

PROTECT KENTUCKY'S CHILDREN

UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF HB8

QUASI PENSIONS ARE THE ISSUE

Kentucky's regional children's advocacy centers provide life-saving services to more than 12,000 children and caregivers each year. Child abuse is the number one public health issue facing children, with a costly impact for victims as well as our society. This is why our specialized intervention services are so critical! Kentucky's children's advocacy centers not only lessen the impact of trauma to ensure the health and well-being of survivors and families but are also making our communities safer for everyone.

SERVICES FOR CHILDREN ARE AT RISK

Unfortunately, our services, and, therefore, our children and communities are at risk. Children's Advocacy Centers in Kentucky are currently paying debt which is not theirs. If the current legislation goes into effect on July 1, children's advocacy centers will be paying \$1.3 million of debt for staffing of other agencies, forcing cuts in staffing and programming.

WHAT WE NEED TO CONTINUE WITHOUT A DISRUPTION IN CRITICAL SERVICES

The time is now for Kentucky legislators to fix the pension crisis by supporting **House Bill 8** - a real solution for our quasi agencies and the pension system. This emergency legislation will:

- amend current legislation to change the KERS unfunded liability payment that is payable by employers
- allow children's advocacy centers and every quasi agency to pay what is actually owed by the agency
- help to fix Kentucky's pension system by incentivizing employers to stay in.

