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MEMORANDUM

To: Jay Hartz, Director
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From: Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Secretary *MES*
Personnel Cabinet

Date: November 26, 2025

Re: KRS 61.392 Report

Pursuant to KRS 61.392, please find the enclosed quarterly report, which indicates the number of employees in each cabinet and department of the executive branch as of September 30, 2025. This report includes the number of all full-time classified (merit) and unclassified (non-merit) employees employed pursuant to KRS Chapters 16¹, 18A² and 151B¹.

The grand total of Chapters 16, 18A, and 151B employees is 29,238 which breaks down as follows:

Chapter 16: 923 total employees Chapter 151B: 363 total employees

Chapter 18A: 29,238 total employees
25,360 merit employees
462 non-merit interim employees
1,069 non-merit FFTL (federally funded time-limited) employees
1,061 non-merit other employees

As always, if you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

¹ Currently both Chapter 16 and Chapter 151B reporting of classified and unclassified employees must be obtained from those agencies. The Personnel Cabinet can only provide the total employee counts available in our HR system.

² The following information was excluded from the report, as these employees are not employed pursuant to KRS Chapter 18A: county employees, Property Valuation Administrators, personal service contracts, per diem employees, co-ops, scholarship trainees, board members, constitutional officers, Council on Postsecondary Education, Governor's office employees appointed pursuant to KRS Chapter 11, non-merit positions filled pursuant to other enabling statutes (such as Kentucky Educational Television, Kentucky State Fair Board, Kentucky Historical Society, Kentucky Horse Park, Public Service Commission and the Executive Branch Ethics Commission), and non-merit positions created and appointed pursuant to the statutory authority of specific boards and commissions.

KHRIS Report: HB387 - Exec Branch Full-Time Employee Count by KRS Chapter

Reporting Date: 9-30-25

Chapter	Cabinet	Agency	Unclassified Interim	Unclassified FFTL	Unclassified Other	Classified	Total
Chapter 16	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Kentucky State Police	0	0	0	0	923
Chapter 16			0	0	0	0	923
Chapter 16 Total			0	0	0	0	923
18A	General Government Cabinet	Department of Agriculture	5	7	49	175	236
18A	General Government Cabinet	Attorney General	0	1	108	241	350
18A	General Government Cabinet	Auditor of Public Accounts	0	0	26	194	220
18A	General Government Cabinet	Registry of Election Finance	0	0	1	11	12
18A	General Government Cabinet	Department of Veterans Affairs	2	0	9	705	716
18A	General Government Cabinet	KY Infrastructure Authority	0	2	1	17	20
18A	General Government Cabinet	The Office of Homeland Security	0	9	7	0	16
18A	General Government Cabinet	Department of Military Affairs	0	0	6	68	74
18A	General Government Cabinet	Department for Local Government	0	0	0	27	27
18A	General Government Cabinet	Secretary of State	0	0	7	21	28
18A	General Government Cabinet	State Treasurer	0	2	8	18	28
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Dentistry	0	0	0	2	2
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Elections	0	0	0	5	5
18A	General Government Cabinet	KY Board of Architects	0	0	2	0	2
18A	General Government Cabinet	Kentucky Board of Cosmetology	0	0	3	16	19
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Medical Licensure	0	0	0	17	17
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Nursing	0	0	0	22	22
18A	General Government Cabinet	Personnel Board	0	0	1	3	4
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Pharmacy	0	0	0	6	6
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Physical Therapy	0	0	1	0	1
18A	General Government Cabinet	Board of Veterinary Examiners	0	0	1	2	3
18A	General Government Cabinet	Human Rights Commission	0	0	0	11	11
18A	General Government Cabinet	Office of State Budget Director	0	0	0	20	20
18A	General Government Cabinet	KY Brd for Med Imaging & Radiation Thrp	0	0	1	0	1
18A	General Government Cabinet	Kentucky Public Pensions Authority	2	0	18	245	265
18A	General Government Cabinet	KY Board of Emergency Medical Services	0	0	2	10	12
18A	General Government Cabinet		9	21	251	1,836	2,117
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	0	0	19	50	69
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Office of Legal Services	0	0	3	30	33
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Off of Support Services	0	0	2	35	37
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Department of Aviation	0	0	5	23	28

18A	Transportation Cabinet	Office of Human Resource Management	0	0	3	28	31
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Off of Information Technology	0	0	2	22	24
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Office of Audits	0	0	2	32	34
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Office of Transportation Delivery	0	0	1	15	16
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Department of Highways	8	0	73	3,674	3,755
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Department of Rural and Municipal Aid	0	0	5	7	12
18A	Transportation Cabinet	Department of Vehicle Regulation	0	0	10	372	382
18A	Transportation Cabinet		8	0	125	4,288	4,421
18A	Cabinet for Economic Development	Office of the Secretary	0	0	33	39	72
18A	Cabinet for Economic Development		0	0	33	39	72
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	KY Higher Educ Assistance Authority	0	0	0	7	7
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	Commonwealth Office of Technology	0	0	15	191	206
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	KY River Authority	0	0	0	7	7
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	Department of Revenue	0	0	22	763	785
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	1	0	17	111	129
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	Office of the Controller	0	0	13	76	89
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet	Dept for Facilities and Support Svcs	0	0	17	201	218
18A	Finance & Administration Cabinet		1	0	84	1,356	1,441
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Heritage Council	0	0	1	24	25
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Arts Council	0	0	0	10	10
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Resources	45	41	10	377	473
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Horse Park	0	0	0	43	43
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Department of Parks	299	0	13	627	939
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	1	0	13	4	18
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Artisans Center at Berea	0	0	1	20	21
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	Kentucky Department of Tourism	0	0	3	27	30
18A	Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet		345	41	41	1,132	1,559
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Office of the Secretary	2	0	50	317	369
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Office of Inspector General	0	0	6	210	216
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Dept for Aging and Independent Living	0	1	6	68	75
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Department for Public Health	0	223	17	421	661
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Dept for Behav Health, Dev & Int Disab	0	44	11	425	480
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Dept for Fam Res Ctrs & Vol Svcs	0	0	0	6	6
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Dept for Community Based Services	66	0	16	5,006	5,088
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services	Department for Medicaid Services	0	0	15	195	210
18A	Cabinet for Health & Family Services		68	268	121	6,648	7,105
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	0	6	26	105	137
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Department of Public Advocacy	4	4	6	695	709
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Kentucky State Police	0	5	2	861	868
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Department of Juvenile Justice	0	1	18	1,108	1,127

18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Dept of Criminal Justice Training	0	0	6	192	198
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	Department of Corrections	1	0	34	3,757	3,792
18A	Justice & Public Safety Cabinet		5	16	92	6,718	6,831
18A	Personnel Cabinet	Pers Cabinet - Office of the Secretary	2	0	15	55	72
18A	Personnel Cabinet	Department of Human Resources Admin	0	0	3	37	40
18A	Personnel Cabinet	Department of Employee Insurance	0	0	2	42	44
18A	Personnel Cabinet		2	0	20	134	156
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	KY Public Service Commission	0	0	0	72	72
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	0	0	13	33	46
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Department for Natural Resources	12	49	12	450	523
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Dept for Environmental Protection	4	22	5	662	693
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Office of Administrative Services	2	6	5	86	99
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Office of Energy Policy	0	5	1	1	7
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet	Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves	4	8	1	13	26
18A	Energy & Environment Cabinet		22	90	37	1,317	1,466
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	0	0	20	38	58
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Department of Insurance	0	0	11	84	95
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Department of Professional Licensing	0	0	12	25	37
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	KY Boxing and Wrestling Commission	0	0	1	0	1
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Dept of Alcoholic Beverage Control	0	0	5	50	55
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Department of Financial Institutions	0	0	4	97	101
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Dept of Housing, Buildings and Const	1	0	9	230	240
18A	Public Protection Cabinet	Office of Claims and Appeals	0	1	2	14	17
18A	Public Protection Cabinet		1	1	64	538	604
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department of Workplace Standards	0	0	5	87	92
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department of Workers' Claims	0	0	42	74	116
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	KY OSH Review Commission	1	0	1	2	4
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Workers' Compensation Funding Commission	0	0	8	0	8
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Office of Unemployment Insurance	0	145	1	58	204
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing	0	0	2	8	10
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Kentucky Environmental Education Council	0	0	1	1	2
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Office of the Secretary	0	4	33	112	149
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Comiss	0	4	0	6	10
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Office of Educational Programs	0	0	1	0	1
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department of Workforce Development	0	127	15	432	574
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	KY Commission on Proprietary Education	0	0	1	0	1
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department of Education	0	56	72	478	606
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Kentucky Educational Television	0	0	0	1	1
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department for Libraries and Archives	0	1	4	62	67
18A	Education & Labor Cabinet	Dept for Disability Determination Svrs	0	295	7	33	335

18A	Education & Labor Cabinet		1	632	193	1,354	2,180
18A Total			462	1,069	1,061	25,360	27,952
Tech Ed-S	Education & Labor Cabinet	Department of Education	0	0	0	0	363
Tech Ed-S	Education & Labor Cabinet		0	0	0	0	363
Tech Ed-S Total			0	0	0	0	363
Grand Total			462	1,069	1,061	25,360	29,238

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Cabinet for Economic Development	33
Cabinet for Health & Family Services	120
Education & Labor Cabinet	94
Energy & Environment Cabinet	53
Finance & Administration Cabinet	84
General Government Cabinet	93
Justice & Public Safety Cabinet	82
Personnel Cabinet	20
Public Protection Cabinet	66
Tourism, Arts, & Heritage Cabinet	33
Transportation Cabinet	79
Total	757