

General Revisor's Note to Title 8, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.

Defined terms: "Department" § 5-101
"Secretary" § 5-101

5-203. DEPUTY SECRETARY, CONSULTANTS, AND OTHER STAFF.

(A) DEPUTY SECRETARY.

(1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT A DEPUTY SECRETARY.

(2) THE DEPUTY SECRETARY:

(I) SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY;

(II) IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET; AND

(III) HAS THE DUTIES PROVIDED BY LAW OR DELEGATED BY THE SECRETARY.

(B) GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF STAFF.

(1) THE SECRETARY MAY EMPLOY A STAFF ATTACHED TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.

(2) EACH STAFF ASSISTANT IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY, AND EACH PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT, IS APPOINTED BY AND SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY.

(3) UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT AND REMOVE ALL OTHER STAFF IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE MERIT SYSTEM LAW.

(4) THE SECRETARY MAY REVIEW ANY PERSONNEL ACTION TAKEN BY ANY UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsections (a) through (b)(3) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from the fifth and sixth sentences and -- as it related to additional personnel -- the fourth sentence of former Art. 41, § 226(b) and the third and fourth sentences of (c).

Subsection (b)(4) of this section is new language that repeats the provisions of the second clause of the ninth sentence of present Art. 41, § 3A(a). As to the repetition of these provisions here, as a power of the Secretary of State Planning, see revisor's note to § 5-202 of this subtitle. See also the General Revisor's Note to Title 8, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.