154.12-216 Business Information Clearinghouse Program -- Duties.

- (1) There is established in the Division of Small Business Services in the Department for Existing Business Development a Business Information Clearinghouse Program.
- (2) The clearinghouse shall develop and maintain a current list of all licenses arranged by the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) developed by the United States Department of Labor or similar classification system as may be developed by the clearinghouse.
- (3) The clearinghouse shall, to the extent possible, develop and distribute informational packets for each business classification. The informational packet for each business classification shall include applications, fee schedules, and informational bulletins for the licenses most commonly required of businesses within that classification.
- (4) The clearinghouse shall provide a toll-free telephone and referral service for the entire Commonwealth to aid new and continuing businesses with the licensing process.
- (5) The clearinghouse shall maintain current information on other agencies' programs that provide business financing and management assistance and shall serve as a referral service to those programs to the staff of the Regulatory Expediting Center as established in KRS 154.12-240.
- (6) The manager shall encourage federal and local governments to participate by submitting copies of application forms for licenses applicable to businesses in the Commonwealth.
- (7) Work teams may be assembled at the request of the issuing agency, the regulated industry, the Governor, or the General Assembly. The clearinghouse and issuing agency shall coordinate the activities of and provide staff assistance to any work teams. Members of the work teams shall serve without compensation.
- (8) The clearinghouse shall prepare an annual report summarizing its work for the Governor and the General Assembly. The report shall include a list of all licenses arranged by business classification and agency, the reports of any work teams, and may include recommendations on necessary statute or regulation changes to enable agencies to simplify or consolidate regulatory activities.

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