(IV) NEED TO BE IMPLEMENTED QUICKLY AND FOR WHICH THERE IS NO REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE.

(B) PERIOD OF CERTIFICATION.

THE SECRETARY MAY ISSUE A CERTIFICATION FOR ANY EFFECTIVE PERIOD THAT DOES NOT EXCEED THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE UNIT AND THE CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 64A, § 15A(b)(1) and (d).

In subsection (a) of this section, the introductory qualification and cross-reference are added for clarity.

Defined terms: "Classified service" § 1-101

"Contractual employee" § 1–101

"Position" § 1-101

"Secretary" § 1-101

"Unclassified service" § 1-101

## 12-203. RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT GUIDELINES FOR THE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES.

(B) GUIDELINE REQUIREMENTS.

THESE GUIDELINES SHALL REQUIRE A CONTRACTING UNIT:

- (1) TO MAKE A REASONABLE EFFORT TO PUBLICLY SOLICIT APPLICANTS FOR CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYMENT;
- (2) TO MAKE A REASONABLE EFFORT TO SCREEN AND SELECT CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES BY USING METHODS AND CRITERIA THAT ARE UNIFORMLY APPLIED TO ALL APPLICANTS FOR A PARTICULAR INSTANCE OF CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYMENT; AND
  - (3) TO USE CRITERIA TO SELECT CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES THAT:
    - (I) ARE BASED ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT; AND
    - (II) CONFORM TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.
  - (C) DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED.
- (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH CONTRACTING UNIT SHALL SELECT CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES WITHOUT REGARD TO:
  - (I) AGE;
  - (II) ANCESTRY;