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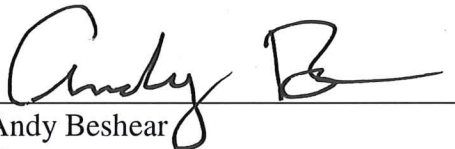
VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING SENATE BILL 251 OF THE
2021 REGULAR SESSION

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:

Senate Bill 251 of the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

I am vetoing Senate Bill 251 because it allows forum shopping, where the Attorney General can seek favorable or even friendly judges. Justice requires a system that prevents this gaming. I am also vetoing Senate Bill 251 because it unnecessarily adds to government expenses by requiring state officials and their attorneys to travel to jurisdictions across the Commonwealth to defend litigation the bill allows the Attorney General to bring in any Kentucky county, even though the Attorney General and state officials are in Franklin County.

This the 25th day of March, 2021.



Andy Beshear
Governor

