

WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT THREE DEPUTY SECRETARIES.

(B) TERM AND COMPENSATION.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARIES:

(1) SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY; AND

(2) ARE ENTITLED TO THE COMPENSATION PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(C) DUTIES.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARIES HAVE THE DUTIES DELEGATED BY THE SECRETARY.

(D) ACTING SECRETARY.

THE SECRETARY SHALL DESIGNATE A DEPUTY SECRETARY TO BE THE ACTING SECRETARY WHEN THE SECRETARY IS ABSENT FROM THE STATE OR OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 6-103(a).

Defined term: "Secretary" § 2-101

2-205. STAFF — SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

(A) IN GENERAL.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET, THE SECRETARY MAY EMPLOY A STAFF ATTACHED TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

(B) DESIGNATION OF STAFF ASSISTANTS IN CHARGE OF AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY.

THE SECRETARY MAY DESIGNATE A STAFF ASSISTANT TO BE IN CHARGE OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY.

(C) EMPLOYMENT STATUS.

(1) (I) THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT EACH STAFF ASSISTANT IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY AND EACH PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT.

(II) AN EMPLOYEE SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH:

1. IS IN THE EXECUTIVE SERVICE OR MANAGEMENT SERVICE OF, OR IS A SPECIAL APPOINTMENT UNDER, THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM; AND

2. SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY.