

1 AN ACT relating to road safety.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 512.070 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) A person is guilty of criminal littering when he or she:
- 5 (a) Drops or permits to drop on a highway any destructive or injurious material,
- 6 including unsafe amounts of mowed grass, and does not immediately
- 7 remove it; or
- 8 (b) Knowingly places or throws litter on any public or private property or in any
- 9 public or private water without permission; or
- 10 (c) Negligently places or throws glass or other dangerous pointed or edged
- 11 substances on or adjacent to water to which the public has access for
- 12 swimming or wading or on or within fifty (50) feet of a public highway; or
- 13 (d) Discharges sewage, minerals, oil products, or litter into any public waters or
- 14 lakes within the state.
- 15 (2) Criminal littering is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 16 (3) Violators may prepay to the Circuit Court clerk if prepayment is so noted on the
- 17 citation and if the littering offense is not combined with an offense that is not
- 18 prepayable.
- 19 (4) Notwithstanding any language or provision of this section or KRS 65.8808(3) to the
- 20 contrary, the legislative body of a local government may, by ordinance, choose to
- 21 classify the offenses proscribed in subsection (1) of this section as civil offenses in
- 22 accordance with KRS 65.8808.