STATE OF EMERGENCY RELATING TO SUSPENSION OF
KRS 186.531, KRS 186.050, KRS 186A.130

Beginning on July 26, 2022, and continuing, a severe weather system generating multiple rounds of heavy torrential rain, causing death and injury, flooding, flash flooding, mudslides, and landslides is impacting the Commonwealth of Kentucky, creating dangerous conditions and damage to public infrastructure, utility distribution systems, and private properties;

These conditions endanger public health and safety and/or public and private property;

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and by Chapter 39A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, declared by Executive Order 2022-457 on July 28, 2022, that a State of Emergency exists in the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

The severe weather system caused Kentuckians to lose their state-issued driver’s licenses or state-issued personal identification cards, inhibiting their ability to drive or obtain necessities of life such as access to bank accounts, and caused Kentuckians to lose their registration and certificates of title for their motor vehicles;

State and local governments share responsibility for the protection of public health, safety, and security, as well as for the protection of public and private property and for taking appropriate actions to ensure the provision of essential public services;

KRS 186.531 assesses certain fees that individuals must pay to obtain a duplicate state-issued operator’s license, instruction permit, or personal identification card;

KRS 186.050 assesses certain fees that individuals must pay to obtain a duplicate motor vehicle registration;

KRS 186A.130 assesses certain fees that individuals must pay to obtain a duplicate certificate of title for a motor vehicle;

The Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet recommended a suspension of the provisions of KRS 186.531(2) and (3) that assess a certain fee for issuance of duplicate state-issued operator’s licenses, instruction permits, and personal identification cards during the state of emergency, and recommends a suspension of KRS 186.050 and KRS 186A.130 that assess a certain fee for the issuance of a duplicate motor vehicle registration and a duplicate certificate of title for a motor vehicle.

On August 1, 2022, I declared in Executive Order 2022-473 that a State of Emergency exists in the Commonwealth and suspended the statutory provisions that assess certain fees for issuance of duplicate state-issued operator’s licenses, instruction permits, and personal identification cards, and issuance of a duplicate motor vehicle registration and a duplicate certificate of title for a motor vehicle;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of Kentucky and by KRS Chapter 39A, do hereby amend 2022-473 and do hereby ORDER and DIRECT that:

1. In accordance with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, KRS 186.531(2) and (3) are hereby suspended for the duration of the state of emergency.

2. The fee to obtain a duplicate state-issued operator’s license, instruction permit, or personal identification card under KRS 186.531(2) and (3) shall not be assessed during the state of emergency.

3. In accordance with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, KRS 186.050 and KRS 186A.130 are hereby suspended for the duration of the state of emergency.

4. The fee to obtain a duplicate motor vehicle registration or a duplicate certificate of title for a motor vehicle under KRS 186.050 and KRS 186A.130 shall not be assessed during the state of emergency.

5. This order shall apply to Kentucky residents in the following Kentucky counties: Breathitt, Clay, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Whitley and Wolfe, and to any other county included in the Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster, designated FEMA-4663-DR-KY, including in any amendment to that Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster.

This order shall be effective August 19, 2022.

ANDY BESHEAR, Governor
Commonwealth of Kentucky

MICHAEL G. ADAMS
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Governor has issued Executive Order 2022-512, titled a “State of Emergency Relating to Suspension of KRS 186.531, KRS 186.050, KRS 186A.130,” which amends Executive Order 2022-473 and in relevant part suspends the operation of KRS 186.531(2) and (3); KRS 186.050; and KRS 186A.130;

WHEREAS, KRS 39A.180(2)(b) provides that the Governor may suspend a statute by executive order when an emergency is declared if the executive order specifying the suspension is approved by the Attorney General in writing:

NOW THEREFORE, having reviewed Executive Order 2022-512 and finding that the suspension of KRS 186.531(2) and (3); KRS 186.050; and KRS 186A.130 as provided for therein is appropriate, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KRS 39A.180(2)(b), I, Daniel Cameron, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby APPROVE the suspension of suspension of KRS 186.531(2) and
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(3); KRS 186.050; and KRS 186A.130 as reflected in Executive Order 2022-512 for a period consistent with KRS 39A.090(2).

So ORDERED this the 19th day of August, 2022.

[Signature]
Daniel Cameron
Attorney General
Department of Law