

Public Notice

Elective inmate care law challenge refused

*By Sarah Ladd
Kentucky Lantern*

LEXINGTON - A Kentucky judge has declined to issue a preliminary injunction in a case challenging a new state law that blocks the use of public funds for inmates’ elective medical treatments and takes 67 transgender inmates off hormone therapy.

U.S. District Judge Gregory F. Van Tatenhove said in his Friday ruling that the American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky, which is representing an incarcerated person, “has not shown at this preliminary stage a constitutional violation that warrants enjoining the enforcement.”

Court documents say the ACLU’s client, Marcum, was “diagnosed with gender dysphoria and placed on HRT five years prior” to incarceration. HRT refers to hormone replacement therapy.

The ruling says that the client was ineligible to receive HRT post-sentencing due to not being on it when entering Department of Corrections custody.

“This decision is disappointing, but we will continue to litigate our case on behalf of Ms. Marcum

and all transgender people who are incarcerated in Kentucky.” Corey Shapiro, legal director for the ACLU of Kentucky, said in a statement. “We will continue to demonstrate to the court how this cruel policy violates our clients’ right to receive medically necessary healthcare.”

The ACLU is challenging Senate Bill 2 from the 2025 legislative session, saying it violates the Eighth Amendment, which prohibits the use of cruel and unusual punishment.

The law, a high priority in the Republican-controlled legislature, says public dollars cannot be used to fund a “cosmetic service or elective procedure” for Kentucky inmates. It also says if a health care provider documents that ending a treatment would harm an inmate, use of the drug or hormone may be “systematically reduced and eliminated.”

Gov. Andy Beshear, a Democrat, let it become law without his signature.

The case will continue, an ACLU spokeswoman said. This ruling means the law will be in effect as the case makes its way through the courts.

Pain is reason for medical marijuana need

*By Melissa Patrick
Ky. Health News*

Chronic pain is the No. 1 reason why people apply for a medical marijuana card in Kentucky, Margaret Vancampen reports for WHAS11 in Louisville.

“The No. 1 condition the office is seeing is chronic pain, followed by post-traumatic stress disorder, cancer, multiple sclerosis, chronic nausea and seizure disorder,” according to data received by WHAS in an open records request to the state’s Office of Medical Cannabis.

Kentucky’s law limiting its medical marijuana to state residents living with at least one of six qualifying medical conditions, including cancer of any type or form, epilepsy and other intractable seizure disorders, chronic or severe pain, multiple sclerosis, muscle spasms and spasticity, post-traumatic stress

disorder (PTSD), and chronic nausea or cyclical vomiting syndrome.

A spokesperson from the governor’s office told Vancampen that, as of Sept. 15, 13,925 Kentuckians had been approved for a medical cannabis card, with just over 90 of them “caregivers” of people who help patients with purchasing and administering it. And, medical cannabis practitioners have submitted “almost 20,320” electronic written certifications.

At a Sept. 4 news conference, Gov. Andy Beshear said while the dispensaries are waiting on the cultivators and processors, he believes they will be operating by the end of the year.

He said, “I think everybody is working as hard and as fast as they can, but they’re wanting to make sure they do it right as well.”

State hospital association launching campaign on violence against workers

*By Mellisa Patrick
Ky. Health News*

LEXINGTON - The Kentucky Hospital Association and its 129 member hospitals have launched a new public service announcement aimed at raising awareness about violence against hospital and health care employees. They are also working to mobilize support to end the violence.

“Violence in health care settings has reached alarming levels nationwide, with frontline workers – nurses, doctors, technicians, and support staff – facing verbal abuse, threats, and even physical assaults while providing essential care,” according to a news release. “This campaign shines a spotlight on their experiences and educates patients, their families and visitors on the consequences of these actions.”

Under Kentucky law, any assault against a health care worker occurring in a health care setting qualifies as a Class D felony, punishable by one to five years in prison, and during declared emergencies, the offense may be elevated to a Class C felony, carrying penalties of five to 10 years.

“The hardworking professionals in our hospitals deserve safe workplaces,” KHA President and CEO Nancy Galvagni said in the release. “This PSA reminds us that respect and safety are not optional – they’re essential for quality care and for the people who dedicate their lives to saving others.”

The PSA is available for viewing and sharing at <https://www.kyha.com/workforce>.

“This campaign is a call to action,” Galvagni said. “Every share, every conversation and every step toward respect makes a difference.”

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NOTICE TO BID

The City of Raceland, KY (Owner) is accepting sealed bids for materials for a water and sanitary sewer extension project on Legion Drive. Plans, Bid Specifications, the bid form for the improvements can be examined, and obtained at the City of Raceland City Building located at 711 Chinn Street, Raceland, KY 41169, Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Bids are being accepted from the date of this advertisement until October 9, 2025 at 2:00 PM for products, water and sewer line materials as set forth in the Form of Bid Proposal. Bids will be opened and read aloud on that date/times. Bids are to be turned in to the Raceland City Building, 711 Chinn Street, Raceland, KY 41169 on or before the bid deadline.

Bidders must comply with the President’s Executive Order No. 11246 (Equal Employment Opportunity), which prohibits discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidders must also comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Anti-Kickback Act, Section 504, Drug free Workplace, Executive Order 12549, and the Contract Work Hours Standards Act, and 40CFR 31.36 L(3,4 & 6)

The sealed envelope containing the Bidder Information and Form of Proposal must have the following information clearly printed or typed on the front lower right hand corner:

“Materials Bid- City of Raceland Legion Drive Water/Sewer Extension Project”
Submitted by: (insert name & address of bidder).”

All required information must be included in the envelope for the bid to be considered responsive.

No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of 45 days following the date of receipt of bids. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, or to accept any bid which may be deemed in the best interest of the City of Raceland.

Any contract awarded under this Invitation for Bids are expected to be funded by the KY Infrastructure Authority . Neither the State of Kentucky nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resultant contract.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
GREENUP CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION I
ACTION NO. 24-CI-00333

RTLF-KY, LLC

VS.

JENNIFER NICKEL, ET AL

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the above styled action on August 28, 2025, I will on Tuesday, October 14, 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: 44 Shared Drive, South Shore, KY 41175
Parcel ID#: 067-30-02-089.00

At a set stone in the center of the branch a corner to the property of Hunt; thence in a northeasterly direction 130 feet to a point; thence in a northwesterly direction 180 feet to a point; thence in a westerly direction 131 feet to a point in the branch in the Taylor Ratliff line; thence with the meanders of the branch 228 feet in a southeasterly direction back to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Jennifer Nickel, by Deed dated June 13, 2018, and recorded in Deed Book 623, Page 352, 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 12th day of September, 2025.

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