

**SB 150** - COVID-19 Relief bill provides the following:

- Waives the seven-day waiting period for collecting unemployment benefits
- Allows employees who have not lost jobs but had hours cut back to be eligible for unemployment
- Changes the state deadline for filing income taxes for the 2019 tax year to be the same as the federal deadline, which has been extended to **July 15**
- Permits restaurants with a license to sell liquor by the drink to sell such drinks in conjunction with takeout food orders
- Authorizes the use of state funds to support the state's COVID-19 hotline operated by the Kentucky Poison Control Center
- Lifts restrictions on telehealth services to make it easier for health professionals to contact clients remotely instead of in person
- Allows the governor to waive state licensing, renewal, application fees and allows him to waive or reduce paperwork and administrative requirements as he believes necessary for people or businesses ordered to close or alter their operations due to the pandemic
- Extends from three to ten days the deadline for public agencies to respond to Open Records Act requests, and it allows them to deny on-site inspection of records if the agency's offices are temporarily closed to the public
- Suspends the Open Meetings Act to allow public agencies to hold live audio or live video-teleconference meetings and suspends the deadlines for local government governing boards to make decisions on matters such as planning, zoning, land use or code enforcement
- Establishes immunity for local businesses that create or provide personal protective equipment or personal hygiene supplies if they do not normally do so
- Requires the governor to declare in writing the day that the COVID-19 state of emergency has ceased. If the governor does not, then the General Assembly can declare when the emergency has ended after it comes into its next regular session