

CHAPTER 39**(HB 137)**

AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. KRS 7B.030 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The board of the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center shall consist of twenty-one (21) members, including ten (10) members selected from state government and eleven (11) at-large members selected from the private and civic sectors, universities, and local governments.
 - (a) State government members shall be appointed as follows:
 1. Three (3) members of the House of Representatives and three (3) members of the Senate shall be appointed by the Legislative Research Commission; and 2. Four (4) members from the executive branch shall be appointed by the Governor.
 - (b) At-large members shall be appointed as follows:
 1. Five (5) members shall be appointed by the Legislative Research Commission and confirmed by the House of Representatives and the Senate; and
 2. Six (6) members shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the House of Representatives and the Senate;
 3. ~~Initial at-large appointees may serve prior to confirmation; thereafter, persons appointed to fill expired terms of at large members shall be confirmed prior to assuming board membership, and board members with expiring terms shall serve until their replacements have been confirmed;~~
 4. ~~Persons appointed to fill vacancies in unexpired terms of at large members~~ may serve prior to confirmation, but shall continue to serve only if confirmed at the next regular session, or special session if the matter is included in the call therefor of the General Assembly;
 - 4.~~5.~~The provisions of KRS 11.160 shall apply to Senate and House of Representatives confirmation of at-large members appointed by the Legislative Research Commission and the Governor.
- (2) Board members shall serve four (4) year terms, except initial appointments shall be for terms as follows:
 - (a) The Legislative Research Commission shall initially appoint two (2) legislators for terms of two (2) years, two (2) legislators for terms of three (3) years and two (2) legislators for terms of four (4) years; and shall initially appoint one (1) at-large member for a two (2) year term, two (2) at-large members for three (3) year terms, and two (2) at-large members for four (4) year terms.
 - (b) The Governor shall initially appoint two (2) members from the executive branch for terms of two (2) years, one (1) for a three (3) year term, and one (1) for a four (4) year term, and shall initially appoint two (2) at-large members for terms of two (2) years, two (2) for three (3) year terms, and two (2) for four (4) year terms.

- (3) Members of the board shall meet the same age and state residency requirements as provided in Section 32 of the Kentucky Constitution for members of the House of Representatives, shall represent the cultural diversity of Kentucky, and shall have demonstrated an interest in the well-being and development of the Commonwealth.
- (4) The chair shall be elected annually by the board and shall alternate between the members selected from state government and the at-large members. If the chair is a member selected from state government, the vice chair shall be an at-large member, and if the chair is an at-large member, the vice chair shall be a member selected from state government.
- (5) Board members who miss three (3) consecutive meetings ~~may~~~~shall~~ be ~~automatically~~ removed from the board **by a majority vote of the board at any regularly scheduled meeting in which a quorum is present.** ~~The position shall~~ **then** be declared vacant and shall be filled in the same manner as it was originally appointed.
- (6) If vacancies are not filled by the original appointing authority within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of the vacancy, the board ~~may~~~~shall~~ fill the vacancy. **Approved February 25, 2000**

