

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 25-cv-05536-VC

**ORDER RE MOTION TO AMEND
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION TO
ADD KENTUCKY AND WISCONSIN**

Re: Dkt. Nos. 118, 122, 124

The defendants are not wrong to assert that delay in joining a lawsuit until after a preliminary injunction issues could be indicative of tactical gamesmanship and could warrant denial of a motion to expand the scope of the preliminary injunction. But there's no reason to think that this occurred here, for the reasons discussed in the states' reply brief. Accordingly, the motion to amend the preliminary injunction to add Kentucky and Wisconsin is granted.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 22, 2025



VINCE CHHABRIA
United States District Judge