

**224A.300 Findings and goals of General Assembly regarding provision of water services in the Commonwealth -- Transfer of responsibility -- Administrative regulations.**

- (1) The General Assembly finds that it is necessary to encourage regionalization, consolidation, and partnerships among governmental agencies, and private parties when appropriate, with the goal of making public water and wastewater treatment secure for all Kentuckians. This is accomplished through the maximization of financial, managerial, and technical resources and the protection of source water of the Commonwealth. Based on these findings, the General Assembly declares that the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority shall implement a program for reliable infrastructure and the security and safety of water and wastewater systems as authorized in the budget and directed by the General Assembly. The Energy and Environment Cabinet shall provide technical support to the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority as needed to implement this program.
- (2) The authority shall be responsible for the management and operation of the Water Resource Information System. The authority shall maintain and, at least annually, update the information contained in this system to ensure its accuracy.
- (3) The authority may request all branches of state and local government, including special districts and water districts, to provide information relating to the status of existing plants, the financial condition of existing systems, and the existing regulatory authority held by agencies of government regarding the issue of water management. All branches of state and local government shall, to the extent reasonable and appropriate, comply with such requests for information.
- (4) The authority shall promulgate administrative regulations that require a water supply and distribution system receiving or seeking funding to provide current information regarding the financial, managerial, and technical aspects of its system and, thereafter, to furnish updates to the information so provided.

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