

## **ALCOHOL-RELATED BILLS:**

### **ENACTED INTO LAW**

1. **HB415** passed the Senate 22-11 on 03/26/20, and passed the House 52-33 w/ HCS, HFA2, HFA7, & HFA8 on 03/18/20, and was delivered to the Governor on 03/26/20 (permits direct-to-consumer shipment of all types of alcoholic beverages by KY & out-of-state licensed manufacturers, distributors, & packaged retailers)
2. **SB150** passed House 84-0 w/ HCS & HCA(1) on 03/19/20, passed Senate 30-0 on 03/26/20, was enacted into law w/o Governor's signature on 04/08/20 (HCS– deletes original provisions & provides emergency relief for citizens & businesses during the COVID-19 state of emergency to permit liquor by-the-drink sales at eligible establishments)
3. **SFY 2021 Budget** - The Governor vetoed a tax code change to treat breweries & distilleries like other manufacturers, letting them qualify for an “expanded industry credit” sales tax exemption for taproom equipment. [Bloomberg.com](https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-04-14/kentucky-governor-vetoes-budget-bills), 04/14/20

### **PASSED AT LEAST ONE HOUSE:**

1. **HB426** passed House 84-5 w/ [HFA2](#) on 03/10/20 (allow cities & counties to impose a reg. licensing fee)
2. **SB74** passed Senate 31-4 w/ [SCS 01/28/20](#) (DUI death/injury case restriction removed on issuing search warrants)
3. **SB99** passed the Senate 27-7 w/ SCS, SCA1, & SFA1 on 02/03/20, passed the House 65-23 w/ HCS, HFA2, & HFA3 on 04/14/20 (removes the sunset provision for local option for elections for distilleries)

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## **TOBACCO & VAPOR PRODUCT-RELATED BILLS:**

### **ENACTED INTO LAW**

1. **SB56** passed the Senate 28-10 w/ SCS, SFA1, & SFA2 on 01/23/20, passed the House 64-20, and was signed by the Governor on 03/26/20 (prohibit the sale of tobacco, alternative nicotine, and vapor products persons under age 21, which brings KY into compliance with the federal law. This changed one existing tobacco Statutes – 438.311, which mandates penalties for youth caught in possession)

### **PASSED AT LEAST ONE HOUSE:**

1. **HB32** passed House 75-17 w/ HCS & HFA1 on 02/26/20 (imposes excise tax on vapor products & floor stock tax)
2. **HB351** passed House 57-34 w/ HCS on 03/06/20, passed the Senate 20-8-5 w/ SCS2 & SCA on 04/01/20, House concurred on SCS2 & SCA, & the Governor vetoed line items on 04/13/20 (increases surtax on cigarettes & excise tax on chewing tobacco, snuff & tobacco products, & imposes an excise tax on vapor products. The bill taxes electronic cigarettes, like open vaping systems typically sold in vape shops, at 15% (\$1.50). Health advocates say it will decrease young people's use of the products by increasing the price. E-cigarettes are the only tobacco product sold in KY currently not subject to an excise tax. HB351 is considered the revenue vehicle for KY's budget package (HB352), including \$50M in increased taxes on tobacco products and will tax vaping products at 25% of wholesale price [Bloomberg.com](https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-04-15/kentucky-governor-vetoes-budget-bills), 4/15/20)

## **CANNABIS-RELATED BILLS:**

### **ENACTED INTO LAW**

1. **HB236** passed the House 70-17 on 01/21/20, passed the Senate 37-0 w/ SFA1 on 01/30/20 and House concurred in SFA1 85-4 on 02/03/20, and was signed by the Governor on 02/10/20 (allows Dept. of Ag. to establish hemp testing procedures, & sets requirements for transportation of hemp/ hemp products)

### **PASSED AT LEAST ONE HOUSE:**

1. **HB136** with 51 sponsors passed the House 65-30 w/ HCS, HFA3, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, & HCA (legalize medical marijuana, including a restriction on smoking cannabis)
2. **HB593** passed the House 44-40 on 03/19/20 (establishes labeling requirements for cannabidiol products)
3. **HCR57** passed the House 90-0 on 02/11/20 (urges Congress to reassess the federal definition of hemp, allowing it to contain up to 1% THC)

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## **OPIOID & OTHER ILLICIT DRUG PREVENTION-RELATED BILLS:**

### **ENACTED INTO LAW - NONE**

### **PASSED AT LEAST ONE HOUSE:**

1. **SB173** passed the Senate 31-0 w/ SCS & SFA4 on 03/18/20 (encourages employment of workers who participate in employer-sponsored substance use disorder treatment)

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## **MENTAL HEALTH & SUICIDE PREVENTION-RELATED BILLS:**

### **ENACTED INTO LAW**

1. **HB59** passed the House 86-0 on 02/07/20, the Senate 34-0 on 03/09/20, and was signed by the Governor on 03/17/20 (Designate the Wednesday of National Farm Safety Week, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of September, as “Farmer Suicide Prevention Day”)
2. **HB153** with 57 sponsors passed the House 93-0 on 01/23/20, passed the Senate 34-0 w/ SCS & SFA1 on 03/12/20, was concurred by the House 82-1 w/ SCS & SFA1 on 03/18/20, and signed by the Governor on 03/27/20 (establish a Mental Health First Aid Training Program)
3. **SB8** passed the Senate 34-1 on 01/27/20, passed the House 78-8 on 02/07/20, and was signed by the Governor on 02/21/20 (School Safety Bill, specifies with regard to mental health the goal is to have at least one school counselor per public school or school-based mental health services provider for every 250 students)
4. **SB42** passed Senate 34-1 on 02/06/20, passed the House 79-5 on 03/19/20, and was signed by the Governor on 03/27/20 (requires student ID badges at public middle & high schools and private or public postsecondary institutions to contain the national crisis hotlines for domestic violence, sexual assault, & suicide)

### **PASSED AT LEAST ONE HOUSE:**

1. **HB213** passed the House 95-0 on 01/28/20 (mental health professionals may provide outpatient counseling to an unaccompanied youth age 16 or older)
2. **HCR49** passed House 94-0 on 02/05/20 (creates the Severe Mental Illness Task Force to study mental health services to adults)