

**336.020 Departments of Workplace Standards and Workers' Claims -- Office of General Counsel.**

- (1) The Department of Workplace Standards shall be headed by a commissioner appointed by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.040 and shall be divided for administrative purposes into the Division of Apprenticeship, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health Compliance, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health Education and Training, and the Division of Wages, Hours, and Mediation. Each of these divisions shall be headed by a director appointed by the secretary and approved by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.050.
- (2) The Department of Workers' Claims shall be headed by a commissioner appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate in accordance with KRS 342.228. The department shall be divided for administrative purposes into the Office of Administrative Law Judges, the Division of Claims Processing, the Division of Information Services, the Division of Security and Compliance, the Division of Workers' Compensation Funds, and the Division of Ombudsman and Workers' Compensation Specialist Services. The Office of Administrative Law Judges shall be headed by a chief administrative law judge appointed in accordance with KRS 342.230. Each division in the department shall be headed by a director appointed by the secretary and approved by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.050. The Workers' Compensation Board shall be attached to the Department of Workers' Claims for administrative purposes only.
- (3) The Office of General Counsel for the Labor Cabinet and the Division of Management Services are attached to the Office of the Secretary of the Labor Cabinet.
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  - (a) The Office of General Counsel for the Labor Cabinet shall be headed by a general counsel appointed by the secretary with approval by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.050 and 12.210.
  - (b) The Office of General Counsel shall be divided for administrative purposes into the Workplace Standards Legal Division and the Workers' Claims Legal Division.
  - (c) Each legal division shall be headed by a general counsel appointed by the secretary with approval by the Governor in accordance with KRS 12.050 and 12.210.

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**Legislative Research Commission Note** (6/29/2017). This statute was amended

by 2017 Ky. Acts chs. 80, 82, 83, and 134, which do not appear to be in conflict and have been codified together.