

CHAPTER 125**(SB 128)**

AN ACT relating to reorganization.

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

➔Section 1. KRS 227.205 is amended to read as follows:

The Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction (hereinafter referred to as the department of housing) is hereby created within the Public Protection Cabinet. The department shall be headed by a commissioner appointed by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.040, and who shall report to the secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet. The office of the commissioner shall also include a deputy commissioner and an executive assistant to the commissioner, who shall be the policy making assistants to the commissioner and shall be appointed pursuant to KRS 12.050. The department shall consist of the Division of Fire Prevention, the Division of Building Codes Enforcement, the Division of Plumbing, *the Electrical Division*, and the Division of Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC).

➔Section 2. KRS 227.530 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) There is hereby created an Electrical Advisory Committee which shall be attached to the *Electrical Division within the* Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction for administrative purposes. The committee shall be constituted as follows:
 - (a) Two (2) members chosen from public utility companies;
 - (b) Two (2) members who are electricians;
 - (c) Two (2) members who are certified electrical inspectors, one (1) of whom shall be employed by a governmental entity and the other who shall be an independent contractor engaged in the business of inspecting electrical installations;
 - (d) Two (2) members who are licensed professional electrical engineers;
 - (e) Two (2) members who are engaged in the business of electrical contracting; and
 - (f) One (1) member who is engaged in the business of electrical contracting and who employs no more than five (5) full-time employees when appointed.
- (2) Committee members shall be appointed by the Governor for four (4) year terms. No committee member shall be appointed for more than one (1) successive term.
- (3) The committee shall meet at least quarterly or upon request of the department for the purpose of considering matters relating to electrical installations and electrical inspections. The committee shall have the opportunity to review and comment on relevant administrative regulations that are subject to the requirements of KRS 198B.030(8) and (9) and 198B.040(11) and shall make recommendations to and otherwise advise the department on these matters.
- (4) All committee members shall be compensated for expenses incurred in the conduct of Commonwealth business.

➔Section 3. The General Assembly confirms Executive Order 2013-894, dated December 16, 2013, to the extent it is not otherwise confirmed or superseded by this Act.

Signed by Governor April 11, 2014.