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VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING HOUSE BILL 13 OF THE
2017 REGULAR SESSION

I, Matthew G. Bevin, 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 1, lines 10 through 16 in their entirety.

I am vetoing this section because it creates a bad precedent by subordinating certain bonds issued by the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth must pay all valid bills within 30 days of receipt. Failure to do so results in a payment of interest in the amount of 1 percent per month. Further, if the Commonwealth cannot make these payments as required by the contract, it would be in breach of the contract. Aside from this impact, giving the BGVC priority to these funds could negatively impact the financing of the existing bonds. The benefit of the existing budget bill language is that it confirms to the bondholders that funds have been identified to pay the availability payments. Any change to this structure could have unintended and unforeseen impact on the financing.

This the 11th day of April, 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew G. Bevin", written over a horizontal line.

Matthew G. Bevin
Governor