

Public Notice

Legislative Update by Rep. Aaron Thompson

Session Results: Health Services

During the 2025 Regular Session, lawmakers prioritized improving healthcare and expanding access for all Kentuckians. The General Assembly passed impactful legislation to strengthen care statewide and support our dedicated healthcare workforce. A healthier population is key to a stronger, more prosperous Kentucky.

As we look ahead to the upcoming interim meetings, I want to highlight several important measures from the House Standing Committee on Health Services that are now law:

Expanding Funding Opportunities for Ambulance Providers: HB 152 allows eligible public ground ambulance providers to receive additional federal funding for transporting Medicaid patients by creating a voluntary Medicaid supplemental payment program for public ground ambulance providers.

Improving Emergency Response to Sexual Assault: HB 219 mandates that hospitals offering emergency services develop and provide training for emergency department staff on sexual assault emergency response requirements, protocols, and resources.

Helping Military Healthcare Personnel Transition to Civilian Careers: HB 303 directs the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to develop pathways and programs to reduce the time needed to earn healthcare credentials.

Ensuring Uninterrupted Patient Care: HB 501 creates guidelines for the care of pharmacy patients when a prescribing physician dies.

Ensuring Proper Use of Opioid Settlement Funds: HB 537 strengthens oversight of the Opioid Abatement Trust Fund, ensuring that financial resources are directed toward evidence-based treatment, recovery services, crisis intervention, and other programs that provide real solutions for those struggling with addiction.

Modernizing Medicaid Services: HB 695 establishes a work requirement for recipients who are physically able and not directly providing care to a child or disabled adult; moves the pharmacy rebate fund to the Medicaid program, and introduces data collection and submittal requirements for Medicaid services, specifically behavioral health, and managed care.

Improving Support for Sexual Assault Survivors: HCR 20 directs the Legislative Research Commission to study access to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) in emergency care settings.

Improving Support for Kentuckians with Parkinson's: SB 27 creates a Parkinson's Disease Research Registry, and advisory committee, in order to confidentially collect data to improve treatment and research.

Improving Medicaid Efficiency: SB 25 creates the Medicaid Oversight Advisory Board, a legislative panel comprised of stakeholders and aimed at improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the taxpayer-funded health insurance program for the poor and

those with ongoing conditions.

Improving Access to Pharmacy Providers: SJR 26 directs the Department for Medicaid Services to provide the legislature with a report regarding pharmacist payment parity.

Although these measures are law, Section 55 of the Kentucky Constitution states that, unless a bill includes an emergency clause or a specified effective date, it takes effect 90 days after the legislature adjourns. This year, most new laws will take effect on June 27.

Across Kentucky—from doctor's offices to state-of-the-art hospitals—dedicated professionals work to ensure access to quality care. Throughout our history, we have expanded healthcare because good health is key to a stronger future and a thriving state. This session, we focused on improving access.

Challenges remain, but we're continuing to invest in hospitals, providers, and communities so Kentuckians can live healthier lives. Healthcare has shaped our past and present, and by strengthening it today, we're building a healthier tomorrow for all.

As always, I can be reached anytime through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via email at Aaron.Thompson@kylegislature.gov and keep track through the Kentucky legislature's website at legislature.ky.gov.

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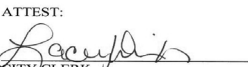
CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above caption and Ordinance is titled as set forth above and has been reviewed by the undersigned, who is an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.


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ADOPTED ON THE 13 day of May, 2025 by the City Council of the City of Greenup, Kentucky.

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK


MAYOR, CITY OF GREENUP, KENTUCKY

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State to get \$1.5 million for recovery housing

Kentucky Health News

LEXINGTON - Kentucky is set to receive \$1,501,532 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for its Recovery Housing Program, U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., announced May 12.

The program was created by McConnell's Comprehensive Addiction Recovery through the Effective Employment and Reentry (CAREER) Act.

In 2018, McConnell and Congressman Andy Barr, R-Lexington, introduced the CAREER Act, which was signed into law as part of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act. In February, they introduced the CAREER Act of 2025 to enhance the workforce reentry and recovery housing programs created in the 2018 law, according to a news release.

Since becoming law, the CAREER Act has directed nearly \$12.5 million to the state, helping hundreds of Kentuckians recovering from substance use disorder.

The Recovery Housing Program,

established within this legislation, is a transitional housing pilot program to help states increase access to safe transitional housing for individuals in addiction recovery while they rehabilitate and reenter the workforce.

“Our nation’s substance abuse epidemic has claimed countless lives in communities across the commonwealth,” McConnell said in the release.

“The CAREER Act is a crucial tool in our fight to end this crisis, targeting resources into lifesaving organizations that support Kentuckians’ recovery and their reentry into the workforce. I’ve been proud to champion CAREER Act funding over the years, and support these organizations’ heroic efforts as they help Kentuckians break free from addiction.”

HUD will allocate the funding to the Kentucky Department for Local Government, which will then select specific funding recipients. In past years, these federal funds have gone toward building out capacity and access to effective recovery housing across the commonwealth.

Hospital grading scores are released by Leapfrog group

*By Melissa Patrick
Kentucky Health News*

Again, most of the Kentucky hospitals graded on a nonprofit group’s twice-a-year report card for patient safety got a C in the latest report.

The Leapfrog Group, based in Washington, D.C., rates nearly 3,000 general acute-care hospitals based on how well they protect patients. Most of Kentucky’s 126 hospitals are relatively small, so they are not rated by Leapfrog; it rated 60 Kentucky hospitals.

The group does not grade small hospitals with “critical access” status because they don’t have to report quality measures to the federal government, nor does it grade specialty hospitals, government hospitals, or hospitals that don’t have enough publicly reported data.

In its latest report, released May 1, Leapfrog gave “A” ratings to 14 Kentucky hospitals; Kentucky’s percentage of A grades, 23.3%, ranked 36th among states, tying with Kansas for that ranking. That was a big drop from the last report, when it ranked

22nd. Leapfrog gave Bs to 19 Kentucky hospitals, Cs to 23 and Ds to four.

The grades are based on up to 30 measures that indicate how well hospitals protect patients from preventable errors, injuries, accidents and infections.

Hospitals getting As were Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville, Baptist Health Richmond, Blanchfield Army Community Hospital in Fort Campbell, Clark Regional Medical Center in Winchester, Harrison Memorial Hospital in Cynthiana, Meadowview Regional Medical Center in Maysville, Medical Center in Bowling Green, Spring View Hospital in Lebanon, St. Elizabeth Healthcare- Ft. Thomas, St. Elizabeth Healthcare-Edgewood, St. Elizabeth Healthcare-Florence, T.J. Samson Community Hospital in Glasgow, Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa and U of L Health Shelbyville Hospital.

Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville got an A on the spring report card, after years of getting Bs and Cs.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY GREENUP CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I ACTION NO. 25-CI-00008

PEOPLES BANK

PLAINTIFF

VS.

TUCKER LEE MCCORMICK, ET AL

DEFENDANTS

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the above styled action on May 15, 2025, I will on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at the hour of 1:00 p.m., offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder on the second floor of the Greenup County Courthouse at Greenup, Kentucky, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Property Address: 404 Kenwood Drive, Russell, KY 41169
Parcel ID#: 186-20-05-030.00

Being part of Lot No. 30 of the Kenwood Acre Tracts, located in Greenup County, Kentucky, on the Bellefonte-Russell Road, as laid out by Fred W. Gesling, C.E. and shown on Plat dated December 5, 1945, the same to be recorded in Greenup County, Kentucky, Court Clerk Minutes Office. Beginning at a concrete monument in the north right-of-way line of the Bellefonte-Russell Road, which point is 934.52 feet southwesterly from the westerly right-of-way line of Kentucky and West Virginia Power Co., which point is also corner to Lot 31; thence with line of Lot 31, North 52 degrees 07 minutes West, a distance of 423.80 feet to a concrete monument; thence North 37 degrees 53 minutes East, a distance of 119.99 feet to the property of Ernest Skaggs and Maxine Skaggs; thence with the property of Ernest Skaggs South 48 degrees 52 minutes East, a distance of 430.50 feet to the Bellefonte-Russell Road; thence along the North side of Bellefonte-Russell Road in a southwesterly direction along the arc of a curve having a radius of 603.55 feet, a distance of 80.88 feet; thence further along the Bellefonte-Russell Road South 37 degrees 53 minutes West, a distance of 15 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Tucker Lee McCormick, single, by Deed recorded March 16, 2023, in Deed Book 665, Page 189, Greenup County Court Clerk's Records.

The above described property shall be sold as a whole on terms of cash or on a credit of thirty (30) days. If sold on terms of credit, the purchaser shall be required to make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price and shall execute a bond with good surety for the remaining balance, said bond being payable to the Master Commissioner and shall bear interest at the rate the Judgment herein bears from the date of the sale until paid and shall have the force and effect of a judgment, upon which execution may issue, if not paid at maturity. A lien shall be retained upon the real estate so sold as additional security. The purchaser shall be responsible for paying the real estate property taxes for the tax year in which they purchase the property.

Out of the proceeds derived from the sale herein, the Master Commissioner shall retain the same until further Orders of the Court. Reference is hereby made to all proceedings in this case now on file with the Clerk of the Greenup Circuit Court, Greenup, Kentucky, this the 15th day of May, 2025.

/s/ Reagan Reed
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