THE REMEDIES PROVIDED BY THIS SUBTITLE ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES PROVIDED BY TITLE 10 OF THIS ARTICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A, § 12F(b), § 12G(a)(2) and (3), and § 12K(1).

Defined term: "Secretary" § 1-101

3-303. REGULATIONS.

THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR PROCESSING AND RESOLVING COMPLAINTS BROUGHT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A, § 12H(a).

The former reference to "procedures" is deleted as included in "regulations".

As to the general authority of the Secretary to adopt regulations, see § 2–106 of this article.

Defined term: "Secretary" § 1-101

3-304. REPRISAL PROHIBITED.

(A) IN GENERAL.

SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY NOT TAKE OR REFUSE TO TAKE ANY PERSONNEL ACTION AS A REPRISAL AGAINST AN APPLICANT OR EMPLOYEE WHO:

- (1) DISCLOSES INFORMATION THAT THE APPLICANT OR EMPLOYEE REASONABLY BELIEVES EVIDENCES:
- (I) AN ABUSE OF AUTHORITY, GROSS MISMANAGEMENT, OR GROSS WASTE OF MONEY;
- (II) A SUBSTANTIAL AND SPECIFIC DANGER TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY; OR
 - (III) A VIOLATION OF LAW; OR
 - (2) SEEKS A REMEDY PROVIDED BY THIS SUBTITLE.
 - (B) DISCLOSURES PROHIBITED BY LAW.

SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION APPLIES TO A DISCLOSURE THAT IS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED BY LAW ONLY IF THAT DISCLOSURE IS MADE EXCLUSIVELY TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AS PROVIDED IN § 3-310 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A, § 12G(a)(1) and (b).

Defined term: "Appointing authority" § 1-101