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VETO MESSAGE FROM THE
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
REGARDING HOUSE BILL 424 OF THE 2025 REGULAR SESSION

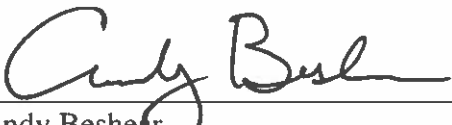
I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, pursuant to the authority granted under section 88 of the Kentucky Constitution, do hereby veto the following:

House Bill 424 of the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly in its entirety.

Team Kentucky's goal should be to attract, recruit and retain the best and brightest minds at Kentucky's universities and colleges. One way to do that is to trust our university administrations and faculty to negotiate and offer competitive employment contracts. House Bill 424 does the opposite. In a time of increased federal encroachment into the public education, this bill will limit employment protections of our postsecondary institution teachers. This bill will limit Kentucky's ability to hire the best people and threatens academic freedom.

For these reasons, I am vetoing House Bill 424.

This, the 25th day of March, 2025.



Andy Beshear
Governor