

1 AN ACT relating to agriculture.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 247.130 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) The State Fair Board shall have the sole authority to employ or contract with a
5 president who shall not be one of their number. The president shall be the chief
6 executive officer for the board. The employment or contract of a president shall be
7 on the basis of training, ability, and experience. A president shall hold his *or her*
8 position during the pleasure of the board, but may be removed only by an
9 affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the board and upon thirty (30) days
10 written notice. A president shall be responsible for the administration of the policies
11 set by the board and shall devote his *or her* entire time and attention to the
12 performance of such duties and work as may be required of him *or her* by law or be
13 assigned to him *or her* by the board. The board shall determine the term, conditions,
14 and compensation of its president, provided such term does not exceed four (4)
15 years.

16 (2) The president shall have the authority to organize such administrative divisions as
17 may be necessary and may designate chiefs of such divisions who, under his *or her*
18 control and supervision, shall have the duties of direction of such divisions. The
19 president shall organize a Division for Personnel Management and Staff
20 Development which shall manage all personnel matters, including staff
21 development and training and programs for affirmative action. The director of this
22 division shall be appointed by the president, and said appointment shall be subject
23 to confirmation by the board. The president shall employ such other employees and
24 agents as he *or she* deems necessary for the carrying out of the policies of the board
25 and to conduct the affairs of the State Fair, and shall fix the duties and
26 compensation of any employees or agents with the approval of the board.

27 (3) The board shall have the sole authority to employ or contract with such other

1 persons, firms, or corporations as the board may deem necessary or desirable to
2 accomplish its duties and functions; shall fix the compensation and the terms of
3 employment or contract of those employed or contracted with; and may assign to
4 them such duties and responsibilities as the board may determine, including the
5 responsibility of actual operation of any or all of the facilities under the control of
6 the board.

7 (4) The president and any persons employed under this section shall not be subject to
8 the provisions of KRS Chapter 18A.