

8-201. WATER RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION.

(A) CREATED AND CONTINUED; WITHIN DEPARTMENT.

THE WATER RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION IS CREATED AND CONTINUED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.

(E) DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION; APPOINTMENT, QUALIFICATIONS, AND COMPENSATION.—THE SECRETARY APPOINTS THE DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATION, WHO SERVES AT HIS PLEASURE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL HAVE EXECUTIVE ABILITY, EXPERIENCE, AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE PRINCIPLES OF WATER RESOURCE PLANNING, MANAGEMENT, CONSERVATION, AND ADMINISTRATION. THE DIRECTOR RECEIVES THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(C) AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR.—THE DIRECTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXERCISE OF EVERY POWER AND DUTY CONFERRED ON THE DEPARTMENT BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE AND DELEGATED TO HIM BY THE SECRETARY.

(D) STAFF OF ADMINISTRATION.—THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE ADEQUATELY STAFFED AND ORGANIZED TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE AND AT SALARIES PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET. THE DIRECTOR APPOINTS AND REMOVES THE ADMINISTRATION'S STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT SYSTEM LAW, AND SUBJECT TO THE SECRETARY'S AUTHORITY AS PROVIDED IN TITLE 1 OF THIS ARTICLE. WHEN THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT SYSTEM PROVIDE FOR DISCIPLINARY OR DISMISSAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST EMPLOYEES TO BE BROUGHT BY THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY, THE DIRECTOR IS THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY, UNLESS THE SECRETARY DETERMINES BY WRITTEN DIRECTIVE THAT HE IS THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY. THE DIRECTOR SUPERVISES AND CONTROLS THE STAFF WHO PERFORM DUTIES HE PRESCRIBES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 96A, section 3 of the Code, as amended by Chapter 348, Acts of 1972.

Subsection (a) is new language, repetitive of section 1-102 of this Article, restated here for the convenience of the Code user interested only in the subject matter of Title 8.

Subsections (b) through (d) are a reorganization of present provisions for purposes of clarity. The only other