

MARYLAND, That Section 10 of Article 64A - Merit System, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 64A - Merit System

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The Secretary of Personnel may appoint his employees and may incur expenses for office rent, printing, advertising, stationery, salaries of employees and other expenses incidental to the administration of this article, within the limits of the amounts appropriated therefor by the General Assembly in the budget bill.

The employees of the Secretary of Personnel, except as provided in Article 41 of this Code or otherwise provided by law, shall be included in the classified service.

The Secretary of Personnel shall make an annual report on or before January 1st in each year to the Governor AND BY JANUARY 15 OF EACH YEAR TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY concerning his work and proceedings AND INCLUDING STATISTICS AND RANKING OF THIS DATA AS TO MINORITY GROUP EMPLOYEES COMPARED TO ALL EMPLOYEES IN ALL JOB CATEGORIES and shall include therein any recommendations he deems advisable in regard to conditions in service of the state—classified and unclassified. All rules of the Secretary of Personnel shall be open to public inspection at the office of the Secretary.

Wherever in this article the words "Commissioner" or "Secretary" appear, they shall be deemed to mean and shall refer to the Secretary of Personnel; and wherever in this Code the words "State Employment Commissioner" or "Commissioner of State Employment and Registration" appear, they shall be deemed to mean and shall refer to the Secretary of Personnel.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved April 8, 1975.