

[(b) Staff of the Office shall be appointed jointly by the President and the Speaker.

(c) (1) Subject to the hearing requirements of this subsection, the President and the Speaker jointly may remove an individual from the staff for cause.

(2) Before the President and the Speaker remove an individual under this subsection, they shall give the individual notice and an opportunity for a hearing.]

(B) THE HEAD OF THE OFFICE IS THE ADMINISTRATOR WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

(C) (1) FOR 1 YEAR AFTER APPOINTMENT AND, IF THE DIRECTOR EXTENDS THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD, FOR 1 ADDITIONAL 6-MONTH PERIOD, THE ADMINISTRATOR SHALL SERVE ON A PROBATIONARY BASIS AND MAY BE DISMISSED BY THE DIRECTOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

(2) AFTER THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD, THE ADMINISTRATOR SHALL SERVE 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 ARTICLE.

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

(E) (1) THE STAFF OF THE OFFICE SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR.

(2) THE STAFF IS SUBJECT TO THE GUIDELINES AS PROVIDED IN § 2-1207(G) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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(a) The Office is a staff agency of the General Assembly under the general supervision and control of the [President and the Speaker] DIRECTOR.

(b) (1) The Office shall receive and analyze requests from members of the General Assembly for reimbursement and from other persons for payment of legislative expenses, including:

- (i) office rent;
- (ii) secretarial and other services;
- (iii) telephone and other communication expenses;
- (iv) equipment;
- (v) supplies; and
- (vi) travel.