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VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING HOUSE BILL 335 OF THE
2022 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:

House Bill 335 of the 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

House Bill 335 represents another in a long line of efforts by this General Assembly to strip power away from the Governor. Under the legislation, the Governor would have to appoint certain members of the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council and the Advisory Council for Recovery Ready Communities from lists of three names provided by various entities, where before no lists were required. I am vetoing House Bill 335 because it has been the pattern of this General Assembly to chip away at the authority of the Commonwealth's Chief Magistrate while granting more power to itself. In addition, in passing House Bill 335 the General Assembly presented no evidence that changes to the organization of the existing structures of the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council and the Advisory Council for Recovery Ready Communities are necessary.

For these reasons, I am vetoing House Bill 335.

This, the 1st day of April, 2022.

Andy Beshear
Governor