

**455A.7 Creation of divisions, bureaus, and other administrative entities — deputy director — administrators.**

1. The director may establish administrative divisions, bureaus, or other administrative entities within the department in order to most efficiently and effectively carry out the department's responsibilities. The creation or modification of departmental divisions, bureaus, or other administrative entities shall be implemented only after consultation with the natural resource commission or the environmental protection commission as applicable.

2. The director shall appoint a deputy director who shall be in charge of the department in the absence of the director. The appointment shall be based on the appointee's training, experience, and capabilities.

3. The director shall appoint an administrator for each division created under [subsection 1](#). The director shall make the appointment based on the appointee's training, experience, and capabilities. Each administrator has the responsibility of administering the programs assigned the division under [subsection 1](#) and other programs assigned by the director. Each administrator shall carry out the duties and responsibilities of office under the general direction and supervision of the director.

[86 Acts, ch 1245, §1807; 91 Acts, ch 268, §233; 92 Acts, ch 1239, §21, 44, 45; 2000 Acts, ch 1160, §1; 2001 Acts, ch 7, §3; 2002 Acts, ch 1162, §42](#)