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# VETO MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY REGARDING HOUSE BILL 195 OF THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION

### **Circuit Clerk Expense Allowance**

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 part:

Page 2, lines 10 through 12, in their entirety.

I am vetoing this part at the request of the Administrative Office of the Courts because Circuit Clerks are compensated less than other county officials. Because Circuit Clerks also have continuing education needs, this veto will help restore equity for Circuit Clerks.

#### **Salary Increment**

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 part:

Page 2, lines 13 through 14, in their entirety.

I am vetoing this part at the request of the Administrative Office of the Courts because it singles out one employee to not receive a salary adjustment. This provision is not necessary as annual salary increments are not provided for any employee in this appropriations act.

#### **Budgetary Restructuring**

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 part:

Page 10, lines 18 through 25, in their entirety.

I am vetoing this part at the request of the Administrative Office of the Courts because it requires seven separate budget units for the Court Operations and Administration budget rather than the current one budget unit. This provision could delay the timely ability to cover a shortfall in one area of the budget with available funds from another.



## **Employee Layoffs, Furloughs, and Reduced Hours**

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 part:

Page 11, lines 5 through 27, in their entirety.

Page 12, lines 1 through 27, in their entirety.

Page 13, lines 1 through 11, in their entirety.

I am vetoing this part at the request of the Administrative Office of the Courts because the Court of Justice has the authority to set its own personnel policies, and therefore this part is unnecessary.

This the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

Andy Beshear

Governor