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On March 6, 2020 the 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. Therefore, pursuant to the authority in KRS 39A, KRS 194A.025, KRS 214.020 and Executive Order 2020-215 the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, states that the following directive is in effect during this state of emergency:

Individuals who had their sentences commuted pursuant to Executive Order 2020-267 were issued an ID letter from the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Department of Corrections upon their release. These letters are good for 30 days from the date listed on the letter. It is the directive of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department of Community Based Services that these ID letters are to be accepted for the purposes of applying for SNAP benefits during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

The Secretary for the Cabinet for Health and Family Services has been designated by the Governor to deliver these directives during this public health emergency.

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services will continue to provide information and updates to healthcare providers during the duration of this Public Health Emergency.

Sincerely,

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Eric Friedlander
Acting Secretary
Governor's Designee

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