

1 AN ACT relating to reorganizations and declaring an emergency.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 12.028 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) Recognizing the necessity for grouping related functions of organizational units and
5 administrative bodies in order to promote greater economy, efficiency and improved
6 administration, the Governor, the Kentucky Economic Development Partnership as
7 created in KRS 154.10-010, and other elected state executive officers may propose
8 to the General Assembly, for its approval, changes in the state government
9 organizational structure which may include the creation, alteration or abolition of
10 any organizational unit or administrative body and the transfer of functions,
11 personnel, funds, equipment, facilities, and records from one (1) organizational unit
12 or administrative body to another.

13 ~~(2) Recognizing that changes in the state government organizational structure may need
14 to be made as rapidly as possible to achieve greater economy, efficiency, and
15 improved administration as the needs of government dictate, the Governor, the
16 Kentucky Economic Development Partnership as created in KRS 154.10-010, and
17 other elected state executive officers may, between sessions of the General
18 Assembly, temporarily effect a change in the state government organizational
19 structure as described in subsection (1) of this section if such temporary
20 reorganization plan is first reviewed by the interim joint legislative committee with
21 appropriate jurisdiction. The Governor may not effect a temporary reorganization
22 plan under this subsection that would change the organizational structure of an
23 organizational unit or administrative body headed by the Kentucky Economic
24 Development Partnership as created in KRS 154.10-010, or another elected state
25 executive officer unless requested in writing by that officer. An elected state
26 executive officer other than the Governor may only change the organizational
27 structure of an organizational unit or administrative body that he heads.~~

- 1 ~~(3)~~ Any reorganization proposed under subsection (1)~~[-or-(2)]~~ of this section shall be
2 set forth in a reorganization plan which shall be filed with the Legislative Research
3 Commission. The plan shall include:
- 4 (a) An explanation of each proposed change, including the need for the change;
 - 5 (b) An estimate of any reduction or increase in expenditures, itemized as far as
6 practicable, which the promulgating officer expects will result from the
7 reorganization;
 - 8 (c) A description of any improvements in the management, delivery of state
9 services, and efficiency of state government operations which the
10 promulgating officer expects will be realized as a result of the reorganization;
11 and
 - 12 (d) Specification of the effects of the reorganization on the budget and personnel
13 of each affected organizational unit or administrative body, including but not
14 limited to the amount of funds and the number of employees that will be
15 transferred from one (1) organizational unit or administrative body to another,
16 any reductions in the state workforce resulting from the reorganization, and
17 the methods to be utilized to achieve such reductions.
- 18 ~~[(4) When a proposed reorganization plan is submitted for review under subsection (2)~~
19 ~~of this section the presiding co-chairman of the Legislative Research Commission~~
20 ~~shall determine which interim joint legislative committee has appropriate~~
21 ~~jurisdiction and shall refer the plan to such committee within ten (10) days after the~~
22 ~~director of the Legislative Research Commission receives the proposal. The interim~~
23 ~~joint legislative committee to which it is referred shall review the plan to determine~~
24 ~~whether the plan can reasonably be expected to achieve greater economy, efficiency~~
25 ~~or improved administration in state government. The committee shall report its~~
26 ~~findings to the Legislative Research Commission. The committee shall review and~~
27 ~~report on the plan within sixty (60) days after it is filed with the Legislative~~

1 ~~Research Commission. If the committee does not report on a proposed plan within~~
2 ~~the time specified in this subsection, the plan shall be considered reviewed by the~~
3 ~~interim joint legislative committee with appropriate jurisdiction.~~

4 ~~(5) A temporary reorganization effected under subsections (2) to (4) of this section~~
5 ~~shall be terminated ninety (90) days after sine die adjournment of the next regular~~
6 ~~session of the General Assembly unless otherwise specified by the General~~
7 ~~Assembly. The Governor, the Kentucky Economic Development Partnership as~~
8 ~~created in KRS 154.10-010, or other officer who promulgated a temporary~~
9 ~~reorganization plan under this section shall recommend legislation to the General~~
10 ~~Assembly to confirm the temporary reorganization plan. The subject matter of each~~
11 ~~executive order relating to reorganization shall be presented to the General~~
12 ~~Assembly in a separate bill. If the General Assembly fails to enact the temporary~~
13 ~~reorganization plan or an alternative to such plan, the organizational structure that~~
14 ~~existed immediately prior to the implementation of the temporary plan shall be~~
15 ~~reinstated upon the termination of the temporary plan. If the General Assembly fails~~
16 ~~to enact a temporary reorganization plan, the Governor, the Kentucky Economic~~
17 ~~Development Partnership as created in KRS 154.10-010, and other elected state~~
18 ~~executive officers shall not effect the plan prior to the next succeeding session of~~
19 ~~the General Assembly.]~~

20 (3)~~[(6)]~~ The Legislative Research Commission or the legislative program review and
21 investigations committee may monitor the implementation of any reorganization
22 plan to determine the extent to which the anticipated improvements in economy,
23 efficiency, or administration have been realized as a result of the reorganization and
24 shall report its findings to the General Assembly.

25 (4)~~[(7)]~~ Funds transferred due to reorganization shall be maintained in separately
26 designated accounts. Any excess funds resulting from a reorganization shall lapse to
27 the general fund surplus account.

1 ➔Section 2. The following KRS section is repealed:

2 12.027 Temporary reorganization orders.

3 ➔Section 3. Whereas, ensuring checks and balances on the executive branch of
4 government help ensure a balance of power within the three branches of government, an
5 emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by
6 the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming law.