

(2) This subsection does not prohibit the establishment of an office by a political subdivision to maintain liaison between the subdivision and the General Assembly.

[2-1403.] 2-103. Permanent part-time legislative employees.

(a) In this section, "permanent part-time legislative employee" means an individual who, for at least 130 days a year, is employed by the General Assembly.

(b) A permanent part-time legislative employee shall receive employment rights, privileges, and benefits that:

(1) equal at least 50% of the employment rights, privileges, and benefits of a permanent full-time employee of the Department of [Fiscal Services or Department of Legislative Reference] LEGISLATIVE SERVICES; and

(2) for an individual who is employed for at least 50% of a full workweek, are prorated in proportion to the number of hours worked.

(c) For auditing purposes, permanent time records shall be kept for each permanent part-time legislative employee.

(d) The President and the Speaker shall administer this section.

[2-14A-01.] 2-104. Employees of General Assembly, Department of Legislative Services; transfer.

(a) (1) All full-time permanent employees of the General Assembly of Maryland[, the Department of Legislative Reference, and the Department of Fiscal Services] AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES shall be considered as full-time permanent State employees for the purposes of transferring to a position in the Executive or Judicial Branch of State government.

(2) These employees shall receive credit for service with the General Assembly for the purposes of transferring accumulated sick and vacation leave, service credit in the Employees' Retirement System, and all other benefits.

(3) These employees shall be granted the same salary consideration that would be provided to an employee transferring within the Executive or Judicial Branch.

(b) On the transfer of a General Assembly [employee, an] EMPLOYEE OR AN employee of the [Department of Legislative Reference, or an employee of the Department of Fiscal Services] DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES to a position in the Executive Branch, the Secretary of Budget and Management may request that the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Delegates or their representative certify as to the full-time permanent status of that employee. The certification shall be satisfactory evidence for the purposes of subsection (a) of this section.

(c) If any employee of the General Assembly transferred to a position in the Executive or Judicial Branch on or after July 1, 1977, and suffered any loss of compensation or benefits solely as a result of the employee's prior service with the General Assembly not being recognized as full-time permanent service, the employee's