SB 68: Modernizing Educational Goals for Kentucky Students

What the bill does:

- **Updates student learning goals:** Changes what Kentucky public schools must teach students, focusing on skills they'll need for today's changing world.
- Enhances School Expectations: Schools must promote high academic achievement and develop students' abilities to think critically and independently.
- Integrates Career and Technical Education: Connects classroom learning with workforce needs.
- **Streamlines Reporting Requirements:** Removes certain reporting requirements, reducing paperwork for schools.

Why it matters:

This bill refreshes Kentucky's learning goals to emphasize critical thinking, problemsolving, and workforce readiness—essential skills for realizing a Big Bold Future. These updates strengthen the connection between classroom experiences and the durable skills both employers seek and communities need for long-term prosperity.

- Aligning Education with Workforce Needs: Students will be better prepared for Kentucky's evolving job market.
- **Promoting Independent Thought:** Students will develop critical thinking skills needed for success in today's society.
- **Reducing Administrative Load:** Teachers can focus more on teaching and less on paperwork.



Making it work in the real world:

- **Statewide Collaboration** Success requires commitment from school districts, lawmakers, state agencies, community organizations, and businesses working together.
- Family and Community Engagement Parents, caregivers, and community members must actively support these educational shifts at home and in their communities.
- **Business Partnerships** Kentucky employers need to offer internships, apprenticeships, and workplace learning opportunities to connect classroom lessons with real-world skills.
- **Policy Support** Continued legislative action and funding are essential to fully implement these educational improvements across all Kentucky communities.