

Limits Funding to Natural Disaster Response

For the first time ever limits:

- Amount of funding to emergencies and disasters
- Ability to fight forest fires
- To provide state matching funds for FEMA disaster grants

Did not fund East Kentucky Safe Fund

These limits hinder the ability of the Executive branch to respond to Kentuckians **in the hour of need**

Dramatic Reduction in State Personnel

The House budget eliminates funding for up to **95 percent of funded personnel positions** that were vacant as of a snapshot in time.

- State government is working to *increase* its labor force
- This action **halts progress**
- Leave many state programs **without the resources to meet the needs of Kentuckians.**

Dramatic Reduction in State Personnel

\$250 MILLION CUTS IN PROGRAM FUNDING

**DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS**

Cut by over \$16 million

While we are trying to add Correctional Officers

**COMMUNITY BASED
SERVICES**

Cut by \$17 million

While adding more social service workers

**DEPARTMENT OF
JUVENILE JUSTICE**

Cut by \$14 million

While adding detention staff

**VETERANS CENTER
FACILITIES**

Budget cut by \$18 million

While adding nursing staff

Ensuring a Sufficient State Government Workforce

The Governor's budget had a plan, **requested by the legislature**, to address lingering compensation challenges caused by the lack of salary increases for 10 of the 12 years

The House budget didn't include the funding

for it and yet asked for another study and future recommendations.

Paralyzes Government with Red Tape

- Requires new quarterly reports for virtually every action of the Executive Branch
- The House budget requires a comprehensive report for **every Executive Order** issued by the Governor, with an update every 30 days
- Failure to comply includes a 10 percent reduction in the Governor's Office General Fund appropriation

Paralyzes Government with Red Tape

2021	969
2022	885
2023	810

- Board appointments
- Judge vacancies
- Local elected officer vacancies
- Executive branch positions
- Extraditions
- Writs of elections
- Activation of the National Guard
- Approval of university attorneys for legal services
- Kentucky Colonels
- *and many others.*

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED
ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS INCLUDING:**

Underfunds State Parks

- House budget wouldn't release the \$71 million from the last budget's \$150 million
- Only funds about \$112 million of the \$182 million of new projects
- Fails to invest in state parks that are in need of repair

Fails to Invest in Public Schools and Educators

House budget has **\$1.1 billion less** for SEEK over 2 years and over **\$1.5 billion less** for the Department of Education's General Fund.

- **No 11% pay raise** for school employees
- No funding for **Universal Pre-K**
- **Student transportation not fully funded**, only 80%
- No funding for school resources, like textbooks and technology

Fails to Invest in Public Schools and Educators

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- No funds for teacher professional development
- No funding to renovate **career and technical education centers**
- No public library per capita grant funding
- Half the funding needed for FRYSC's

House budget only **“encourages”** school districts to use SEEK resources for staff salary or compensation increase.

Hinders New Job Growth and Infrastructure

- No funds to help close deals on **major economic projects**
- No funds to support **attracting top talent** to Kentucky
- **Job ready site-development** not fully funded
- Less investment in **clean drinking water**
- **Smaller aviation grants**
- Nothing for **affordable housing**
- Eliminates **South Korean** economic development office
- Eliminates **Everybody Counts** funding

While the Commonwealth has **large amounts of surplus funds**, now is the time to **continue our momentum.**

Justice & Public Safety

LAW ENFORCEMENT

- No additional KSP raises
- No **WKY Regional Training Center** for law enforcement
- Fails to fund **KSP Post 10** needs

Justice & Public Safety

JUVENILE JUSTICE

- Does not fund two new female justice centers
- Does not separate male and female offenders
- Cuts numerous public safety positions
- Corrections: Reduced Addiction treatment services

**The House budget does not meet the mandates
in Senate Bill 162**

Justice & Public Safety

CORRECTIONS

- Lack of **addiction services** expansion
- Limits funding for **additional prisoners** for the first time ever
- No funds for **Kentucky State Reformatory** demolition
- No funding to renovate projects at the **EKY Correctional Complex**
- No funding for **prisoner reentry services**

Cuts to Health Care

- No real money for **foster care** reimbursement rate increases in FY 26
- Less funding for **relative caregiver reimbursement** rate increases
- No funding for **Tim's law**
- No funding for **Pikeville Medical Center Psychiatric Residency**
- Did not fund **Markey Cancer Center**
- No funding for **HVAC at Hardin Co. Retirement**

\$62 MILLION cut in state funding for Medicaid program in the first fiscal year

Community Development Projects NOT Funded

- Ashland Conference Center
- Frankfort Convention Center
- Louisville Medical and Education District Infrastructure
- Louisville Riverport Infrastructure
- Covington Central Riverfront Development
- Land Acquisition next to Northern Kentucky Convention Center
- Franklin County Lakeview Park Event Center
- Shawnee Outdoor Learning Center
- Martin County Water Projects
- Green River Regional Detention Facility

Less Fiscally Responsible

House budget **creates more debt** than any other four-year period

Second-highest amount of General Fund bonds ever

at \$2.7 billion

In House Bill 1, taps the state's Rainy Day Fund for

over \$1.7 billion

Governor's budget makes larger investments

WITHOUT

drawing on the Rainy Day Fund

AND

pays down the unfunded state employee
pension plan using Sports Wagering revenues