

1 AN ACT relating to transactions between the Legislative Research Commission and
2 the executive branch.

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

4 ➔Section 1. KRS 56.463 is amended to read as follows:

5 The cabinet shall have the power and duty:

- 6 (1) To determine the comparative needs and demands of the various state agencies for
7 acquiring real estate and for building projects;
- 8 (2) To purchase or otherwise acquire all real property determined to be needed for state
9 use and upon the approval of the secretary of the Finance and Administration
10 Cabinet as to the determination of need and as to the action of purchase or other
11 acquisition, except as provided in KRS Chapters 175, 176, 177, and 180. All such
12 acquisitions of real property or interests therein shall be made in accordance with
13 KRS 45A.045;
- 14 (3) To sell or otherwise dispose of all property, including any interest in real property,
15 of the state that is not needed or has become unsuitable for public use or would be
16 more suitable consistent with the public interest for some other use as determined
17 by the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet. All such sales or other
18 disposition shall be made in accordance with KRS 45A.045;
- 19 (4) (a) To control the use of any real property owned or otherwise held by the
20 Commonwealth, or any state agency, and to determine for what periods of
21 time and for what purposes any state agency may use the same, including the
22 agency for whose use it was initially acquired or improved, and to determine
23 what appropriate uses shall be made of such real property during periods that
24 the cabinet finds the same is not required for the purposes of any particular
25 state agency. The cabinet shall allocate to the General Assembly and the
26 Legislative Research Commission all~~the amount of~~ space within the New
27 State Capitol Annex~~[, currently assigned to the legislative branch]~~ in the

1 basement and on the first, second, third, and fourth floors [~~floor totaling~~
2 ~~forty nine thousand six hundred thirty eight (49,638) square feet;~~
3 ~~approximately twenty four thousand four hundred fifty two (24,452) square~~
4 ~~feet on the second floor from an imaginary line running north and south down~~
5 ~~the center of the center wing hallway of the building and all space to the east~~
6 ~~of this line~~], excluding:

7 1. Mechanical areas, public entrances, vestibules, and restrooms; and

8 2. The following additional space, as allocated on January 1, 2023:

9 a. Areas in the basement occupied by the Kentucky State Police and
10 Facilities Security;

11 b. Areas in the basement operated as the snack bar and cafeteria,
12 as well as storage areas related to the operation of the snack bar
13 and cafeteria;

14 c. The area in the basement operated as a nurse's station;

15 d. The area in the basement used as an automated teller machine
16 (ATM);

17 e. The office space in the basement occupied by the Secretary of
18 State;

19 f. Utility spaces in the basement west wing and east wing
20 northernmost hallways occupied by janitorial, maintenance, and
21 mechanical staff;

22 g. The loading dock in the rear of the annex basement, along with
23 the office space immediately adjacent to the loading dock on the
24 back wall of the annex, provided that the General Assembly and
25 the Legislative Research Commission shall be given access to
26 and use of the loading dock and the receiving areas adjacent to
27 the loading dock; and

1 *h. Office and studio space on the first floor currently occupied and*
 2 *used for broadcasting purposes by Kentucky Educational*
 3 *Television* [~~; approximately twenty three thousand nine hundred~~
 4 ~~forty (23,940) square feet on the third floor from an imaginary line~~
 5 ~~running north and south down the center of the center wing~~
 6 ~~hallway of the building and all space to the east of this line,~~
 7 ~~excluding mechanical areas, public entrances, and restrooms;~~
 8 ~~approximately twenty two thousand fifty six (22,056) square feet~~
 9 ~~on the fourth floor from an imaginary line running north and south~~
 10 ~~down the center of the center wing hallway of the building and all~~
 11 ~~space to the east of this line, excluding mechanical areas, public~~
 12 ~~entrances, and restrooms].~~

13 All space assigned to the legislative branch and plans, uses, furnishings, and
 14 equipment therefor are subject to the specific approval of the Legislative
 15 Research Commission;

16 (b) All additional space in the New State Capitol Annex, not specifically
 17 allocated for use by the General Assembly and the Legislative Research
 18 Commission in paragraph (a) of this subsection, shall be allocated for the use
 19 of the legislative branch, with occupancy by the legislative branch to be
 20 determined by the Legislative Research Commission, upon a [~~Until the~~
 21 ~~Legislative Research Commission, by]~~ vote of a majority of the [~~its~~] entire
 22 membership of the Legislative Research Commission [~~determines that the~~
 23 ~~legislative branch shall occupy all or part of such additional space in the~~
 24 ~~Capitol Annex, the cabinet shall continue to determine the occupancy of such~~
 25 ~~additional space];~~

26 (c) [~~Forty percent (40%) of the floor space provided by paragraph (a) of this~~
 27 ~~subsection for use by the legislative branch shall be assigned for the use of the~~

1 Senate. Sixty percent (60%) of the floor space provided by paragraph (a) of
2 this subsection for use by the legislative branch shall be assigned for the use
3 of the House of Representatives; and

4 ~~(d)~~ In order for the General Assembly and the Legislative Research
5 Commission to efficiently utilize the space provided by paragraphs (a) and
6 (b) of this subsection, the cabinet shall enter into a memorandum of
7 understanding with the Legislative Research Commission on or about
8 February 1, 2024, and as often as every two (2) years thereafter at the
9 request of the Legislative Research Commission, to establish tenancy terms,
10 including but not limited to building maintenance, repairs, renovations, and
11 upgrades; facility security; janitorial services; and applicable rental and
12 utilities rates. The Legislative Research Commission shall at any time, and
13 upon at least sixty (60) days' notice, be authorized to discontinue the
14 cabinet's provision of janitorial services for the New State Capitol Annex
15 and to enter into a separate contract for the provision of those services, with
16 the applicable rental and utilities rates to be proportionately reduced to
17 reflect that separate contract, provided that the Legislative Research
18 Commission may also at any time, and upon at least sixty (60) days' notice,
19 elect to have the cabinet continue or reinstate the provision of those
20 janitorial services at the cabinet's expense;

21 (d) For the purposes of this subsection, real property shall include the parking
22 areas adjacent to the New State Capitol and the New State Capitol Annex,
23 and the cabinet shall allocate to the General Assembly and the Legislative
24 Research Commission all parking spaces within the Capitol campus parking
25 garage, all parking spaces in the east, south, and west parking lots of the
26 New State Capitol Annex, and all parking spaces in the west parking lot of
27 the New State Capitol, except for those spaces in the west parking lot of the

1 *New State Capitol allocated, as of January 1, 2023, to the Supreme Court of*
2 *Kentucky, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of State. Any further*
3 *allocation of any parking spaces allocated pursuant to this paragraph shall*
4 *be within the sole discretion of the Legislative Research Commission or its*
5 *designee; and*

6 (e) To determine the housing and furnishings needs of the various state agencies
7 located in Frankfort and to establish and put into effect a permanent program
8 for housing them. Subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, the
9 cabinet is also authorized and directed to allocate office space and furnishings
10 in existing public buildings located in Frankfort, exclusive of the third and
11 fourth floors of the New State Capitol and the space in the New State Capitol
12 Annex allocated to the legislative branch, according to the needs of the
13 various agencies. When necessary, the cabinet is authorized to provide
14 additional office space and furnishings in Frankfort under any building
15 program the cabinet deems most advisable and economical for the state. The
16 permanent housing program shall include provisions for housing the General
17 Assembly and its related agencies, including the Legislative Research
18 Commission, and its subcommittees, the executive offices, the Supreme Court
19 and the clerk of the Supreme Court, the Department of Law and the law
20 library, in the New State Capitol, provided the General Assembly and the
21 Legislative Research Commission shall have complete control and exclusive
22 use of the third and fourth floors of the New State Capitol and shall have
23 exclusive use of the space in the New State Capitol Annex allocated to them
24 under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection. If there be any additional
25 space in the Capitol, it shall be assigned to agencies whose activities are most
26 closely related to the agencies directed to be located permanently in the
27 Capitol;

- 1 (5) To acquire, by condemnation in the manner provided in the Eminent Domain Act of
2 Kentucky, any real estate necessary for use by the state or by any state agency,
3 when the cabinet is unable to agree with the owner thereof on a price for such real
4 estate;
- 5 (6) To lease any real property, or any interest in such real property, owned by the state
6 or any agency thereof, in accordance with KRS 45A.045;
- 7 (7) To provide for and adopt plans and specifications as may be necessary, to provide
8 adequate public notice for and receive bids for any expenditures proposed to be
9 made, to award contracts for the purpose authorized, to supervise construction and
10 make changes and revisions in plans and specifications or in construction as may
11 become necessary, and generally to do any and all other things as may become
12 necessary or expedient in order to effectively fulfill and carry out the purposes of
13 this chapter, including the right to employ clerks, engineers, statisticians, architects,
14 or other persons required to be employed in order to fulfill the functions of the
15 Commonwealth relating to state property and buildings provided in KRS 56.450 to
16 56.550; and
- 17 (8) To adopt rules and promulgate administrative regulations as may be necessary to
18 govern the acquisition, control, and disposition of the real property to which this
19 section is applicable.