

212.784 Jurisdiction and powers of board.

- (1) Independent district departments of health shall be governed by an independent district board of health which shall be a body politic and corporate. The board shall have jurisdiction throughout the counties, including within all municipalities of the counties with respect to and in accordance with the provisions of KRS 212.780 to 212.794. The board may, in its corporate name, sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, acquire real, personal, and mixed property by deed, purchase, gift, devise, lease, or otherwise, and mortgage, pledge, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of same. The board may make appropriate rules and regulations and do all things reasonable or necessary in order to carry out the work and to properly perform the duties intended as required under the provisions of KRS 212.780 to 212.794, except that the board shall not adopt, unless otherwise provided by law, rules and regulations in conflict with state laws or administrative regulations. The title to all property acquired for purposes of KRS 212.780 to 212.794 whether real, personal, and mixed, or whether acquired by deed, gift, purchase, devise, or otherwise, shall vest in the board and shall be exempt from taxation. When and after the board and department established under the provisions of KRS 212.782 are organized, and except as otherwise provided herein, the board and department shall succeed to and be vested with all of the functions, obligations, powers, duties, immunities, and privileges now being exercised by the district board of health and district department of health, and thereupon the district board of health and district department of health shall cease to exist and all laws and amendments to any such laws, relating to and governing the district board of health and district department of health, in conflict with the provisions of KRS 212.780 to 212.794 shall, to the extent of such conflict, stand and be repealed.
- (2) When an independent district board of health is created pursuant to KRS 212.782, all powers and duties of the previous district board of health and local boards of health, except as otherwise provided in KRS 212.780 to 212.794, are transferred to the newly created independent district board of health and independent district department of health. Independent district boards of health and independent district departments of health established under KRS 212.782 shall succeed to and be vested with all the functions, powers, obligations, duties, immunities, and privileges exercised by a district health department and local board of health.

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