

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

STATE OF MISSOURI,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	Case No. 4:25-cv-00077-JAR
vs.	)	
	)	
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND	)	
HUMAN SERVICES and	)	
XAVIER BECERRA in his official capacity	)	
as Secretary of Health and Human Services,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**ORDER STAYING THE CASE**


This matter is before the Court on the parties’ joint motion to stay proceedings in light of an order and judgment recently entered in a similar case resolving issues presented in this one. *See Purl v. United States Dep’t of Health & Human Services*, No. 2:24-CV-228-Z, 2025 WL 1708137 (N.D. Tex. June 18, 2025). In support of the motion, the Government advises the Court that it is evaluating whether to appeal the *Purl* judgment, the deadline for which is August 18.

For good cause shown,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the parties’ joint motion to stay the case is **GRANTED**. (Doc. 40). All proceedings are **STAYED** pending further order of the Court.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the parties are directed to file a status report by August 25, 2025, addressing whether the Court should continue the stay and proposing any appropriate next steps.

Dated this 2nd day of July 2025.

  
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JOHN A. ROSS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE