

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER 25-11

FOR: DIRECTIVE TO IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE THROUGH REVIEW AND REORGANIZATION OF PRIOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

WHEREAS, Article 5, Section 1 of the Indiana Constitution vests the executive power of the State of Indiana in the Governor;

WHEREAS, it is the public policy of the State of Indiana that “all persons are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of those who represent them as public officials and employees,” Indiana Code § 5-14-3-1;

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana’s website includes over 400 Executive Orders issued by Indiana Governors since 2005;

WHEREAS, Indiana Governors have issued countless additional Executive Orders since the State of Indiana’s founding in 1816, which are not published on the State of Indiana’s website;

WHEREAS, there is no easy, transparent, or publicly accessible way for state employees or the public to determine which Executive Orders are still active; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Indiana and individuals who work for them in state government as part of executive departments, agencies, offices, boards, and commissions need clarity regarding which Executive Orders are currently in effect to ensure appropriate compliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL K. BRAUN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:


1. The Governor’s General Counsel is directed to conduct a review of the previously issued Executive Orders published on the State of Indiana’s website to determine which Executive Orders are still active.
2. All state agencies are directed to fully cooperate with the Governor’s General Counsel in the review of prior Executive Orders, including:
 - a. Providing information on the history, effectiveness, current use, and continued need for any prior Executive Orders; and
 - b. Recommendations on updating, amending, or modifying any prior Executive Orders if necessary.
3. All state agencies are directed to provide to the Governor’s General Counsel by April 1, 2025, a report containing:
 - a. A copy of any active Executive Orders issued by prior Governors that still apply to the state agency or that the state agency continues to rely upon;
 - b. The history, effectiveness, and continued need for any active Executive Orders, which shall include any prior modifications or revisions to the Executive Order; and
 - c. Recommendations on updating, amending, or modifying any active Executive Orders if necessary.

4. The Governor's General Council is directed to provide a report to the Governor by June 1, 2025, listing all active Executive Orders issued by prior Governors that currently apply to state agencies, including for each Executive Order:
 - a. The Executive Order number;
 - b. The name of the Governor issuing each Executive Order;
 - c. A summary of the purpose of each Executive Order;
 - d. A copy of the text of the Executive Order;
 - e. The history, effectiveness, and continued need for the Executive Orders; and
 - f. Recommendations on updating, amending, or modifying the Executive Order.
5. The Governor's General Council is directed to work with the Indiana Office of Technology to create a new page on the State of Indiana's website by July 1, 2025, listing of all active Executive Orders, regardless of when they were originally issued.
6. The Governor's General Council is directed to review and update the active Executive Order page at least quarterly thereafter to ensure that the list of active Executive Orders is current.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I,
Michael K. Braun, have hereunto set
my hand and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Indiana on
this 14th day of January, 2025.


Michael K. Braun Governor of Indiana

ATTEST: 
Diego Morales
Secretary of State