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ORDER

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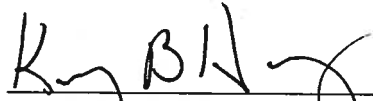
On March 6, 2020, Governor Andy Beshear signed Executive Order 2020-215, declaring a state of emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, a public health emergency. On March 18, 2020, Governor Andy Beshear signed Executive Order 2020-243 and he signed Executive Order 2020-257 on March 25, 2020, charging all state agencies to take all reasonable and necessary steps to ensure appropriate social distancing, and suspending state statutes and regulations to accomplish such measures. Now, therefore, under the authority granted me under Executive Orders 2020-215, 2020-243, 2020-246 and 2020-257, as the Secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet as a member of the Governor's Executive Cabinet as set forth in KRS 11.065, as well as KRS Chapter 39A, including, but not limited to, KRS 39A.180(1), and KRS 12.270, and to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population, and as continuing education requirements and license renewals often require person-to-person contact, I hereby order the following:

1. Any person holding a license, credential, or certificate ("licensee") issued by a Public Protection Cabinet organizational unit or administrative body, where the license, credential, or certificate ("license") requires continuing education for renewal or maintenance of good standing, shall not be required to submit proof of completion of continuing education prior to renewal or to maintain good standing, if the license would expire during the State of Emergency or within 60 days following the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 2020-215; and
2. A licensee shall not be required to complete any portion of the renewal process that is not covered in Section 1. of this Order, and that can only be completed by being physically present at a location, if the license would expire during the State of Emergency, or the month following the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 2020-215; and
3. The issuing Public Protection Cabinet organizational unit or administrative body shall renew or maintain in good standing the license that would have otherwise expired during the time periods and because of one or more of the conditions described in Sections 1. or 2. of this Order, contingent upon the licensee meeting all other licensure requirements; and
4. No later than 120 days from the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 2020-215, a licensee meeting the conditions established in Sections 1. and 2. of this Order shall complete the renewal process; and

5. If a licensee meeting the conditions established in sections 1. and 2. of this Order fails to complete the renewal process by the time period established in Section 4. of this Order, his or her license shall expire or be in bad standing, as applicable, at the end of the time period established in Section 4.; and
6. Nothing in this Order shall prevent a licensee from voluntarily submitting proof of completion of continuing education earlier than the deadlines established in this Order; and
7. Any state statute or regulation inconsistent with the provisions of this Order is suspended.

This Order shall be in effect through the end of the time period established in Section 4. of this Order.

This order is effective March 31, 2020.


Kerry B. Harvey, Secretary
Public Protection Cabinet