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SPECIAL PURPOSE
GOVERNMENTAL
ENTITY (SPGE)
PROGRAM

Interim Joint Committee on Local Government

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Topics



Overview



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What are Special Purpose Governmental Entities (SPGEs)?



SPGEs are independent, political subdivisions of the state, government entities that exercise less than statewide jurisdiction and are organized for the purpose of performing specific services within limited boundaries.



A few examples include libraries, tourism, and extensions.

DLG Responsibility per KRS Chapter 65A

Create and maintain:

- Online central registry
- Online reporting portal
- Online public access portal

Monitor compliance:

- Track status changes when notified (Newfound, Newly Created, Dissolution, and Merged SPGEs)
- Prepare statutorily required reports
- Activate noncompliance procedures

SPGE System Enhancement Plan – Overview of Key Features

- As we continue to enhance the SPGE system, our goal is to improve efficiency, transparency, and communication for both the SPGEs and the DLG.
- These updates will help streamline processes, improve user experience, and ensure that important compliance measures are maintained.
- While this isn't an exhaustive list, it highlights some of the most impactful changes we're implementing to support our ongoing efforts.

List of SPGE System Enhancements

- **2-Way Message Center:** Enhanced communication between SPGEs and DLG
- **Newspaper Accounts Receivable and Payable:** Streamlined management of newspaper billing and payments
- **Newfound and Newly Created SPGEs:** Tracking and reporting on new SPGE formations
- **SPGEs Who Have Merged:** Monitoring and reporting on SPGEs that have merged with others
- **Ethics Ordinance:** Compliance checks for local government ethics ordinances
- **Automated Noncompliance Notifications:** Automatic alerts to SPGEs for noncompliance status
- **Newsletter:** Regular updates and key information delivered to SPGEs
- **Board Member Expirations:** Tracking of board member terms and expirations
- **SPGE Dashboard – User Visits:** Insights into dashboard usage and user activity
- **Identity Management - Secondary Accounts:** Manage additional user accounts under a single SPGE
- **Identity Management - Clone Accounts:** Duplicate existing accounts for streamlined user setup



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Footnotes & Assumptions

- Data is as of October 10, 2025, 12:46 PM
- Compliance is based on all Active SPGEs

Status Summary

Status	Count	Percentage
273 Exempt	431	21.71%
75 Exempt	33	1.66%
Active	1377	69.37%
Hold	62	3.12%
Process - Merged	2	0.10%
Result - Dissolved	54	2.72%
Result - Merged	26	1.31%

Overall Compliance

Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
85.26%	14.74%	1174	203

Compliance by Cycle

Cycle	Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
Jan-Dec	98.54%	1.46%	135	2
Apr-Mar	100.00%	0.00%	40	0
Jul-Jun	83.04%	16.96%	984	201
Oct-Sep	100.00%	0.00%	15	0

Compliance by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
2014	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
2015	99.84%	0.16%	1242	2
2016	99.92%	0.08%	1256	1
2017	99.84%	0.16%	1270	2
2018	99.85%	0.15%	1291	2
2019	99.54%	0.46%	1291	6
2020	99.54%	0.46%	1299	6
2021	99.25%	0.75%	1315	10
2022	99.18%	0.82%	1328	11
2023	98.75%	1.25%	1345	17
2024	97.88%	2.12%	1339	29
2025	85.44%	14.56%	1174	200
2026	94.55%	5.45%	1301	75

Compliance by District Type

District Type	Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
Agricultural Extension	100.00%	0.00%	120	0
Air Board	77.50%	22.50%	31	9
Ambulance	90.91%	9.09%	40	4
Area Development	86.67%	13.33%	13	2
Area Planning Commission	87.50%	12.50%	14	2
Cable Commission	33.33%	66.67%	1	2
Cemetery	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Community Action Corporation	86.96%	13.04%	20	3
Community Correction Advisory	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Community Improvement	80.00%	20.00%	4	1
Courthouse Commission	0.00%	100.00%	0	1
Drainage and Levee	0.00%	100.00%	0	2
Emergency Telephone Service	73.33%	26.67%	11	4
Fire Protection	80.43%	19.57%	74	18
Flood Control	0.00%	100.00%	0	1
Hospital	62.50%	37.50%	5	3
Housing Authority	98.96%	1.04%	95	1
Human Rights Commission	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Industrial Development Authority/Economic Development	75.47%	24.53%	80	26
Landbank Authority	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Library	93.10%	6.90%	108	8
Mass Transit Authority	85.71%	14.29%	6	1
Mental Health	100.00%	0.00%	10	0
Other	66.67%	33.33%	6	3
Parks and Recreation	56.25%	43.75%	9	7

Task Compliance by District Type – Registration & Budget Submissions

District Type	Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
Public Health	85.57%	14.43%	83	14
Public Health (Fee Exemption)	23.53%	76.47%	8	26
Public Utilities (With Components)	76.92%	23.08%	10	3
Public Utilities (Without Components)	0.00%	100.00%	0	1
Recycling	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Regional Jail	100.00%	0.00%	3	0
Rescue Squad	56.25%	43.75%	9	7
Riverport Authority	70.00%	30.00%	7	3
Sanitation District	76.92%	23.08%	20	6
Sewer District	63.64%	36.36%	7	4
Soil and Water Conservation	98.33%	1.67%	118	2
Solid Waste Management	100.00%	0.00%	7	0
Tourist and Convention	76.47%	23.53%	91	28
TVA Municipal Utilities (With components)	71.43%	28.57%	5	2
TVA Municipal Utilities (Without Components)	50.00%	50.00%	2	2
Utility Provider (Combined)	100.00%	0.00%	2	0
Water Commission	62.50%	37.50%	5	3
Water District	98.20%	1.80%	109	2
Watershed Conservancy	94.74%	5.26%	36	2

Task Compliance by District Type (Continued) – Registration & Budget Submissions

Overall Audit Compliance

Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
88.31%	11.69%	1216	161

Audit Compliance by Cycle

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Apr-Mar	100.00%	0.00%	40	0
Jul-Jun	86.75%	13.25%	1028	157
Oct-Sep	100.00%	0.00%	15	0

Audit Compliance by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	Compliant (%)	Non-Compliant (%)	Compliant (#)	Non-Compliant (#)
2015	98.79%	1.21%	1228	15
2016	98.49%	1.51%	1238	19
2017	98.66%	1.34%	1256	17
2018	96.37%	3.63%	1247	47
2019	98.15%	1.85%	1274	24
2020	97.86%	2.14%	1278	28
2021	97.89%	2.11%	1297	28
2022	95.67%	4.33%	1282	58
2023	96.11%	3.89%	1309	53
2024	92.11%	7.89%	1261	108
2025	98.98%	1.02%	1360	14
2026	98.98%	1.02%	1362	14

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Ambulance	79.55%	20.45%	35	9
Area Development	100.00%	0.00%	15	0
Area Planning Commission	87.50%	12.50%	14	2
Cable Commission	100.00%	0.00%	3	0
Cemetery	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Community Action Corporation	95.65%	4.35%	22	1
Community Correction Advisory	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Community Improvement	80.00%	20.00%	4	1
Courthouse Commission	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Drainage and Levee	0.00%	100.00%	0	2
Emergency Telephone Service	66.67%	33.33%	10	5
Fire Protection	84.78%	15.22%	78	14
Flood Control	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Hospital	87.50%	12.50%	7	1
Housing Authority	100.00%	0.00%	96	0
Human Rights Commission	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Industrial Development Authority/Economic Development	77.36%	22.64%	82	24
Landbank Authority	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
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Other	88.89%	11.11%	8	1
Parks and Recreation	62.50%	37.50%	10	6
Public Health	96.91%	3.09%	94	3
Public Health (Fee Exemption)	91.18%	8.82%	31	3
Public Utilities (With Components)	92.31%	7.69%	12	1
Public Utilities (Without Components)	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Recycling	100.00%	0.00%	1	0
Regional Jail	33.33%	66.67%	1	2
Rescue Squad	50.00%	50.00%	8	8
Riverport Authority	100.00%	0.00%	10	0
Sanitation District	80.77%	19.23%	21	5
Sewer District	72.73%	27.27%	8	3
Soil and Water Conservation	96.67%	3.33%	116	4
Solid Waste Management	57.14%	42.86%	4	3
Tourist and Convention	77.31%	22.69%	92	27
TVA Municipal Utilities (With components)	100.00%	0.00%	7	0
TVA Municipal Utilities (Without Components)	100.00%	0.00%	4	0
Utility Provider (Combined)	100.00%	0.00%	2	0
Water Commission	62.50%	37.50%	5	3
Water District	96.40%	3.60%	107	4
Watershed Conservancy	94.74%	5.26%	36	2

Audit Compliance by District Type (Continued) – Requirements & Submissions

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