

CHAPTER 3**(HJR 29)**

A JOINT RESOLUTION extending emergency executive actions related to severe weather and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, emergency executive orders, administrative regulations, and other directives have been issued by the Governor in response to severe weather in the state; and

WHEREAS, the application of KRS 39A.090 to a number of severe weather-related emergency executive orders and administrative regulations is debatable, but the Governor has requested that they be extended past 30 days and continued in order to protect the citizens of Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly agrees to extend the deadlines for the requested executive orders in the interest of aiding the citizens devastated by the December storms in Kentucky;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The General Assembly hereby extends the following executive orders and administrative regulations issued in response to the severe weather in Kentucky, and declares that the same shall be in effect until and expire on April 14, 2022:

- (1) 2021 Executive Order 2021-923, declaring a state of emergency following the December 10, 2021, storms;
- (2) 2021 Executive Order 2021-925, establishing the Team Western Kentucky Tornado Relief Fund;
- (3) 2021 Executive Order 2021-936, relating to the suspension of KRS 257.160;
- (4) 2021 Executive Order 2021-939, relating to the suspension of KRS 186.531;
- (5) 2021 Executive Order 2021-967, relating to unemployment insurance claims and benefits;
- (6) 2021 Executive Order 2021-969, relating to price gouging;
- (7) 2022 Executive Order 2022-001, declaring a state of emergency following the December 31, 2021, storms; and
- (8) 800 KAR 1:020E, Team Western Kentucky Tornado Relief Fund.

➔Section 2. All executive orders, cabinet and agency orders, guidances, memoranda, directives, or actions identified herein shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State for posting prominently on the Secretary's Web site until the conclusion of the December 10, 2021, and December 31, 2021, storm emergencies.

➔Section 3. If any suspension of statutes is included in the executive or administrative actions identified herein, or in any executive or administrative action contemplated after April 14, 2022, prior approval of the Attorney General shall be obtained as required by KRS 39A.180.

➔Section 4. It is not the intention of the General Assembly that this Resolution should impair or delay the ability of the Commonwealth to receive any federal disaster relief funds.

➔Section 5. Whereas, the General Assembly desires to ensure that the citizens of the Commonwealth are protected during their recovery from the December 10, 2021, and December 31, 2021, storms, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Resolution takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming law.

Signed by Governor January 13, 2022.