

146.090 Soil and Water Conservation Commission.

- (1) The secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet, with the approval of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall divide the state into nine (9) soil and water conservation areas which shall contain as nearly as practicable, an equal number of soil and water conservation districts.
- (2) The Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall consist of nine (9) members, not more than five (5) of whom shall be of the same political party, to be appointed by the secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet with the approval of the Governor.
- (3) One (1) member shall be appointed from each of the areas from a list of two (2) names submitted from each area by the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts. All members of the commission shall be supervisors of soil and water conservation districts.
- (4) The term of office of each member shall be four (4) years; provided that, whenever a member of the commission ceases to hold the office of district supervisor by virtue of which he or she is serving on the commission, his or her term of office as a member of the commission shall be terminated. In the case of any vacancy other than the one (1) caused by the expiration of a term, the secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint the successor from a list of two (2) names submitted by the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts from the area which was represented by the former member. The successor shall also be a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district.
- (5) The members of the commission shall designate a chairman from among their members and may from time to time change such designation. The commission shall keep a record of its official actions. A majority of the commission shall constitute a quorum. The commission may call upon the Attorney General for legal services as it may require. It may delegate to its chairman, any of its members, the director of the division, or any officer, employee, or agent, powers and duties as it deems proper. Members of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be entitled to expenses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in discharging their duties.
- (6) The following persons are advisory members of the commission by virtue of their offices: the secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the director of the agricultural experiment station, the director of vocational education, and the state conservationist of the United States Department of Agriculture.

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