

**171.580 Historical records.**

The department, whenever it appears to be in the public interest, is authorized:

- (1) To accept for deposit in the State Archives and Records Center the records of any state or local agency or of the General Assembly that are determined by the department to have sufficient historical or other value to warrant their continued preservation;
- (2) To direct and effect the transfer to the department of any records that have been in existence for more than fifty (50) years and that are determined by the department to have sufficient historical or other value to warrant their continued preservation, unless the head of the state or local agency which has custody of them certifies in writing to the department that they must be retained in his custody for use in the conduct of the regular current business of the said agency;
- (3) To direct and effect, with the approval of the head of the originating agency, or its successor, if any, the transfer of records deposited, or approved for deposit, in the State Archives and Records Center to public or educational institutions for special research or exhibit purposes; provided that title to such records shall remain vested in the Commonwealth of Kentucky unless otherwise authorized by law, and provided further such records may be recalled after reasonable notice in writing;
- (4) To direct and effect the transfer of materials from private sources authorized to be received by the State Archives and Records Center by the provisions of KRS 171.620.

**History:** Amended 1970 Ky. Acts ch. 92, sec. 45. -- Created 1958 Ky. Acts ch. 49, sec. 18.