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2013 SPECIAL SESSION OF THE KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Kentucky General Assembly concluded their Extraordinary Session last Friday. They finalized the redistricting map of the legislative districts of the Kentucky General Assembly, <u>HB 1</u>, in five days the minimum number of days required to pass a piece of legislation. The bill passed the House 83-17 and the Senate 35-2. Governor Beshear signed the bill last Friday and since <u>HB 1</u> contained an emergency clause this legislation took effect immediately.

The House map divides 24 counties into multiple districts and adds one district to Jefferson County. Eight incumbents will be paired against each other: Rep. Rocky Adkins and Rep. Kevin Sinnette in District 100, Rep. John Will Stacy and Rep. Hubert Collins in District 97, Rep. Jim DeCesare and Rep. C.B. Embry in District 17 and Rep. Myron Dossett and Rep. Ben Waide in District 9. Here is a link to the new House districts: http://www.lrc.ky.gov/GIS/pdf/HH001M01c.pdf

The Senate map divides three counties and no incumbents were placed into the same district. Here is a link to the new Senate districts: http://www.lrc.ky.gov/GIS/pdf/SH001A02c.pdf

As a result of redistricting several counties are now represented by a new State Representative and/or a new State Senator. With the 2014 session of the General Assembly just four months away it is critically important that you meet with your members of the General Assembly to discuss our priority issues.

Also during this special session the Senate also passed <u>SR 25</u> by voice vote. This resolution regarding the siting and construction of natural gas liquids pipelines states:

The Public Service Commission is urged to examine this issue closely, determine what agencies have oversight responsibility and if there are gaps, take immediate action to fill those gaps and that the entities engaged in property acquisition are urged to negotiate with landowners and reach agreement without any use or threat of condemnation.

CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS

You can reach your senator and representative by calling 502.564.8100 or 800.372.7181 to leave a message, or send a fax to 502.564.6543. The legislative calendar information line is 800.633.9650, and the bill status line is 866.840.2835. Governor Beshear's office number is 502.564.2611.

YOUR LOBBYISTS

Those who are registered to lobby for Kentucky Farm Bureau for the 2013 session are: Jeff Harper, extension 5104; Bryan Alvey, extension 7218; Tony Sholar, extension 5121; Beth Wisman, extension 5105; and David S. Beck, extension 5101. If you would like to call your lobbyists during the evening, call 502.352.4280 at the Frankfort headquarters or call 502.495.5000 and key in their extensions. If you would like to contact one of your lobbyists during the day, please call Sara Stivers at 502.495.5121 and she will put you in touch with one of them.

Note: The Legislative Report and KFB's Priority Issues are also included on KFB's website at kyfb.com

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