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A lady drops her handbag in the bustle of holiday shopping. An honest little boy notices her drop the handbag, so he picks it up and returns it to her. The lady looks into her handbag and commented, "Hmm . . . That's funny. When I lost my bag there was a \$20 bill in it. Now there are twenty \$1 bills."

The boy quickly replies, "That's right, lady. The last time I found a purse, the owner didn't have any change for a reward."

Loafing On The Store Porch

A stranger stops in to loaf around at Needmore Store and is sitting on the porch with Junior and Howard Green. "Let's talk," says the stranger. "I've heard there's some healthy conversation that goes on here on this porch."

Junior turns to the stranger and says, "What is that you would like to talk about?"

"Oh, I don't know," said the stranger. "How about

nuclear power?"

"OK," said Junior. "That could be an interesting topic. But let me ask you a question first. 'A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat grass. The same stuff. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps of dried grass.' Why do you suppose that is?"

"Well," says the stranger. "I have no idea."

"Well, then," said Junior, "How is it that you feel qualified to discuss nuclear power when you don't know crap?'

Too Much To Drink

Mitsy and Barbie have too much to drink at the bar and cause problems, so the owner has to call the law. They burst out the door running as they hear the sirens of cop cars coming closer. The two dive into two separate bushes hoping they won't get caught. Soon, the cop cars stop near the bushes and the two girls are hearing foot steps and grow more nervous. They can't find Barbie, but a cop grabs Mitsy and yells, "Busted." As he drags the her off to the car, Mitsy looks back at a bush and says, "Come on Barbie!!!!!!!! They got us!"

Losing A Pastor

The pastor shocks the congregation when he announces that he was resigning from the church and moving to a drier climate. After the service, a very distraught lady comes to the pastor with tears in her eyes, "Oh, Pastor Bob, we are going to miss you so much. We don't want you to leave!"

The kind hearted pastor pats her hand and says "Now, now, Carolyn, don't carry on. The pastor who takes my place might be even better than me."

"Yeah," she says, with a tone of disappointment in her voice, "That's what they said the last time too ..."

Dog Gone It

A man walks into the office of the eminent psychiatrist Dr. Von Bernuth, and sits down to explain his problem. "Doctor, doctor!" he starts.

"No need to repeat yourself, my good man," replies the doctor. "One 'doctor' is enough."

"Yes, well, you see, I've got this problem," the man continues. "I keep hallucinating that I'm a dog. A large, white, hairy Pyrenees mountain dog. It's crazy. I don't know what to do!"

"A common canine complex," says the doctor soothingly. "Come over here and lie down on the couch."

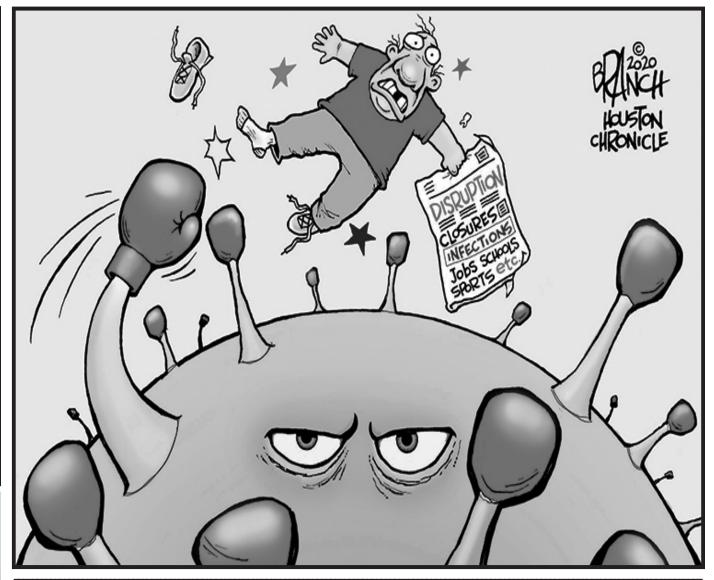
"Oh no, Doctor. I'm not allowed up on the furniture."

New Driver

A young man has just received his brand new drivers license. To celebrate, the whole family troops out to the driveway and climbs into the car for his inaugural drive. Dad immediately heads to the back seat, directly behind the newly minted driver.

"I'll bet you're back there to get a change of scenery after all those months of sitting in the front passenger seat teaching me how to drive," says the beaming boy to his 'old man.'

"Nope," comes dad's reply, "I'm gonna sit back here and kick the back of your seat while you drive, just like you've been doing to me for sixteen years."



This Week at the State Capitol - March 16-20, 2020

No one knew our lives would change in such a short time

time that the Kentucky House of Representatives approved a proposed state budget on March 6 and the are closed due to the health-related state of emergency.

grew from 1 to 47 and claimed the lives of two Kentuckians. "Social distancing," became part of our lexicon. To prevent the spread of the virus, schools closed, along

The legislation would allow a sch with theaters and gyms. Restaurants stopped serving all but carry out. Nursing homes and prisons stopped allowing visitors. Visitors were restricted from the Capitol Campus. Universities sent students home. The stock allowing schools to continue to offer free lunches to stumarket plummeted.

Against this backdrop, the Senate passed its version of the budget on Thursday on a 24-7 vote. Soon after, and Senate Bill 177 has been approved by both the House and Senate. It now goes the governor to be signed into the Kentucky General Assembly began a break in this law. year's legislative session, prompted by COVID-19 concerns. Lawmakers are expected to return to the Capitol on March 26. In the days to come, lawmakers will work as few days as possible, legislative leaders announced on Thursday that they would not convene on all the days altoward ironing out differences between the Senate and lowed by the state constitution between now and April House versions of the state budget so that an agreedupon plan that can be sent to the governor before the before starting a veto recess that will last until the sessession ends.

Just like the budget approved by the House, the Sentwo fiscal years. Both proposals provide school safety toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181. funding that has been a top priority for many lawmakers since they approved a landmark school safety bill last year. Similar to the House plan, the budget just approved by the Senate would provide \$18 million for school facility upgrades and \$49 million to hire more mental health professionals to support school safety efforts.

The Senate budget proposes raising the state's perpupil funding to \$4,161 in each of the next two fiscal years, with a portion of that money earmarked for textbooks and other instructional materials and another portion held in reserve until revenue estimates have been reached.

The Senate's state budget plan would also boost funding for the state's Rainy Day Fund to \$525 million.

In other business, lawmakers approved a measure on Thursday to offer emergency relief to school districts that have been impacted by the COVID-19 concerns.

Jackson Energy Continues to Put Safety First While Caring for its Members

ergy is continuing to take not stop. proactive measures with the its employees as we have for our membership.

safety of our employees, our members and our community. Jackson Energy is steadguidelines to limit face-toface contact and practice social distancing. In addition, Jackson Energy employees health procedures in our daily business practices, such as, increasing the frequenwearing protective gloves, disinfecting workstations and vehicles.

implemented a controlled ployees who remain in the 7480.

As COVID-19 continues office and field operation to spread across Kentucky personnel to ensure essential and the nation, Jackson En-service to its members will

"With the uncertainty same care and concern for created by the coronavirus pandemic, we know that the people we serve are fac-Our main priority is the ing many concerns and unknowns," says Carol Wright, President & CEO. "Jackson Energy is dedicated to findfast in following the Center ing the best solutions for our for Disease Control (CDC) membership while ensuring the continued safety of our employees and our members during this difficult time."

Jackson Energy will conhave implemented elevated tinue to take care of day-today activities and answer any inquiries the members may have and by working togethcy of using hand sanitizer, er – we will get through this challenging time.

As members are encouraged to stay home if pos-Even though we have sible, rest assure that should any questions or issues arise, change in operations over Jackson Energy is here for the past week, Jackson En- you. Please visit our webergy will continue to utilize site at www.jacksonenergy. our remote workforce, em- com or call us at 1-800-262-

FRANKFORT -- Thirteen days passed between the Senate Bill 177 would allow school districts to use additional nontraditional instructional days when schools day the state Senate passed its preferred version of the spending plan this week.

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The legislation would allow a school district without a nontraditional instructional plan to submit such a plan for the state's approval. The bill also contains other emergency relief measures for school districts, such as dents who need them.

In an effort to wrap up the 2020 legislative session in 15. Instead, they will convene on March 26 and April 1 sion's final days on April 14 and 15.

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