

It is set forth as a separate section for emphasis.

Defined term: "Department" § 2-1201

2-1213. LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR.

(A) POSITION AND APPOINTMENT.

THE HEAD OF THE DIVISION OF AUDITS IS THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR, WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

(B) TENURE.

(1) FOR 1 YEAR AFTER APPOINTMENT, THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR IS IN A PROBATIONARY STATUS AND MAY BE DISMISSED BY THE DIRECTOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

(2) AFTER THE 1-YEAR PERIOD, THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR SERVES WITHOUT A FIXED TERM AND MAY BE REMOVED AS PROVIDED IN § 2-1207(G) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(C) QUALIFICATIONS.

THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR MUST:

(1) BE LICENSED AS A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT IN THE STATE;

(2) AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT, HAVE AT LEAST 3 YEARS' ACCOUNTING EXPERIENCE; AND

(3) WHILE IN OFFICE, BE COVERED BY A SURETY BOND IN THE FORM AND AMOUNT REQUIRED BY LAW.

(D) SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY.

SUBJECT TO THE POLICIES AND DIRECTIVES OF THE DIRECTOR AND THE JOINT BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR HAS GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF THE OPERATION OF THE DIVISION OF AUDITS.

(E) FULL-TIME DUTIES.

THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR SHALL DEVOTE FULL TIME TO THE DUTIES OF OFFICE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40, § 61A(b), the first sentence of § 59(f), and, as they related to the Legislative Auditor, § 59(b) and the first through third sentences of (c).

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the phrase "may be removed ..." is added as a general reference to the removal provisions.