

**84A.1 Department of workforce development — director — divisions.**

1. The department of workforce development is created to administer the laws of this state relating to unemployment compensation insurance, job placement and training, employment safety, labor standards, and workers' compensation.

2. The chief executive officer of the department of workforce development is the director who shall be appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate under the confirmation procedures of [section 2.32](#).

a. The director of the department of workforce development shall serve at the pleasure of the governor.

b. The governor shall set the salary of the director within the applicable salary range established by the general assembly.

c. The director shall be selected solely on the ability to administer the duties and functions granted to the director and the department and shall devote full time to the duties of the director.

d. If the office of director becomes vacant, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made.

3. a. The director of the department of workforce development shall, subject to the requirements of [section 84A.1B](#), prepare, administer, and control the budget of the department and its divisions and shall approve the employment of all personnel of the department and its divisions.

b. The director of the department of workforce development shall direct the administrative and compliance functions and control the docket of the division of workers' compensation.

4. The department of workforce development shall include the division of labor services, the division of workers' compensation, and other divisions as appropriate.

[86 Acts, ch 1245, §901; 87 Acts, ch 234, §424; 90 Acts, ch 1261, §25; 96 Acts, ch 1186, §8; 98 Acts, ch 1061, §1; 2002 Acts, ch 1050, §9; 2008 Acts, ch 1032, §168](#)

Referred to in [§7E.5, 88.2, 88A.1, 88B.1, 89A.1, 89B.3, 91.1, 96.19](#)