certain assistance given by State and local units and personnel to the Secretary of Personnel; revising the laws relating to the delegation by the Secretary of Personnel of authority to conduct hearings, issue final or proposed decisions, approve proposed decisions, or take other actions in or with respect to certain proceedings; revising the laws relating to certain political activities of State and local employees; revising the laws relating to the protections and remedies afforded certain employees who disclose certain information; revising the laws relating to the Equal Employment Opportunity Program; revising the laws relating to certain actions against certain applicants for State employment based on medical reasons and certain protections afforded certain employees who are on sick leave or maternity leave; revising the laws relating to the classified service of the State, including the laws relating to eligibility and examinations for appointment, certification and appointment procedures, probation, employee performance standards, employee transfers; revising the laws relating to employees of certain State acquired entities; revising the laws relating to part-time employment; revising the laws relating to employee compensation, including those relating to the Executive Pay Plan and the Standard Pay Plan, shift differential pay and hazardous duty pay, overtime compensation, and the Central Payroll Bureau; revising the laws relating to leave time and holidays, including holiday leave, annual leave, personal leave, sick leave, work-related accident leave, leave for religious observances, compensatory leave, family and seasonal leave, and other paid or unpaid leaves; revising the laws relating to certain employee benefits, including those relating to the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program, the Innovative Idea Program, the Incentive Performance Awards Program, and other programs and benefits; revising the laws relating to certain separations from employment, including rejections during probation, removals for cause after probation, suspensions pending disposition, layoffs, and resignations; revising the laws relating to grievance procedures afforded to certain employees; revising the laws relating to the reinstatement of certain employees into certain positions, including the reinstatement of veterans; revising the laws relating to certain short-term employees, including emergency and temporary extra employees; revising the laws relating to contractual employees; revising the laws relating to certain service contracts; revising the laws that prohibit certain acts, authorize certain methods of enforcement, and specify certain penalties for noncompliance; correcting cross-references; amending certain definitions; defining certain terms; repealing certain inconsistent and obsolete laws; providing for the effect of the Revisor's Notes contained in this Act; providing for the continuity of certain terms of office; providing for the effect of this Act on the status of certain employees, officials, and positions; providing for the effect of this Act on any change in nomenclature; amending and transferring to other articles certain miscellaneous provisions, including ones relating to the status of certain employees in the State Personnel Management System, the classified service, and the unclassified service; transferring certain provisions to the Session Laws; providing for the effect, construction, and effective date of the provisions of this Act; and generally relating to State personnel.

## BY repealing

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