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VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING SENATE BILL 3 OF THE
2021 REGULAR SESSION

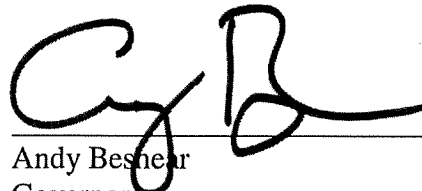
I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, pursuant to the authority granted under section 88 of the Kentucky Constitution, do hereby veto the following:

Senate Bill 3 of the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

I am vetoing Senate Bill 3 because it is unconstitutional. Senate Bill 3 violates the Kentucky Constitution by attempting to completely remove the appointing authority of the Governor for the Agriculture Development Board and the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation – boards within the executive department – and give the appointing authority to the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, an inferior officer under the Kentucky Constitution. Senate Bill 3 violates Sections 69 and 76 of the Kentucky Constitution by infringing on the Governor’s executive power to appoint members of boards within the executive department. Senate Bill 3 also violates Section 81 of the Kentucky Constitution by attempting to prevent the Governor from carrying out his duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed through the complete removal of his authority to appoint members of boards within the executive department.

This the 5th day of March, 2021.

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Andy Beshear
Governor