

REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/  
Form 8-K  
January 27, 2012

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): January 26, 2012

**REPUBLIC BANCORP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <u>Kentucky</u>                                   | <u>0-24649</u>           | <u>61-0862051</u>                       |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

601 West Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202  
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 584-3600

**NOT APPLICABLE**

(Former Name or former Address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On January 27, 2012, Republic Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its wholly owned subsidiary, Republic Bank & Trust Company, entered into a purchase and assumption agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to purchase select assets and assume substantially all of the deposits of Tennessee Commerce Bank, of Franklin, Tennessee. The acquisition is being completed through a purchase and assumption agreement with the FDIC, without loss sharing agreements.

A copy of the press release has been attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets**

The information set forth under Item 1.01 “Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement” is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.01.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Republic Bancorp, Inc. Press Release dated January 27, 2012.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Republic Bancorp, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: January 27, 2012 By: /s/ Kevin Sipes  
Kevin Sipes  
Executive Vice President,  
Chief Financial  
Officer & Chief  
Accounting Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.   Description of Exhibit

99.1            Press Release dated January 27, 2012. Filed herewith.