- (III) APPOINTED BY OR WHO ARE ON THE STAFF OF THE GOVERNOR OR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR; OR
- (IV) EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE OR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.
- (D) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY EXCLUSIVELY HAS THE POWERS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION.
  - (E) (C) ONLY AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY
- (1) APPOINT, PROMOTE, TRANSFER, REASSIGN, DISCIPLINE, AND TERMINATE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY: AND
- (2) DELEGATE IN WRITING THE AUTHORITY TO ACT ON THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY'S BEHALF, BUT ONLY TO ANY OTHER AN EMPLOYEE OR OFFICER UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY.
- (F) (D) AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY NOT DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE FINAL DECISION ON THE TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE.
- (G) (E) AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY SHALL NOTIFY THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT OF ANY DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION BY PROVIDING THE SECRETARY A COPY OF THE DELEGATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007.

May 17, 2007

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker: