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NASHVILLE-Commissioner Michael E. Magill today named Mark Reineke as Deputy Commissioner for the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Reineke currently serves as General Counsel for the Department and will succeed Walter Butler, who was named Commissioner of the Department of Personnel today.

“I sincerely appreciate Walter Butler’s service and dedication to this Department, and we will miss him greatly,” Magill said. “I am pleased, however, that Mark has accepted this new responsibility. With Mark’s expertise and experience with this Department, I have the utmost confidence that he will represent the state and our Department well.”

Reineke joined state government in 1997 and has served as a staff attorney for both the departments of Labor and Commerce and Insurance. He was appointed General Counsel of the Department of Labor in January 1999.

Prior to state government, Reineke was in private practice focusing on labor and employment law issues. He has also served as staff assistant to U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky.

Reineke, 36, holds a degree in economics from the University of the South and a J.D. from the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University.

“I appreciate the confidence both Governor Sundquist and Commissioner Magill have shown in me,” Reineke said. “I am excited about this new opportunity and look forward to the challenges ahead.”

Reineke is married with two children.

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