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VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING HOUSE BILL 44 OF THE 2024 REGULAR SESSION


I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, pursuant to the authority granted under section 88 of the Kentucky Constitution, do hereby veto the following:

House Bill 44 of the 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

*House Bill 44 would require the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to provide a copy of the "lifetime death records" to the State Board of Elections on or before July 1 of each year. "Lifetime death records" is not a real term used or understood by the Department of Vital Statistics, so such records cannot be supplied. Instead, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services already provides the State Board of Elections with **monthly death records**. Therefore, House Bill 44 is not necessary, as the existing policy provides more information than the legislation.*

For these reasons, I am vetoing House Bill 44.

This, the 5th day of April, 2024.


Andy Beshear
Governor

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