

2-1216. SAME - OTHER FUNCTIONS.

THE OFFICE SHALL:

(1) DIRECTLY SUPERVISE SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT ARE NOT ASSIGNED TO ONE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S OTHER OFFICES; AND

(2) PERFORM ANY OTHER FUNCTION REQUIRED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER, OR THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE.

Part [III.] IV. Office of Legislative Audits.

[2-1212.] 2-1217. Office of Legislative Audits established.

There is an Office of Legislative Audits in the Department.

[2-1213.] 2-1218. Legislative Auditor.

(a) The head of the Office of Legislative Audits is the Legislative Auditor, who shall be appointed by the EXECUTIVE Director [with], SUBJECT TO the approval of the President and the Speaker.

[(b) (1) For 1 year after appointment and, if the Director extends the probationary period, for 1 additional 6-month period, the Legislative Auditor is in a probationary status and may be dismissed by the Director with the approval of the President and the Speaker.

(2) After the probationary period, the Legislative Auditor serves without a fixed term and, with the approval of the President and the Speaker, may be removed as provided in § 2-1207(g) of this subtitle.]

[(c)](B) The Legislative Auditor must:

- (1) be licensed as a certified public accountant in the State;
- (2) at the time of appointment, have at least 3 years' ~~accounting~~ AUDITING experience; and
- (3) while in office, be covered by a surety bond in the form and amount required by law.

(C) THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR SERVES WITHOUT A FIXED TERM AND MAY BE REMOVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

(D) THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

[(d)](E) Subject to the policies and directives of the [Director and] PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER, the Joint [Budget and] Audit Committee, AND THE OVERALL SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, the Legislative Auditor has general administrative control of the operation of the Office of Legislative Audits.