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**VETO MESSAGE FROM THE  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
REGARDING HOUSE BILL 546 OF THE 2025 REGULAR SESSION**

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

- Page 5, line 27, in its entirety.
- Page 6, lines 1 through 14, in their entirety.
- Page 6, line 27, after "Project", delete the rest of the line.
- Page 7, lines 1 through 5, in their entirety.
- Page 7, line 12, after "Project", delete the rest of the line.
- Page 7, lines 13 through 15, in their entirety.
- Page 7, line 16, delete "project~~and the completion of the Mountain Parkway Widening Project~~".

*House Bill 546 requires the I-69 Ohio River Crossing project to be partly funded by tolls on Kentuckians. In 2019 then-Governor Matt Bevin supported tolls for the Brent Spence Bridge connecting Covington with Cincinnati, which I opposed. Voters in northern Kentucky soundly rejected tolls in the election that year. The Brent Spence Bridge project has no tolls and neither should the I-69 Ohio River Crossing. This bill and the tolls it seeks to impose will slow down progress on this critical project for Kentucky.*

This, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

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Andy Beshear  
Governor