

(IV) IF THE PERSON WAS A LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER, THE FIREARMS DEALER'S LICENSE NUMBER AND ADDRESS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

Approved April 24, 1990.

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CHAPTER 158

(House Bill 367)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Personnel – Disciplinary Suspensions**

FOR the purpose of altering the party responsible for hearing certain suspension appeals filed by certain employees; and generally relating to disciplinary suspensions of Department of Personnel employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 64A – Merit System

Section 36

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 64A – Merit System**

36.

The appointing authority may for disciplinary purposes suspend an employee. Every such suspension shall be without pay; provided, however, that any employee who is suspended by the appointing authority may appeal [his] THE suspension to the Secretary of Personnel, and in case of [the Secretary's] disapproval [he] THE SECRETARY shall have power to restore pay to the suspended employee. The Secretary of Personnel shall render [his] A decision within 45 days after a hearing is held before [him] THE SECRETARY or [his] THE SECRETARY'S authorized representative or within 45 days after all legal memoranda or briefs have been filed. With respect to [his] THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL employees, the Secretary shall be deemed the appointing authority and the [Governor] OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS shall [act in the place and stead of the Secretary] RENDER THE FINAL DECISION IN ALL SUSPENSION APPEALS FILED BY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYEES for the purpose of this section.