

Cooperative Purchasing

Kentucky

KY. REV. STAT. ANN. §45A.295 Definitions for terms used in KRS 45A.295 to 45A.320

As used in KRS 45A.295 to 45A.320:

- (1) "State public purchasing unit" shall mean the Finance and Administration Cabinet and any other purchasing agency of this Commonwealth.
- (2) "Local public purchasing unit" shall mean any county, city, governmental entity and other subdivision of the Commonwealth or public agency thereof, public authority, public educational, health, or other institution, any other entity which expends public funds for the acquisition or leasing of supplies, services, and construction, and any nonprofit corporation operating a charitable hospital.
- (3) "Public purchasing unit" shall mean either a local public purchasing unit or a state public purchasing unit.
- (4) "Foreign purchasing activity" shall mean any buying organization not located in this Commonwealth which, if located in this Commonwealth, would qualify as a public purchasing unit. An agency of the United States government is a foreign purchasing activity.
- (5) "Cooperative purchasing" shall mean purchasing conducted by, or on behalf of, more than one (1) public purchasing unit, or by a public purchasing unit with a foreign purchasing activity.

KY. REV. STAT. ANN. §45A.300 Cooperative purchasing.

- (1) Any public purchasing unit may either participate in, sponsor, conduct, or administer a cooperative purchasing agreement for the acquisition of any supplies, services, or construction with any other public purchasing unit or foreign purchasing activity, in accordance with an agreement entered into between the participants. This cooperative purchasing may include, but is not limited to, joint contracts between public purchasing units and access by local public purchasing units to open-ended state public purchasing unit contracts.

Link to full statute: www.lrc.ky.gov/KRS/045A00/300.PDF