SUBTITLE OR OTHERWISE VIOLATES THIS SUBTITLE, THE PARTY SHALL PETITION THE LABOR RELATIONS ADMINISTRATOR FOR A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THE BARGAINING PROPOSAL IS A NEGOTIABILITY DISPUTE THAT CONTRAVENES THIS SUBTITLE.

- (B) PROCEDURE FOR RESOLVING DISPUTE.
- (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PROCEDURE FOR RESOLVING A NEGOTIABILITY DISPUTE SHALL FOLLOW THE PROCEDURE FOR REVIEWING UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICE CHARGES.
- (2) THE LABOR RELATIONS ADMINISTRATOR MAY SHORTEN THE TIME PERIODS OR ORDER ANY EXPEDITED PROCEDURE APPROPRIATE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
 - (C) ADMINISTRATOR MAY ORDER WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL.

THE LABOR RELATIONS ADMINISTRATOR MAY ORDER A PARTY TO WITHDRAW ALL OR PART OF A BARGAINING PROPOSAL THAT CONTRAVENES THIS SUBTITLE.

(D) DECISION AND ORDER ARE FINAL.

A DECISION AND ORDER UNDER THIS SECTION IS FINAL UNLESS IT IS APPEALED FOR BEING ARBITRARY, CAPRICIOUS, OR EXCEEDING THE AUTHORITY OF A PARTY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 44A, § 2–106(k).

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to the rights and duties of the Montgomery Commission under "§ 16-314" of this subtitle is substituted for the former reference to "subsection(s)" – now revised at § 16-316 of this subtitle – for accuracy.

The Housing and Community Development Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that subsection (d) of this section indicates that a decision and order may be appealed for being arbitrary, capricious, or exceeding the authority of a party, but does not identify the body to which an appeal may be taken.

Defined term: "Montgomery Commission" § 16–101 16–310. MEDIATION — ARBITRATION.

(A) APPOINTMENT OF MEDIATOR-ARBITRATOR.

(1) IF THE PARTIES HAVE NOT REACHED AN AGREEMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 ON A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT THAT WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE THE FOLLOWING JULY 1, THE PARTIES SHALL JOINTLY APPOINT A MEDIATOR-ARBITRATOR.