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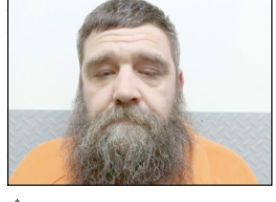
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Man Arrested After Pursuit, Possible Link To Assault

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Brandon L. Wease.

An Elizabethtown man was arrested Saturday evening in Hart County following a pursuit that was linked to an assault investigation.

located at Love's Truck Stop in Horse Cave. A traffic stop of the vehicle and suspect was attempted at the intersection of Hwy. 218 and L&N Turnpike. The citation states that sirens and lights were initiated, but the vehicle fled onto Flint Ridge Road,

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HCHS Cheer Places 8th in Nation



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The HCHS Varsity Cheer Team reached the national stage at the UCA National High School Cheerleading Competition. They placed 8th out of 27 teams in the nation.



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This season, the Hart County High School (HCHS) Varsity Cheer Team has proven that what happens behind the scenes can matter far more than what the crowd sees on game night. During a year that was at first defined by loss, the team proved strong with resilience and

On a journey from loss to determination, the team has proven that their greatest strength is each other

an unbreakable bond that carried them from uncertainty to one of the most meaningful seasons in program history.

Under the leadership of Head Coach Kimberly Minor, the team hasn't just cheered through a difficult year. They've grown stronger because of it.

From the start of the

season, expectations were modest. After graduating 16 seniors last school year, the cheer team returned a young roster with limited varsity experience.

"I'll be honest, my goals and expectations for this season was not set very high," Minor said. "I really didn't see how we were going to win the region

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In Memory: Schyler Oldham, 2007-2025.

Givens Bill Clears Committee 10-0

MEASURE MODERNIZES KENTUCKY LEGAL NOTICE RULES



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Senate President Pro Tempore David Givens explains Senate Bill 141 to members of the Senate State and Local Government Committee during a Feb. 11 meeting.

BY SETH DUKES
 GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

FRANKFORT — Legislation aimed at modernizing how legal notices are published in Kentucky is advancing with strong early support after clearing a Senate committee unanimously.

passed 10-0 out of the Senate State and Local Government Committee on Feb. 11 and is expected to continue moving smoothly through the General Assembly. The measure seeks to update and standardize requirements governing how state

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In a year defined by heartbreak and hope, the HCHS Varsity Cheer Team didn't just raise their voices. They raised each other. Led by Head Coach Kimberly Minor, center, the team earned an 8th place finish out of 27 teams in the nation.

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