

40.300 Department of Veterans' Affairs attached to Office of Governor -- Organization.

- (1) There is created the Department of Veterans' Affairs, which shall be attached to the Office of the Governor for administrative purposes. Notwithstanding KRS 12.028, the department's status as a separate organizational unit attached to the Office of the Governor shall not be changed except by action of the General Assembly. The department shall be headed by a commissioner appointed by the Governor pursuant to KRS 12.040. The Office of the Commissioner is created within the department.
- (2) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall include the Governor's Advisory Board for Veterans' Affairs established by KRS 40.305.
- (3) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall be responsible for providing services to veterans in accordance with KRS 40.310 and KRS 40.320 to 40.335.
- (4) There is created the Office of Veteran Legal Services within the Office of the Commissioner. The office shall be headed by an executive director appointed pursuant to KRS 12.050 who shall report to the commissioner of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.
- (5) There is created the Office of Kentucky Veterans' Services within the Office of the Commissioner. The office shall be headed by an executive director appointed pursuant to KRS 12.050 who shall report to the commissioner of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

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History: Amended 2021 Ky. Acts ch. 95, sec. 1, effective June 29, 2021. -- Amended 2001 Ky. Acts ch. 10, sec. 2, effective June 21, 2001. -- Repealed, reenacted, and amended 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 147, sec. 1, effective July 14, 2000. -- Amended 1998 Ky. Acts ch. 88, sec. 1, effective July 15, 1998. -- Created 1996 Ky. Acts ch. 244, sec. 1, effective July 15, 1996.

Formerly codified as KRS 36.300.