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**VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING SENATE BILL 65 OF THE 2026 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:

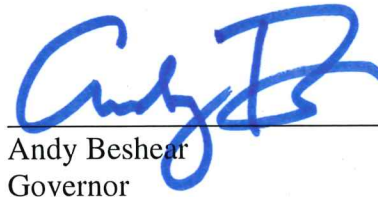
Senate Bill 65 of the 2026 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

Senate Bill 65 is another instance of legislative overreach that violates the Kentucky Constitution. The bill would void and nullify administrative regulations filed by executive branch agencies. For example, the bill would void and nullify a Medicaid regulation on GLP-1s, even though my administration made legislators aware of misrepresentations made in their review of the regulation, as the regulation does not allow Medicaid coverage for GLP-1s for weight loss alone, but instead only in combination with treatment for conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, and cardiovascular issues.

The Kentucky Supreme Court ruled more than 40 years ago that the General Assembly cannot interfere with the executive branch's authority to file regulations to carry out the law. LRC v. Brown, 664 S.W.2d 907 (Ky. 1984). As the Court specifically held, "The adoption of administrative regulations necessary to implement and carry out the purpose of legislative enactments is executive in nature and is ordinarily within the constitutional purview of the executive branch of government."

For these reasons, I am vetoing Senate Bill 65.

This, the 6th day of April, 2026.


Andy Beshear
Governor

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