$\underline{\rm (III)}$ $\,$ The skilled service who are employed as accountants, auditors, and engineers.

- (F) (1) AT LEAST 45 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CHANGE, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT EACH CHANGE TO SALARY PLANS THAT INVOLVES INCREASES OR DECREASES IN SALARY RANGES OTHER THAN THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH ROUTINE RECLASSIFICATIONS AND PROMOTIONS OR GENERAL SALARY INCREASES APPROVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
- (2) REPORTABLE CHANGES INCLUDE CREATION OR ABOLITION OF CLASSES, REGRADING THE CLASSES FROM ONE ESTABLISHED RANGE TO ANOTHER, OR CREATION OF NEW PAY SCHEDULES OR RANGES.
 - (3) THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SHALL:
 - (I) REVIEW THE PROPOSED CHANGES; AND
- (II) AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES, ADVISE THE COMMISSION WHETHER THE CHANGES WOULD HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON COMPARABLE STATE JOBS.
- (4) FAILURE OF THE SECRETARY TO RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER IS NOT CONSIDERED A STATEMENT OF ADVERSE EFFECT.
- (G) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SETTING FORTH ALL PERSONNEL POSITIONS, CLASSIFICATIONS, AND SALARIES IN THE COMMISSION AS OF THE END OF THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.

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- (a) (1) (i) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, the costs and expenses of the Commission AND THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL shall be borne by the public service companies that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- (ii) The costs and expenses shall be assessed as provided in this section.
- (2) (1) An appropriation for the costs and expenses of the [Commission] OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL shall be included in the State budget and paid from the State treasury.
- [(3)] (II) The State treasury shall be reimbursed [from the money collected under this section] UNDER SUBSECTION (D)(2)(I) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL.
- (3) THE COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION, OTHER THAN THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL, SHALL BE PAID FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FUND.