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**2021: Cameron Filed An Appeal To The Supreme Court To In Support Of A New Law Creating Education Opportunity Accounts.** According to the Center Square, "Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron and a nonprofit law firm that backs school-choice measures have asked the state's Supreme Court to take up a case where a Franklin County judge ruled a new state law creating educational opportunity accounts for families as unconstitutional. Franklin Circuit Judge Phillip Shepherd ruled last month that House Bill 563, which the Kentucky General Assembly passed earlier this year, violated the constitution because it involved the use of tax dollars and private organizations." [Center Square, [11/12/21](#)]

### THE KENTUCKY SUPREME COURT FOUND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ACCOUNTS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

**The Kentucky Supreme Court Struck Down Education Opportunity Accounts Saying They Were Unconstitutional.** According to Spectrum News 1, "Kentucky's so-called school choice program, which garnered controversy and a lengthy legal challenge, violates the state constitution, Kentucky's Supreme Court ruled Thursday. House Bill 563, dubbed the Education Opportunity Account Act or the school choice bill, was ruled unconstitutional and struck down by the Kentucky Supreme Court in a unanimous decision affirming Franklin Circuit Judge Phillip Shepherd's ruling." [Spectrum News 1, [12/15/22](#)]

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**The Program Would Have Cost \$125 Million.** According to Louisville Public Media, "The Kentucky Supreme Court has ruled that the state's new tax credit scholarship program is unconstitutional. All seven justices on the bench concurred, upholding the Franklin Circuit Court's earlier ruling on the issue. [...] The \$125 million program never got off the ground because it almost immediately became the subject of a legal challenge from the Council for Better Education. A lower court judge sided with CBE in October 2021, ruling that the program was unconstitutional." [Louisville Public Media, [12/15/22](#)]