

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

VALERIA TANCO and SOPHY JESTY, et al.,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	Case No. 3:13-cv-01159
)	Trauger/Griffin
WILLIAM EDWARD “BILL” HASLAM,)	
as Governor of the State of Tennessee,)	
et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANTS’ MOTION FOR STAY PENDING APPEAL

Defendants William Edward “Bill” Haslam, Larry Martin, and Robert E. Cooper, Jr., in their official capacities, have given notice that they are appealing the March 14, 2014, Order, Memorandum, and Preliminary Injunction of this Court granting Plaintiffs’ Motion for Preliminary Injunction (Doc. Nos. 67, 68, and 69) to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1292(a)(1).

Defendants move this Court, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 62(c) and Fed. R. App. P. 8(a), for an order staying the Order, Memorandum, and Preliminary Injunction (Doc. Nos. 67, 68, and 69) entered on March 14, 2014, pending appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

In the event that the Court declines to stay the preliminary injunction for the pendency of the appeal, Defendants respectfully request an order staying the preliminary injunction for a period of twenty-one days to permit the Sixth Circuit time to address a similar motion filed pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 8(a).

In support of this motion, Defendants rely upon a contemporaneously filed Memorandum of Law.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 18, 2014, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt. Parties may access this filing through the Court's electronic filing system.

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