

CHAPTER 136**(HB 51)**

AN ACT relating to the Legislature.

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

Section 1. KRS 6A.110 is repealed, reenacted as a new section of KRS Chapter 6, and amended to read as follows:

The Legislative Research Commission shall maintain separate bill request files as follows:

- (1) A regular session bill request file in which all requests for legislation to be enacted at a regular session are filed in serial order;
- (2) A special session bill request file which shall be maintained from the time the Governor issues an executive order calling a special session of the General Assembly until the end of the special session in which all requests for legislation to be enacted at a special session are filed in serial order;
- ~~(3) An organizational session bill request file in which all requests for resolutions to be enacted at an organizational session are filed in serial order;~~
- ~~(4)~~ Bill requests filed for a particular type of session of the General Assembly shall not be introduced in a session of a type other than that for which they are filed. This section shall not be construed as prohibiting the filing of multiple requests by the same or other sponsors for one (1) or more types of sessions of the General Assembly.
- ~~(4)~~~~(5)~~ Each bill request shall indicate on its face the type of session and the year of session of the General Assembly for which it is being filed.

Section 2. KRS 7B.060 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The purpose of the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center is to serve as a catalyst to change the way decisions are made in government by providing decision-makers a broader context in which to make decisions, taking into consideration the long-term implications of policy, critical trends, and emerging issues which may have a significant impact on the state.
- (2) At the direction of the board, the center shall:
 - (a) Establish a statewide scanning program to review information sources and identify emerging issues for the Commonwealth, and regularly provide the program's findings to the legislative and executive branches;
 - (b)
 1. Prepare biennially a report on trends in the Commonwealth and the long-term implications of those trends;
 2. As part of the report, sponsor a public forum to review the findings of the trends report and obtain reactions from executive branch agencies, legislative committees, private sector representatives, and the public;
 3. Include in the report a record of the trends, long-term implications, and reactions, to be completed by December 31 of even-numbered years and presented to the ~~organizational session of the~~ General Assembly, to the Governor, and to the public; and

4. The biennial trends report shall be given affirmative consideration by the agencies and branches of state government when those agencies and branches are determining budget priorities;
- (c) Identify long-term issues significant to the Commonwealth by using a methodology involving a broad spectrum of citizens and establish annual work plans focusing on the priority issues approved by the board. Studies shall include the potential long-term effects of current trends and policies and shall identify future policy options;
- (d) Periodically prepare a report on alternative futures facing the Commonwealth for a five (5) or ten (10) year period, or for a period deemed appropriate by the board;
- (e) Advise the General Assembly and the Governor of potential long-term effects of government policies;
- (f) Develop an information process to inform the public continually on long-term issues, critical trends, and alternative futures;
- (g) Develop a database for trend identification.

Section 3. KRS 161.740 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Teachers eligible for continuing service status in any school district shall be those teachers who meet qualifications listed in this section:
 - (a) Hold a standard or college certificate as defined in KRS 161.720 or meet the certification standards for vocational education teachers established by the Education Professional Standards Board.
 - (b) When a currently employed teacher is reemployed by the superintendent after teaching four (4) consecutive years in the same district, or after teaching four (4) years which shall fall within a period not to exceed six (6) years in the same district, the year of present employment included, the superintendent shall issue a written continuing contract if the teacher assumes his duties, and the superintendent shall notify the board of the action taken. Each day served in the General Assembly by a board of education employee during a regular ~~or~~ extraordinary~~, or organizational~~ session shall be included in the computation of a year as defined in KRS 161.720(2).
 - (c) When a teacher has attained continuing contract status in one district and becomes employed in another district, the teacher shall retain that status. However, a district may require a one (1) year probationary period of service in that district before granting that status. For purposes of this subsection, the continuing contract of a teacher shall not be terminated when the teacher leaves employment, all provisions of KRS 161.720 to 161.810 to the contrary notwithstanding, and the continuing service contract shall be transferred to the next school district, under conditions set forth in this section, for a period of up to seven (7) months from the time employment in the first school district has terminated. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to give a teacher a right to reemployment in the first school district during the seven (7) month period following termination.
 - (d) Service credit toward a continuing contract shall begin only when a teacher is properly certified as defined in KRS 161.720(6) or, in the case of a vocational education teacher, when the required certification standards established by the Education Professional Standards Board have been met.

- (2) Vocational education teachers fulfilling the requirements in subsection (1) of this section as of July 15, 1982, shall be eligible for continuing service status.
- (3) Any teacher or superintendent who has been or may be hereafter inducted into the Armed Forces of this country, shall at the expiration of service be reemployed or reinstated in a comparable position as of the beginning of the next school year, provided application is made at least thirty (30) days before the opening of school, unless physically or mentally incapacitated according to medical notations on official discharge papers. Vacancies created by military leaves shall be filled by teachers or superintendents employed by the board of education under a limited contract of one (1) year or less.

Section 4. KRS 7.140 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The execution of the functions provided for in KRS 7.120, 7.131, 7.132, 7.134, 7.136, 7.138, and this section shall be carried out by a reviser of statutes, who shall be appointed by the Commission upon recommendation of the director. The reviser may be removed only upon the approval of the Legislative Research Commission. The reviser shall be learned in the law and shall be either a member of the bar of Kentucky or a person who has had at least two (2) years of responsible experience in statute revision work~~[in some other state]~~.
- (2) The reviser of statutes shall perform any additional duties required by the Commission. He shall cooperate with and assist the director of the Legislative Research Commission to the fullest extent practicable in the performance of his duties and on request of the director shall draft bills, provide legal research and other assistance, and perform such other duties as do not substantially interfere with the performance of his duties under KRS 7.120, 7.131, 7.132, 7.134, 7.136, 7.138, and this section.

Section 5. The following KRS sections are repealed:

- 6A.010 Employees.
- 6A.020 Compensation.
- 6A.030 Expense allowance.
- 6A.040 Prorating of allowance authorized by KRS 6.213.
- 6A.050 Allowance in lieu of stationery.
- 6A.060 Lobbyists.
- 6A.070 Daily index and digest.
- 6A.080 Orientation conference.
- 6A.090 Prefiling of bill or resolution.
- 6A.100 Application of KRS Chapter 6.
- 6A.120 Action of Program Review and Investigation Committee.
- 6A.130 Action of Administrative Regulation Committee.
- 6A.140 Assignment of bills to committees.
- 6A.150 Rulemaking powers.

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