15 would have amended Kentucky's nondiscrimination law to include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" as protected classes. Similar LGBTQ laws and ordinances have already been used to discriminate against Christian business owners.

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

Parents' Rights Protection Act (SB 40 by Sen. Steve West)

SB 40 would have protected the fundamental rights of parents to direct their children's destiny, upbringing, and education. The compelling interests of government, such as preventing child abuse and neglect were also recognized and balanced. **The Parents' Rights Protection Act passed the Senate 23-14, with only six days left in the Session. The House took no action.**

Help Not Harm Act (HB 253 by Rep. Savannah Maddox/SB 84 by Sen. Robby Mills)

HB 253 and SB 84 would've protected vulnerable children from transgender "gender modification" procedures and treatments, ensuring they receive help from the medical community rather than harm. **The Help Not Harm Act never received a hearing in any House or Senate committee, the first step in the legislative process.**

Freedom to Serve Act (HB 495 by Rep. Melinda Prunty)

Religious Freedom

HB 495 would have allowed people of faith to serve their communities without government discrimination against their beliefs about marriage, and gender. **House Leadership never assigned HB 495 to a committee, effectively killing the bill.**

Medical & Ethics Diversity Act (HB 570 by Rep. Josh Calloway)

HB 570 would have protected conscience rights within the medical profession, ensuring that no medical professional is forced to violate their oath to "do no harm". **House Leadership never assigned HB 570 to a committee, effectively killing the bill.**