

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT FORM
2026 REGULAR SESSION
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Amend printed copy of **SB 251/GA**

On page 3, after line 25, insert the following:

"➔Section 3. KRS 431.250 is amended to read as follows:

(1) The following persons:~~[,] and no others.;~~

(a) May attend an execution:

- 1. The executioner and the warden of the institution and his or her deputy or deputies and guards;
- 2. The sheriff of the county in which the condemned was convicted;
- 3. The commissioner of the Department of Corrections and representatives of the Department of Corrections designated by him or her;
- 4. The physician and chaplain of the institution;
- 5. A clergyman and three (3) other persons selected by the condemned;
- 6. Three (3) members of the victim's family designated by the commissioner from among the victim's spouse, adult children, parents, siblings, and grandparents; and
- 7. Nine (9) representatives of the news media as follows:
 - i. One (1) representative from the daily newspaper with the largest circulation in the county where the execution will be conducted;~~[,]~~
 - ii. One (1) representative from Associated Press Wire Service;~~[,]~~

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Rep. Rep. Nick Wilson

Committee Amendment _____

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- iii. One (1) representative from Kentucky Network, Inc.;~~{ }~~
- iv. Three (3) representatives for radio and television media within the state;~~{ }~~
and
- v. Three (3) representatives for newspapers within the state; and

(b) Shall attend the execution:

- 1. The judge who presided over the condemned's criminal case; and**
- 2. The prosecutor who prosecuted the condemned's criminal case.**

(2) Use of audiovisual equipment by the media representatives is prohibited during the execution. The Department of Corrections shall issue administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A which govern media representation during the execution."