Subsections (b) through (e) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A,  $\S 27(a)(1)(iv)1$  through 3 and  $\S 27(a)(1)(v)$ .

In subsection (b) of this section, the reference to "increas[ing] pay rates" is added for clarity in accordance with 77 Op. Att'y Gen. \_\_\_\_\_ (1992) [Opinion No. 92–012 (May 7, 1992)], which reconciled the inconsistencies between former Art. 64A, §§ 27 and 30.

Defined terms: "Class" § 1-101

"Position" § 1-101

"Secretary" § 1-101

6-106. AUTOMATIC PAY INCREASES IN STANDARD PAY-PLAN.

(A) SCOPE OF SECTION.

THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO THE STANDARD PAY PLAN.

- (B) IN GENERAL.
- (1) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL PROVIDE FOR AUTOMATIC INCREASES, FROM MINIMUM TO MAXIMUM, OF THE PAY RATES SET BY THE STANDARD PAY PLAN.
- (2) IF THE SECRETARY CONSIDERS IT INADVISABLE TO PROVIDE AUTOMATIC PAY INCREASES FOR SPECIAL CASES OR CLASSES, THE SECRETARY MAY ESTABLISH FLAT PAY RATES FOR THOSE CASES OR CLASSES FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section is new language added to clarify the scope of this section.

Subsection (b) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A, § 30(a)(1), as it related to pay increases.

Defined terms: "Class" § 1-101 "Secretary" § 1-101

6-107. DENIAL OF AUTOMATIC PAY INCREASES IN STANDARD PAY PLAN.

(A) SCOPE OF SECTION.

THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO EMPLOYEES WHOSE POSITIONS ARE IN THE STANDARD PAY PLAN.

(B) IN GENERAL.

SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, BUT NOT OTHERWISE, AN EMPLOYEE IN THE STANDARD PAY PLAN SHALL BE DENIED AN AUTOMATIC PAY INCREASE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

(C) REASONS FOR DENIAL.