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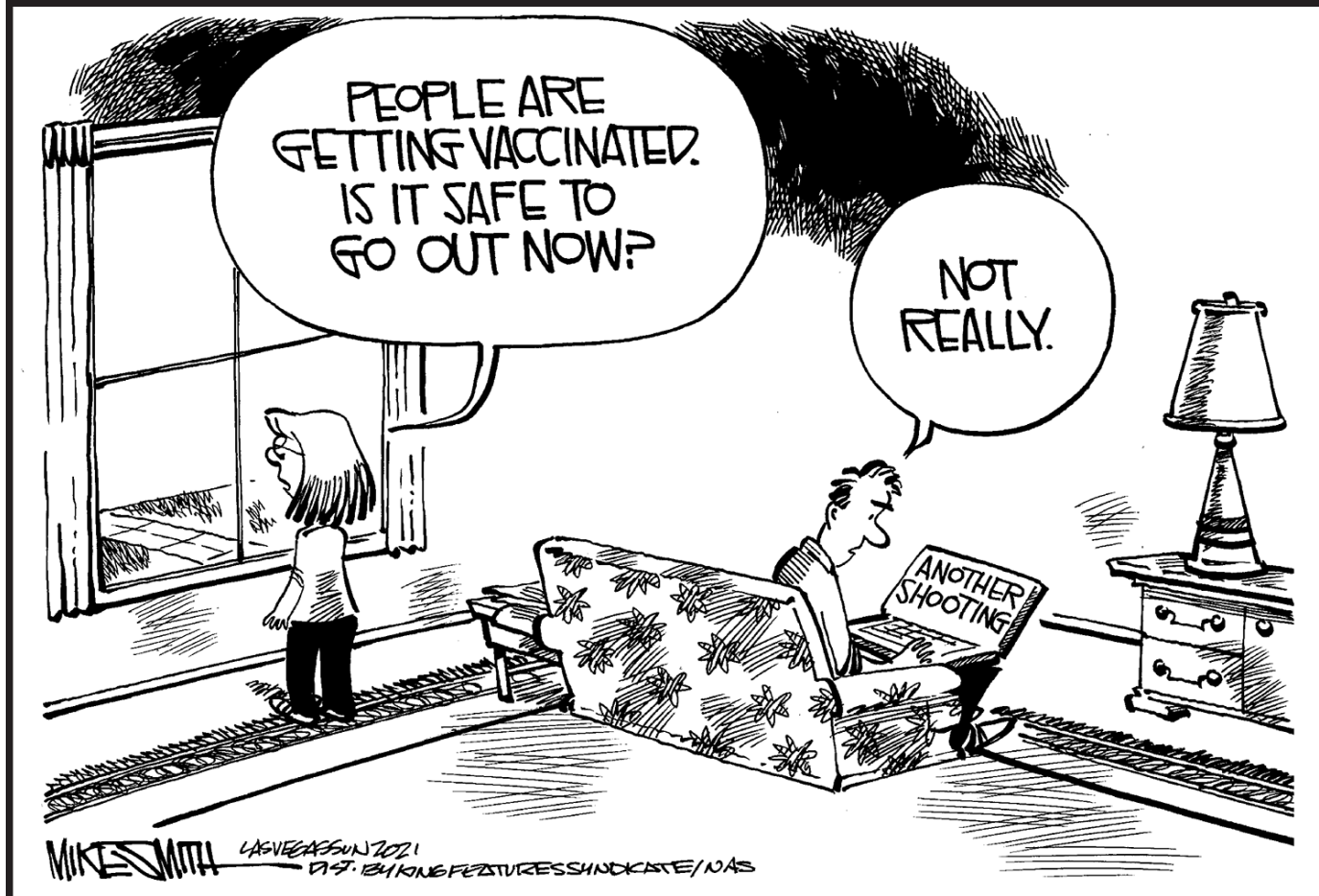
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Maudie's Naughties



Write It Down!

What's the difference between women at ages of 8, 18, 28, 38 and 48?

- Age 8 - You take her to bed and tell her a story.
- Age 18 - You tell her a story and take her to bed.
- Age 28 - You don't need to tell her any story and take her to bed.
- Age 38 - She tells you a story and takes you to bed.
- Age 48 - You tell her a story to avoid going to bed.

Let It Be!

A man walks into work on Monday with two black eyes. His boss asks what happened.

The man says, "I was sitting behind a big woman at church. When we stood up to sing hymns, I noticed that her dress was caught in her crack, so I pulled it out. She turns around and punches me square in the eye."

"Where did you get the other one?" the boss asks. "I tried to push it back."

Guilty As Charged

A red-faced judge convenes court after a long lunch. The first case involves a man charged with public intoxication who claims it simply isn't true. "I'm as sober as you are, your honor," the man claims.

The judge replies, "Clerk, let the record show that the defendant indicates 'guilty.' He is sentenced to 30 days."

Divorce Court

A judge is interviewing a woman regarding her pending divorce, "What are the grounds for your divorce?"

She replies, "About four acres and a nice little home in the middle of the property."

"I mean," he continues, "What are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town, and so do my husband's parents."

He tries again, "Do you have a real grudge?"

"No," she replies, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," he asks, "Is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. But my husband and I don't necessarily like the music."

"Ma'am, does your husband ever beat you up?"

"Yes," she responds, "Most days he gets up earlier than I do."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asks, "Lady, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," she replies. "It's my husband. He says he can't communicate with me."

Choking on a Quarter

One day down at the Squeeze-In Diner, a man suddenly yells out, "Help, my son's choking. He swallowed a quarter. Can anybody help me please?"

A man seated at a back table comes forward, grabs the kid by the shoulders, picks him up and shakes him violently; then, when that doesn't work, he sets him down, backs up and kicks the kid in the groin and the quarter comes flying out.

"Thank you! Thank you!" the father cries as the man walks back to his table. "You must be a doctor or a paramedic to know how to do that?"

"Neither," replies the man. "I work for the IRS."

Getting Generous

Bambi and Mitzie are walking down the street in Lexington when a beggar approaches them asking for spare change.

Bambi adamantly rejects the man in disgust.

Mitzi, on the other hand, whips out her cash, pulls out a couple of dollar bills and gladly hands them over to the beggar with a smile. The beggar thanks her kindly and moves on.

Bambi is outraged by her friend's act of generosity. "What on earth did you do that for?" she shouts. "You know he's just going to use it on booze!!!"

Mitzi replies, "What? And we weren't?"

This Week at the State Capitol - from March 29-April 2, 2021

Kentucky General Assembly's 2021 session ends

FRANKFORT -- The Kentucky General Assembly's 2021 regular session was gavelled to a close this last week, ending a session in which lawmakers approved a state budget for the coming fiscal year and approved numerous other bills that will affect people throughout the state.

Most new laws approved this year will go into effect 90 days from today's adjournment, except for those that specify a different effective date or include an emergency clause that makes them take effect the instant they become law.

Legislation approved by the 2021 General Assembly includes measures on the following topics:

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Operational guidelines. House Bill 1 created a framework for businesses, local governments, schools and nonprofits to operate during COVID-19 restrictions. It suspends interest on unpaid unemployment insurance contributions until next year. It also provides guidelines for non-custodial parental visitation during the state of emergency and will allow each resident at long-term care facilities designate an "essential personal care visitor" that will be exempt from visitor restrictions. (This is one of several new laws being challenged in court by the governor.)

Organ and tissue donation. Senate Bill 12 prohibits a person from selling or purchasing human organs or tissues and prohibits for-profit entities from procuring any eye, cornea, eye tissue, or corneal tissue. The measure is intended to preserve the nonprofit nature of human eye tissue donations.

Oversight and investigations. House Bill 6 will change the name of the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee to the Oversight and Investigations Committee. The goal is to make it the main investigative committee in the General Assembly. It will also, for the first time, define the committee's subpoena powers.

Police standards. Senate Bill 80 will strengthen the police decertification process by expanding the number of acts considered professional wrongdoing. Such acts include unjustified use of excessive or deadly force and engaging in a sexual relationship with a victim. The bill also will require an officer to intervene when another officer is engaging in the use of unlawful and unjustified excessive or deadly force. It will also set up a system for an officer's automatic decertification under certain circumstances and will prevent an officer from avoiding decertification by resigning before an internal investigation is complete.

Public records. House Bill 312 will limit the ability of people who do not live, work or conduct business in Kentucky to obtain records through the state's open records law. These restrictions do not apply to out-of-state journalists. The legislation specifies that open records requests can be made via email. It also calls for a standardized form to be developed for open records requests, though it's not required to be used. It will allow the legislative branch to make final and unappealable decisions regarding open records requests it receives. The bill will allow government agencies up to five days to respond to open records requests.

Recovery Ready Communities. House Bill 7 will establish the Advisory Council for Recovery Ready Communities. The council will be responsible for establishing a "Kentucky Recovery Ready Community Certification Program" to provide a measure of a city's or county's substance use disorder recovery programs and to assure citizens and businesses that a city or county is committed to ensuring the availability of high-quality recovery programs in its community.

Sexual abuse. Senate Bill 52 will amend third-degree rape, third-degree sodomy and second-degree sexual abuse statutes so law enforcement officers could be charged with those crimes if they engage in sexual acts with a person under investigation, in custody or under arrest.

Sexual assault. House Bill 472 will extend the statute of limitations for misdemeanor sexual assault offenses against minors from five years to 10. It also extends that window to 10 years on civil claims for the same course of conduct.

State budget. House Bill 192 contains the state spending plan for the upcoming fiscal year, which begins July 1. The plan will mostly continue spending in the manner of the current fiscal year's budget, with some modifications. It includes some structural changes to the budget, such as putting more money in the rainy day fund and ensuring that funds meant for the state Road Fund aren't diverted to other matters.

Supplementary education. Senate Bill 128 will allow students to re-take or supplement courses that were interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic during the current school year.

Teacher retirement. House Bill 258 will create a new hybrid tier for the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System that contains elements of both defined benefit and defined contribution plans. This change will affect new hires starting in 2022, not current teachers. The bill changes when those teachers could retire. Instead of retiring in 27 years, new hires under this tier will have to work 30 years and be at least 57 to be eligible for retirement.

Telehealth. House Bill 140 will permit telehealth services that were allowed to expand due to COVID-19 pandemic to remain in place even after the pandemic ends.

Theft. House Bill 126 will increase the threshold of felony theft from

\$500 to \$1,000. It will also allow law enforcement to charge members of organized shoplifting rings with a felony if a member steals a total of \$1,000 worth of merchandise over 90 days.

Tobacco settlement funds. Senate Bill 3 will move the organization that decides how to spend much of Kentucky's share of the Tobacco Master Agreement settlement money from the governor's office to the Department of Agriculture.

To-go alcohol. Senate Bill 67 will allow certain restaurants to sell alcohol, including cocktails, with to-go and delivery orders when purchased with a meal. The Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control Board is directed to promulgate regulations for the implementation of the bill.

Unemployment insurance overpayment. Senate Bill 7 will allow the state to waive unemployment insurance overpayment debts that occurred between Jan. 27 and Dec. 31 of last year if the overpayment is not the fault of the recipient and if requiring repayment would be "contrary to equity and good conscience," according to the legislation.

U.S. Senators. Senate Bill 228 will change the way vacancies are filled for a U.S. senator from Kentucky. The bill will require the governor to choose a replacement from a list of three nominees selected by the state party of the departing senator.

Victim privacy. House Bill 273 will exclude from the open records act photographs or videos that depict a person's death, killing, rape, sexual assault or abuse. The act is named in honor of Bailey Nicole Holt and Preston Ryan Cope, who were killed in the 2018 Marshall County High School shooting at the age of 15.

Worker safety regulations. House Bill 475 will prohibit the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board or the secretary from adopting or enforcing any occupational safety and health administrative regulation that is more stringent than the corresponding federal provision.

Youth camps. Senate Bill 66 will establish employment and background check standards for staff members working or volunteering at youth camps.

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