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Session ends with victories for Kentucky families.

Pro-family Kentuckians can certainly be thankful to the Lord for an extremely productive session this year!

As Kentucky's 2022 Legislative Session ended on April 14th, pro-family Kentuckians can certainly be thankful to the Lord for an extremely productive session with several key legislative victories for Kentucky families and the values that we share.

Most notably, three of The Family Foundation's priority, pro-family bills have now become law in Kentucky, including:

SB 83, the Save Women's Sports Act, ensuring fairness in women's sports by keeping biological males off our women's and girls' sports teams in Kentucky. While the attack on God's created order continues to grow in our culture, we should all be thankful that the General Assembly took this important first step in recognizing the biological, and God-ordained, differences between men and women really do matter.

HB 43, the Church is Essential Act, ensuring Kentucky churches are never again shut-down with out-of-control emergency orders. HB 43 also includes important protections against government discrimination for all religious organizations. Certainly, the Church is



Executive Director David Walls speaks at The Family Foundation's Faith, Family & Freedom Rally at the Capitol.

Essential Act becoming law is a victory for religious freedom in the Commonwealth.

And in a victory for life, **HB 3, the pro-life Humanity in Healthcare Act**, was also passed into law. HB 3 is a pro-life omnibus bill with multiple provisions, including a ban on "mail-order" chemical abortions, further protections of our tax dollars from funding abortion, and a ban on abortions after 15-weeks.

While the ACLU and Planned Parenthood have already challenged the new law in court, the passage

of HB 3 further cements Kentucky as a leading pro-life state in the nation. With hope that *Roe* will be finally overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court with the *Dobbs* decision in June, and with Kentuckians set to vote on the "Yes for Life" Constitutional Amendment on November 8th, there is no doubt that 2022 is shaping up to be a banner year for life!

These policy wins and more, including defeating efforts to expand predatory gambling, were made possible by your faithful engagement with us through the legislative session. Whether you joined us in person for our Faith, Family & Freedom Rally, at a committee hearing for one of these key bills, helped deliver our *Kentucky Citizen* to your Church, or sent one of the nearly 40,000+ messages and phone calls through our new online advocacy center, thank you for engaging with us to promote God-honoring public policy.

Remember, government belongs to those who show up. Thanks for "showing up" this session to be the salt and light that our Lord calls us to be!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "David", is placed next to the text.

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PRO-FAMILY BILLS THAT PASSED

Save Women's Sports Act (SB 83 by Sen. Robby Mills)

included stronger protections for collegiate athletics (HB 23 by Rep. Ryan Dotson)

The Save Women's Sports Act is a common sense law that ensures fairness for Kentucky's female athletes by ensuring biological males do not compete in women's sports, turning women into spectators within their own sports. Biology matters, especially in sports. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed SB 83, but the KY General Assembly overwhelmingly overrode his veto.**

Church is Essential Act (HB 43 by Rep. Shane Baker)

The Church is Essential Act acknowledges churches as essential to the wellbeing of our communities and ensures emergency powers are never again used to target the Commonwealth's churches for worse treatment than other essential businesses and organizations. **After his abuses of power were rebuked by the courts and General Assembly, Gov. Andy Beshear (D) signed HB 43 into law.**

Humanity in Healthcare Act (HB 3 by Rep. Nancy Tate)

included 15-week abortion ban (SB 321 by Sen. Max Wise)

The Humanity in Healthcare Act is a pro-life omnibus bill that includes many important life-saving provisions, including:

- Prohibiting on-demand mail order abortion drugs;
- Ensuring taxpayer funds don't go to organizations conducting abortions or abortion referrals;
- Providing for the dignified disposal of an unborn child's remains; and
- Updating the law pertaining to minors seeking abortion, parental consent, and judicial bypass.

HB 3 was amended in the Senate to include a 15-week ban on abortion, similar to the one currently at the U.S. Supreme Court, to ensure Kentucky is as pro-life as possible. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed this HB 3, but the KY General Assembly overwhelmingly overrode his veto.**

School Councils Reform (SB 1 by Sen. John Schickel)

included Teaching American Principles Act (SB 138 by Sen. Max Wise)

SB 1 provides long-overdue reforms to school site-based councils, which took away power from parents and taxpayers when established in 1990. Control is returned to superintendents and elected school boards, which are directly accountable to parents and taxpayers.

The House amended SB 1 to include SB 138, which requires core American documents and speeches be incorporated into social studies standards. No public school employee may be compelled to discuss current events or controversial topics. If they choose to discuss those events or topics, they must explore them from a diverse perspective. **Gov. Andy Beshear (D) vetoed this bill, but the General Assembly overrode his veto.**

HARMFUL BILLS DEFEATED

Expanded Predatory Gambling (HB 606 by Rep. Adam Koenig)

Gambling advocates sought to expand predatory gambling to include sports wagering, fantasy contests, and online poker. This would have targeted the family, turned athletes into pawns (and targets), threatened to corrupt government, and destroyed the vulnerable. *HB 606 passed the House 58-30, then was stopped in the Senate.*

"Medical" Marijuana (HB 136 by Rep. Jason Nemes)

HB 136 would have legalized so-called "medical" marijuana, without the proper research proving marijuana's efficacy and safety as a medication. This would have opened the door to legalization of recreational marijuana, as it has done in other states. *HB 136 passed the House 59-34, then was stopped in the Senate.*

"Conversion Therapy" Ban (HB 12 by Rep. Lisa Willner/SB 137 by Sen. Alice Forgy Kerr)

HB 12 and SB 137 would have banned the Gospel message that choice exists and change in lifestyle is possible, effectively purging Christian therapists. LGBTQ advocates also described it as the "first step" towards silencing pastors and others.

LGBTQ Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity (HB 11 by Rep. Lisa Willner/HB 15 by Rep. Patti Minter)

HB 11 and HB 15 would have amended Kentucky's nondiscrimination law to include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" as protected classes. Similar LGBTQ laws and ordinances have already been used to discriminate against Christian business owners and target people of faith.

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

Parents' Rights Protection Act (SB 40 by Sen. Steve West)

SB 40 would have protected the fundamental rights of parents to direct their children's destiny, upbringing, and education. The compelling interests of government, such as preventing child abuse and neglect were also recognized and balanced. *The Parents' Rights Protection Act passed the Senate 23-14, with only six days left in the Session. The House took no action.*

Help Not Harm Act (HB 253 by Rep. Savannah Maddox/SB 84 by Sen. Robby Mills)

HB 253 and SB 84 would've protected vulnerable children from transgender "gender modification" procedures and treatments, ensuring they receive help from the medical community rather than harm. *The Help Not Harm Act never received a hearing in any House or Senate committee, the first step in the legislative process.*

Freedom to Serve Act (HB 495 by Rep. Melinda Prunty)

Religious Freedom

HB 495 would have allowed people of faith to serve their communities without government discrimination against their beliefs about marriage and gender. *House Leadership never assigned HB 495 to a committee, effectively killing the bill.*

Medical & Ethics Diversity Act (HB 570 by Rep. Josh Calloway)

HB 570, the MED Act, would have protected conscience rights within the medical profession, ensuring that no medical professional is forced to violate their oath to "do no harm". *House Leadership never assigned HB 570 to a committee, effectively killing the bill.*



KENTUCKY FAMILY LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD 2021 - 2022

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This legislative
scorecard is a new
educational project of

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FOUNDATION
of Kentucky

The Kentucky Family Legislative Scorecard is a new project of The Family Foundation of Kentucky and is the most comprehensive pro-family legislative scorecard in the Commonwealth! The scorecard is based on Kentucky's 2021 & 2022 Legislative Sessions and measures how state legislators performed on our core issues. It compiles important legislative activity, including votes and bill sponsorships.

The scorecard is a critical educational and accountability tool for Kentuckians to see where legislators stood on the values that matter to them. For the 2021-2022 Scorecard, legislators that scored 90% and above are recognized as Kentucky Family Champions, and legislators that scored above 85% are recognized as Kentucky Family Advocates. See how your legislator voted at kentuckyfamily.org/scorecard.

KENTUCKY STATE SENATE

| NAME | DIST | PARTY | SCORE | NAME | DIST | PARTY | SCORE | NAME | DIST | PARTY | SCORE |
|----------------------|------|-------|-------|----------------------------------|------|-------|-------|---------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| — Family Champions — | | | | — Received a "B-" Letter Grade — | | | | — Received a "D" Letter Grade — | | | |
| ROBBY MILLS | 4 | R | 100% | JOHN SCHICKEL | 11 | R | 84% | BRANDON SMITH | 30 | R | 66% |
| MAX WISE | 16 | R | 100% | DAMON THAYER | 17 | R | 84% | JASON HOWELL | 1 | R | 65% |
| RICK GIRDLER | 15 | R | 97% | CHRISTIAN MCDANIEL | 23 | R | 83% | JULIE RAQUE ADAMS | 36 | R | 62% |
| RALPH ALVARADO | 28 | R | 95% | WHITNEY WESTERFIELD | 3 | R | 83% | — Received a "F" Letter Grade — | | | |
| MATT CASTLEN | 8 | R | 94% | ROBERT STIVERS | 25 | R | 82% | ROBIN L. WEBB | 18 | D | 47% |
| DANNY CARROLL | 2 | R | 93% | JIMMY HIGDON | 14 | R | 82% | DENNIS PARRETT | 10 | D | 43% |
| DONALD DOUGLAS | 22 | R | 92% | MICHAEL NEMES | 38 | R | 80% | ALICE FORGY KERR | 12 | R | 29% |
| MIKE WILSON | 32 | R | 90% | — Received a "C" Letter Grade — | | | | REGINALD THOMAS | 13 | D | 6% |
| — Family Advocates — | | | | JOHNNIE TURNER | 29 | R | 79% | DAVID YATES | 37 | D | 6% |
| DAVID GIVENS | 9 | R | 87% | JARED CARPENTER | 34 | R | 75% | KAREN BERG | 26 | D | 4% |
| STEPHEN MEREDITH | 5 | R | 86% | PHILLIP WHEELER | 31 | R | 74% | GERALD NEAL | 33 | D | 2% |
| ADRIENNE SOUTHWORTH | 7 | R | 86% | PAUL HORNBAC | 20 | R | 74% | DENISE HARPER ANGEL | 35 | D | 1% |
| STEPHEN WEST | 27 | R | 85% | BRANDON STORM | 21 | R | 72% | MORGAN MCGARVEY | 19 | D | 0% |
| | | | | WIL SCHRODER | 24 | R | 72% | | | | |
| | | | | C.B. EMBRY, JR. | 6 | R | 71% | | | | |

*** KY Senate Republican Leadership***

Senate President — Robert Stivers (Dist. 25)
Senate President Pro Tempore — David Givens (Dist. 9)
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*** KY Senate Democrat Leadership***

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Minority Caucus Chair — Reginald Thomas (Dist. 13)
Minority Whip — Dennis Parrett (Dist. 10)

KENTUCKY STATE HOUSE

NAME DIST PARTY SCORE

— Family Champions —

| | | | |
|------------------------|-----|---|------|
| MELINDA GIBBONS PRUNTY | 15 | R | 100% |
| LYNN BECHLER | 4 | R | 100% |
| SHANE BAKER | 85 | R | 100% |
| NANCY TATE | 27 | R | 100% |
| JENNIFER DECKER | 58 | R | 100% |
| DAVID HALE | 74 | R | 98% |
| RICHARD HEATH | 2 | R | 98% |
| RANDY BRIDGES | 3 | R | 98% |
| WALKER THOMAS | 8 | R | 98% |
| JOSH CALLOWAY | 10 | R | 97% |
| MARY BETH IMES | 5 | R | 97% |
| MATT LOCKETT | 39 | R | 97% |
| RYAN DOTSON | 73 | R | 96% |
| DAVID MEADE | 80 | R | 95% |
| STEVEN RUDY | 1 | R | 94% |
| JIM DUPLESSIS | 25 | R | 93% |
| JASON PETRIE | 16 | R | 93% |
| BILL WESLEY | 91 | R | 93% |
| DANNY BENTLEY | 98 | R | 93% |
| REGINA HUFF | 82 | R | 93% |
| BRANDON REED | 24 | R | 92% |
| JOSEPH FISCHER | 68 | R | 92% |
| KEN UPCHURCH | 52 | R | 92% |
| JOSH BRAY | 71 | R | 91% |
| KIM KING | 55 | R | 91% |
| SCOTT SHARP | 100 | R | 91% |
| DANIEL FISTER | 56 | R | 90% |
| JAMES TIPTON | 53 | R | 90% |

— Family Advocates —

| | | | |
|-----------------|----|---|-----|
| JOSH BRANSCUM | 83 | R | 88% |
| MYRON DOSSETT | 9 | R | 88% |
| SAVANNAH MADDOX | 61 | R | 87% |
| SARGE POLLOCK | 51 | R | 86% |
| CHRIS FREELAND | 6 | R | 86% |
| TIMMY TRUETT | 89 | R | 86% |
| CHRIS FUGATE | 84 | R | 85% |

NAME DIST PARTY SCORE

— Received a "B-" Letter Grade —

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|---|-----|
| SAL SANTORO | 60 | R | 83% |
| FELICIA RABOURN | 47 | R | 83% |
| THOMAS HUFF | 49 | R | 83% |
| PHILLIP PRATT | 62 | R | 83% |
| DANIEL ELLIOTT | 54 | R | 82% |
| MARK HART | 78 | R | 82% |
| KIMBERLY POORE MOSER | 64 | R | 82% |
| DEANNA FRAZIER | 81 | R | 81% |
| STEVE RILEY | 23 | R | 80% |
| RUSSELL WEBBER | 26 | R | 80% |
| DJ JOHNSON | 13 | R | 80% |
| CHAD MCCOY | 50 | R | 80% |
| SHAWN MCPHERSON | 22 | R | 80% |
| STEVE SHELDON | 17 | R | 80% |
| RICHARD WHITE | 99 | R | 80% |
| — Received a "C" Letter Grade — | | | |
| ADAM BOWLING | 87 | R | 79% |
| DAVID OSBORNE | 59 | R | 79% |
| KEVIN BRATCHER | 29 | R | 77% |
| NORMA KIRK-MCCORMICK | 93 | R | 77% |
| SUZANNE MILES | 7 | R | 76% |
| WILLIAM LAWRENCE | 70 | R | 76% |
| C. ED MASSEY | 66 | R | 76% |
| JOHN BLANTON | 92 | R | 75% |
| JONATHAN DIXON | 11 | R | 75% |
| MATTHEW KOCH | 72 | R | 74% |
| PATRICK FLANNERY | 96 | R | 74% |
| JIM GOOCH JR. | 12 | R | 74% |
| KEN FLEMING | 48 | R | 72% |
| BOBBY MCCOOL | 97 | R | 71% |
| SAMARA HEAVRIN | 18 | R | 71% |
| TOM SMITH | 86 | R | 70% |

NAME DIST PARTY SCORE

— Received a "D" Letter Grade —

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|---|-----|
| SCOTT LEWIS | 14 | R | 69% |
| JASON NEMES | 33 | R | 68% |
| ADAM KOENIG | 69 | R | 64% |
| JERRY MILLER | 36 | R | 64% |
| DEREK LEWIS | 90 | R | 62% |
| ASHLEY TACKETT LAFERTY | 95 | D | 62% |
| MICHAEL MEREDITH | 19 | R | 61% |
| KIM BANTA | 63 | R | 61% |
| BART ROWLAND | 21 | R | 61% |
| — Received a "F" Letter Grade — | | | |
| ANGIE HATTON | 94 | D | 45% |
| KILLIAN TIMONEY | 45 | R | 45% |
| AL GENTRY | 46 | D | 20% |
| JEFFRY DONOHUE | 37 | D | 7% |
| CHARLES MILLER | 28 | D | 7% |
| MCKENZIE CANTRELL | 38 | D | 6% |
| DERRICK GRAHAM | 57 | D | 5% |
| SUSAN WESTROM | 79 | D | 4% |
| NIMA KULKARNI | 40 | D | 4% |
| TINA BOJANOWSKI | 32 | D | 3% |
| CHERLYNN STEVENSON | 88 | D | 3% |
| RUTH PALUMBO | 76 | D | 2% |
| GEORGE BROWN JR. | 77 | D | 2% |
| PAMELA STEVENSON | 43 | D | 2% |
| TOM BURCH | 30 | D | 2% |
| KELLY FLOOD | 75 | D | 1% |
| ATTICA SCOTT | 41 | D | 0% |
| KETURAH HERRON | 42 | D | 0% |
| PATTI MINTER | 20 | D | 0% |
| BUDDY WHEATLEY | 65 | D | 0% |
| JONI JENKINS | 44 | D | 0% |
| LISA WILLNER | 35 | D | 0% |
| RACHEL ROBERTS | 67 | D | 0% |
| MARY LOU MARZIAN | 34 | D | 0% |
| JOSIE RAYMOND | 31 | D | 0% |

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Kentucky is 15th state to ensure fairness for female athletes, pass Save Women's Sports Act.

KY Senate honored Riley for her accomplishments, then overrode Gov. Beshear's veto of the Save Women's Sports Act.

With an overwhelming vote to override Gov. Beshear's (D) veto, Kentucky became the 15th state to Save Women's Sports since 2020 and the 6th this year.

When the Save Women's Sports Act originally passed the Senate, it only protected female athletes in grades 6-12. The Family Foundation team, bolstered by your phone calls and emails, was able to work with House bill author, Rep. Dotson, to amend the bill to also include protections for female athletes at the college level. The Senate concurred with the stronger protections.

While the bill was being considered, the need for this legislation was on full display as Lia Thomas (a biological male) dominated NCAA Women's



OUR TEAM W/ BILL SPONSOR & UK SWIMMER RILEY GAINES:
David Walls, Riley Gaines, KY Sen. Robby Mills, Jamie Bloyd, John Wehrle, and Michael Johnson

Swimming, making it easier for legislators to see the need to protect fairness for all female athletes.

University of Kentucky swimmer, Riley Gaines, who was forced to compete against Thomas, also began to speak out and raise awareness of the unfairness that our female athletes, herself included, were facing (*see below*).

The passage of the Save Women's Sports Act ensures they can continue to enjoy Title IX's promise of a fair and equal playing field. Kentuckians won't soon forget that Beshear turned his back on the Commonwealth's female athletes. He chose a radical gender ideology and national politics over science, biological reality, and common sense.

UK swimmer takes a stand for female athletes.

Riley speaks out after being forced to compete against a biological male at the 2022 NCAA Women's Swimming & Diving Championship.



Riley Gaines, UK Swimmer

Riley Gaines, an accomplished University of Kentucky swimmer, joined the Save Women's Sports bill author, Senator Robby Mills, for a press conference after the Senate voted to override the Governor's veto.

She courageously expressed her concerns about the unfairness of allowing biologically male athletes to compete in women's sports and voiced her support for the bill.

"...We cannot ignore the biological and anatomical differences between males and females — they're blatantly obvious and scientifically proven. Things like heart size, lung size (which affects aerobic capacity), and larger and denser skeletal structures all play a factor. These things

are particularly prominent with respect to activities where speed, size, power, and strength; or cardio/respiratory characteristics are determinative of performance. While hormone suppression does slowly decrease testosterone levels, some of the previously mentioned advantages do not disappear, and will never disappear."

Gaines also pointed out the inherent unfairness of the rules and criteria organizations such as the IOC and NCAA have put in place for transgender participation in female competitions. *"...the maximum testosterone level set in place by these organizations and committees are not compatible with the levels of elite female athletes. The IOC, which is the International Olympic Committee, set the maximum level at 10 nanomoles per liter where the average female is 0.12 - 1.8 nanomoles per liter... Divisions are put in place for a reason. Why don't you*

see feather weight boxers competing against people in the heavy weight category? Why is the Olympics a separate event from the Paralympics? These are rhetorical questions because the answer is obvious and only requires common sense to understand. If these divisions weren't created, the winner would be obvious in virtually every scenario."

She concluded her remarks with an appeal for fairness in women's sports, *"I know I speak for a majority of female athletes across every NCAA sport when I say that biological males should not be competing against women. It's crucial for the NCAA to open their eyes and recognize the irrefutable damage that is being done to everything Title IX stands for — equity, fairness, and creating opportunities for women to succeed at an elite level. Allowing biological male athletes to switch teams when they feel necessary is not only an infringement on female athletes, but a mockery of Title IX."*

The Family Foundation is grateful for Riley Gaines and her courage to speak out against this unfairness. We will continue to stand with her and work to ensure fairness for all female athletes in the Commonwealth.

MORE ABOUT RILEY GAINES

POSITION: Freestyle/Butterfly

MAJOR: Health Sciences

CAREER INCLUDES

- 2022 SEC Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year
- 2022 SEC champion in 100 free, 200 free, 200 fly; silver medalist in 800 free relay; bronze medalist in 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay
- 2021 SEC champion in 200 free, 800 free relay; bronze medalist in 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay
- 2021 U.S. Olympic Trials qualifier

The "Church is Essential Act" reinforces that the Governor is not over the church.

COVID-19 pandemic saw emergency powers used to target churches, but also revealed how essential churches are to our communities.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, unfortunately, the Commonwealth of Kentucky witnessed Gov. Beshear use his emergency powers which ultimately led to the church and religious organizations being discriminated against. The "Church is Essential Act" (HB 43) ensures that will never happen again.

This discrimination was distinctly seen in the verity of the church being forced to close down all the while secular businesses were allowed to remain open, like convenience and liquor stores. Even abortion mills remained open.

Gov. Beshear's discrimination against the church got so serious that he banned in-person worship services and terrorized the faithful by exclaiming criminal penalties would be enforced on those who gathered as a church.

Furthermore, Gov. Beshear directed Kentucky State Police to take note of individuals' license plates who didn't adhere to his unjust order, so that those who refused to comply could be held accountable. Notices left on attendee's cars even threatened to release the information to the public.

To battle against this unfair discrimination against the church, Rep. Shane Baker filed House Bill 43, the "Church is Essential Act."

With the help of The Family Foundation, the "Church is Essential Act" was overwhelmingly passed in this year's legislative session and was ultimately signed into law by the Governor.

Now, Kentuckians' right to freely gather together in worship and exercise their faith is protected by law, and never again can the Governor's emergency powers be used to discriminate against the church and other religious organizations.

Thankfully, now Kentucky law upholds the Biblical reality that the Governor is not the shepherd of the church, Jesus alone is (John 10:10-16).

In addition, this law also with clarity reveals that the Governor is not the pastor of the church and has no authority on leading or giving direction to the church, as this is the role of those in the pastoral office (1 Timothy 5:17-18).

The body of Christ in Kentucky can now gather and fulfill their God-given mandate to assemble together to worship our Lord (Hebrews 10:25) without fear of unnecessary government intrusion camouflaged in the name of the Governor's "emergency powers."



Pro-Life HB 3 passes, abortionists take it to court.

The pro-life Humanity in Healthcare Act's commonsense protections for mothers and their unborn children immediately challenged.

On April 21, 2022 U.S. District Judge Rebecca Jennings entered a temporary restraining order halting Kentucky's newly passed pro-life law (HB 3). The ACLU and Planned Parenthood, on behalf of Kentucky's two abortion centers, went to court immediately after HB 3 took effect, asking that the broadly supported law protecting women and their unborn babies be blocked.

Unfortunately, Judge Jennings fell for the abortion industry's "the sky is falling" routine, in which they falsely claimed that HB 3 required them to immediately shut down. The reality is that the abortion industry chose to voluntarily shut down rather than comply with commonsense health and safety protections for mothers and their unborn children.

As Kentucky's pro-life Attorney General Daniel Cameron explained, "Planned Parenthood is wrong that HB 3 requires it to submit forms and comply with regulations before they exist." The better interpretation accounts for HB 3 as a whole and it is commonsense, that "Planned Parenthood will not be required to use and/or submit such forms until the Cabinet has created and distributed them."

However, Judge Jennings dismissed Cameron's arguments and sided completely with pro-abortion advocates.

The fact that Planned Parenthood could fully comply with many of the re-

porting requirements by simply providing the required information in a manner it finds expedient, even if required before a form is created, was ignored by the judge.

To side with the abortion industry, who profits on the killing of unborn human children, and block health and safety protections for Kentucky's women and their unborn children before all the facts are even known is an alarming miscarriage of justice.

The special favor and deference shown to the abortion industry exposes the temporary restraining order against HB 3 as nothing more

than another activist judicial ruling. Kentuckians can protect against future activist rulings at the state level by passing the "YES for Life" Constitutional Amendment in November.



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This Citizen kicks off our spring fundraising season, and we need your help!

The 2022 General Session was a success... because of YOU! As our team met with legislators and advocated for God-honoring public policy, we were repeatedly told that they had received emails and phone calls from you! Your engagement gave legislators the ears to hear what we were saying and the boldness to stand firm on biblical principles.

We also invested like never before this session, including in our new action center that helped us see nearly 40,000 messages sent through our updated website. **But we need your help to replenish our resources for the big battles ahead!**

2022 is poised to be a monumental year for the values that you and I care deeply about. That includes equipping

Kentuckians for the "YES For Life" Constitutional Amendment, big cases at the U.S. Supreme Court on life and religious freedom, expanding our educational efforts with the new Kentucky Family Scorecard project, and more.

We truly need your financial support to accomplish everything that I believe the Lord has called us to this year.

Will you make a gift to The Family Foundation at this critical time? Every gift makes an impact!

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