



# KENTUCKY COUNCIL ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

## Kentucky General Assembly 2011 Regular Session Key Postsecondary Legislation Summary

**Postsecondary Education Residency Requirements**—[HB 112](#) (Lee) would prohibit postsecondary education institutions from admitting anyone who is not a U.S. citizen, national, or permanent resident, and would limit state scholarships to citizens, national, or permanent residents.

**Regulation of For-Profit Institutions**—[HB 125](#) (Meeks) would transfer supervision of any private for-profit postsecondary educational institution offering an associate degree or higher from the State Board for Proprietary Education to the CPE and changes the make-up of the Proprietary Education.

**College Student Financial Awareness**—[HB 133](#) (Glenn) would require public postsecondary institutions to provide new undergraduates with information regarding credit cards and debt management and encourage them to conduct informational sessions.

**Postsecondary Capital Projects**—[HB 198](#) (Damron, Flood) would provide an interim process for the approval of certain cash-funded capital projects, subject to approval by the governing board and the Council on Postsecondary Education and other restrictions.

**Doctoral Programs in Physical Therapy**—[HB 209](#) (Richards) would permit Western Kentucky University to offer doctorates in physical therapy with the approval of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

**School Dropout Prevention**—[HB 225](#) (Greer) would require compulsory attendance for children ages 6 to 17 by July 1, 2015, and for children ages 6 to 18 by July 1, 2016.

**Amendment to the 2010-12 Executive Branch Budget** – [HB 305](#) (Rand) addresses the Medicaid funding gap and also addresses the federal Education Jobs maintenance of effort requirement regarding postsecondary education institutions.

**Academic Achievement of African-American Male Students**—[HCR 15](#) (Rollins) would direct the LRC to study the factors affecting the academic achievement of African-American male students in the public schools of the Commonwealth and the characteristics of schools that are effective in producing high levels of achievement for this population.

**Career and Technical Education**—[SB 36](#) (Westwood) would express legislative goals for secondary career and technical education; require KDE to issue core content standards, assess student progress, and develop new courses relevant to college and career readiness; provide for the creation and use of evidence-based models assessing the needs of at-risk students; establish a career and technical education accessibility fund; address unmet needs for career and technical education; and add criteria to the assessment of technical education students.

**University Undergraduate Completion**—[SB 37](#) (Shaughnessy) would create in statute goals, strategies, timelines, and reporting requirements for postsecondary education institutions around the enrollment, retention, and completion of postsecondary students.

**Early High School Graduation**—[SB 69](#) (Winters) would establish the option for early high school graduation beginning in the 2012-13 school year; define the curriculum requirements for early graduation and admission into a Kentucky public two-year institution or four-year university; and establish the Early Graduation Scholarship Certificate and scholarship fund to be administered by KHEAA.