

to clarify who makes appointments to the Department and to restate this provision in the active voice.

Also in subsection (a)(2) of this section, the reference to eligible "candidates" is substituted for the former reference to eligible "persons" to conform to language used in the State Personnel and Pensions Article. *See, e.g.*, SP § 7-203.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the former reference to a "bona fide" resident of the State is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the former specific reference to "§ 15" of former Article 88B is deleted as unnecessary in light of the general reference to "this title". Former Art. 88B, § 15, as it related to establishing qualifications for employees of the Department, is revised in § 2-204(b) of this title.

Defined terms: "Department" § 2-101  
"Secretary" § 2-101

#### 2-403. PROBATION AFTER APPOINTMENT.

##### (A) POLICE EMPLOYEES.

EACH POLICE EMPLOYEE, INCLUDING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS APPOINTED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR TRAINING BEFORE REGULAR ASSIGNMENT AS A POLICE EMPLOYEE, SHALL REMAIN IN PROBATIONARY STATUS FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF APPOINTMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT.

##### (B) CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.

EACH CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SHALL REMAIN IN PROBATIONARY STATUS FOR THE PERIOD REQUIRED UNDER TITLE 7, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE STATE PERSONNEL AND PENSIONS ARTICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first and second sentences of former Art. 88B, § 18.

Defined terms: "Civilian employee" § 2-101  
"Department" § 2-101  
"Police employee" § 2-101

#### 2-404. PROMOTIONS.

##### (A) "OBSOLETE RANK" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "OBSOLETE RANK" MEANS A RANK DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY TO WHICH NO FURTHER PROMOTIONS WILL BE MADE.

##### (B) SECRETARY TO MAKE PROMOTIONS.

THE SECRETARY SHALL MAKE ALL PROMOTIONS.

##### (C) POLICE EMPLOYEES — IN GENERAL.