

148.522 Organization of Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet.

- (1) The Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet shall consist of the Office of the Secretary, the Office of Legal Affairs, the Office of Finance, the Office of Government Relations and Administration, the Office of Human Resources, the Office of Public Affairs and Constituent Services, the Office of Arts and Cultural Heritage, the Kentucky Department of Tourism, the Kentucky Department of Parks, the Tourism Development Finance Authority, and such other divisions and sections as are from time to time deemed necessary for the proper and efficient operation of the cabinet subject to the provisions of KRS Chapter 12.
- (2) The Office of Legal Affairs shall be headed by a general counsel appointed by the secretary pursuant to KRS 12.210, shall provide legal services for the cabinet, and shall be directly responsible to the secretary.
- (3) The Kentucky Department of Tourism shall be headed by a commissioner appointed by the Governor pursuant to the provisions of KRS 12.040. The commissioner shall have the authority and responsibility for the promotion, development, and support services for the tourism industry within the Commonwealth.
- (4) The Divisions of Tourism Services, Marketing and Administration, and Communications and Promotions are created within the Kentucky Department of Tourism. Each division shall be headed by a division director who shall be appointed by the commissioner of the department pursuant to the provisions of KRS 12.050.

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Legislative Research Commission Note (6/29/2017). Under the authority of KRS 7.136(2), references to various agencies within the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet in this statute have been changed in codification to reflect the reorganization of certain parts of the Executive Branch, as set forth in Executive Order 2016-856 and confirmed by the General Assembly in 2017 Ky. Acts ch. 110.

Legislative Research Commission Note (6/29/2017). Under the authority of KRS 7.136(2), one or more references to the "Kentucky Department of Travel and Tourism" in this statute have been changed in codification to the "Kentucky Department of Tourism" to reflect the reorganization of certain parts of the Executive Branch, as set forth in Executive Order 2016-856 and confirmed by the General Assembly in 2017 Ky. Acts ch. 110.

Legislative Research Commission Note (6/20/2005). 2005 Ky. Acts chs. 11, 85, 97, 98, 99, 123, and 181 instruct the Reviser of Statutes to correct statutory references to agencies and officers whose names have been changed in 2005 legislation confirming the reorganization of the executive branch. Such a correction has been made in this

section.