

74-5047. Division of trade development, establishment, administration and purpose; director of trade development, appointment, authority and compensation. There is hereby established within and as a part of the department of commerce a division of trade development, the head of which shall be the director of trade development. The purpose of the division of trade development shall be to increase sales of Kansas products, processes and services worldwide, especially innovative value-added goods and services which diversify the Kansas economy, thereby creating quality jobs, bringing new dollars, income and wealth into the state, and enhancing the growth, diversification and expansion of the state's economic base. In defining this purpose, the department and state government shall recognize that new quality jobs, income and wealth within the state are primarily created by the export of broadly diversified, innovative, value-added goods and services outside the state to the nation and world, and that Kansas must be seen as speaking with one voice in international markets. Under the supervision of the secretary of commerce, the director of trade development shall administer the division of trade development. The secretary of commerce shall appoint the director of trade development and the director shall serve at the pleasure of the secretary. The director of trade development shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act and shall receive an annual salary fixed by the secretary of commerce and approved by the governor.

History: L. 1986, ch. 296, § 17; Jan. 12, 1987.