



Colorado Office of Lt. Governor Statutory Duties

As of October 20, 2016

Summary

The Colorado lieutenant governor has six (6) statutory duties or empowerments. These include chairing Indian affairs and advising on early childhood policy.

Citations

Statutory duties of the Lieutenant Governor as prescribed by Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS):

1. Specifically empowers the lieutenant governor to concurrently serve as head of a principal department or as the state chief operating officer. (CRS 24-1-108) (*The provision regarding 'chief operating officer' expires in January of 2019*).
2. "In the event the governor is not available," the state chief information security officer shall give notice to the lieutenant governor of a discontinuance or suspension of a public agency's communication and information resources due to a security incident. (CRS 24-37.5-405)
3. The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs is established in the office of lieutenant governor. (CRS 24-44-102)
4. Serves as Chair of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. (CRS 24-44-104)
5. 'In the absence or inability of the governor,' the lieutenant governor is authorized to execute deed or conveyance transferring any lands ordered sold or disposed of by the state board of land commissioners. (CRS 36-1-104).
6. There is created in the office of the lieutenant governor the Colorado Student Leaders Institute (24-44.3-103).

Per gubernatorial appointment, as of September of 2016, the lieutenant governor is also Chief Operating Officer of the State.

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