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## **Legislative Report No. 3 2021 Kentucky General Assembly**

Yesterday marked the eighth legislative day of the 2021 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly. There have been a total of 147 senate and 315 house bills and resolutions filed.

The General Assembly will return to Frankfort on February 2 to begin Part II of the session. In the first eight days the General Assembly passed seven pieces of legislation and sent them to Governor Beshear for his consideration. These bills are listed below:

**[HB 1: B. Rowland - AN ACT relating to reopening the economy in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in response to the state of emergency declared by the Governor of Kentucky beginning in March 2020 and continuing throughout the year of 2021 and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[HB 2: J. Fischer - AN ACT relating to medical procedures and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[HB 3: C. Massey - AN ACT relating to civil actions and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[HB 5: M. Meredith - AN ACT relating to reorganizations and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[SB 1: M. Castlen - AN ACT relating to emergencies and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[SB 2: S. West - AN ACT relating to administrative regulations and declaring an emergency.](#)**

**[SB 9: W. Westerfield - AN ACT relating to the protection of born-alive infants and declaring an emergency.](#)**

Also, during the first eight days both the House and Senate passed their version of the state budget ([HB 192](#)). The free conference committee on the budget will begin meeting soon to reach a final agreement on the FY 22 budget.

**Some bills of interest:**

**[SB 3: P. Hornback – AN ACT relating to reorganization and declaring an emergency.](#)**

This bill would remove the Agricultural Development Board and the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation from the Office of the Governor and place it in the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. This bill passed the Senate by a vote of 29-8. This bill has been assigned to the House Agriculture Committee.

**KFB Policy:**

*"We support administration of Ag Development Funds be moved to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and those funds be protected for use for programs that directly impact farm income."*

**[SB 93: J. Howell - AN ACT relating to the State Board of Agriculture.](#)**

This bill would authorize the Commissioner of Agriculture to appoint members of the State Board of Agriculture.

**HOW TO CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS**

During the week, you may reach your representative and senator in Frankfort by calling 502.564.8100.

If you do not desire to talk to your state legislator immediately or you just want to leave a message, you may dial toll-free 800.372.7181. An answering service will take your message for your representative or senator. The legislative calendar information line is 800.633.9650, the bill status line is 866.840.2835, and the Governor's office number is 502.564.2611.

If you desire to e-mail your representative or senator, [click here](#) for a list of e-mail addresses for members of the Kentucky General Assembly. Find your legislator and click on his or her name to access their e-mail address.

**YOUR LOBBYISTS**

The following are registered to lobby for Kentucky Farm Bureau for the 2021 session: Jeff Harper, Public Affairs Director, extension 5104; Kyle Kelly, extension 7417; and Drew Graham, extension 5121. If you

would like to call your lobbyists during the evening, call 502.495.5000 and key in their extensions.

If you would like to contact one of your lobbyists during the day, please call Katie Weatherholt at 502.493.7669 and she will put you in touch with one of them.

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