

AN ACT relating to the commissioner of education.

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

➔Section 1. KRS 156.148 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Effective January 1, 1991, the commissioner of education shall be the chief state school officer. He shall possess the professional qualifications determined by the Kentucky Board of Education as appropriate for the office.
- (2) The commissioner shall be appointed by the Kentucky Board of Education ***and shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate in accordance with KRS 11.160.*** ***The commissioner shall***^[,] serve at the pleasure of the board^[,] and receive compensation as set by the board, the provisions of KRS 64.640 notwithstanding.
- (3) The commissioner of education shall be the executive and administrative officer of the Kentucky Board of Education in its administration of all educational matters and functions placed under its management and control. He shall carry out all duties assigned to him by law; shall execute under the direction of the state board the educational policies, orders, directives, and administrative functions of the board; and shall direct the work of all persons employed in the Department of Education.
- (4) The commissioner of education shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties.