
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JULY 21, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 5, 1941 (P.L.752, No.286), entitled
2 "An act regulating and improving the civil service of certain
3 departments and agencies of the Commonwealth; vesting in the
4 State Civil Service Commission and a Personnel Director
5 certain powers and duties; providing for classification of
6 positions, adoption of compensation schedules and
7 certification of payrolls; imposing duties upon certain
8 officers and employes of the Commonwealth; authorizing
9 service to other State departments or agencies and political
10 subdivisions of the Commonwealth in matters relating to civil
11 service; defining certain crimes and misdemeanors; imposing
12 penalties; making certain appropriations, and repealing
13 certain acts and parts thereof," in general provisions,
14 further providing for definitions.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. Section 3(c) of the act of August 5, 1941
18 (P.L.752, No.286), known as the Civil Service Act, is amended to
19 read:

20 Section 3. Definition of Terms.--In this act, unless the
21 context otherwise clearly requires,--

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23 (c) "Unclassified service" includes all positions now
24 existing or hereafter created in departments and agencies

1 included in clause (d) of this section, which are held by:

2 (1) Heads of departments of the Commonwealth and the deputy
3 heads thereof, bureau directors and division chiefs and all
4 other supervisory personnel whose duties include participation
5 in policy decisions.

6 (2) Members of boards and commissions.

7 (3) One secretary or one confidential clerk and not more
8 than five (5) other personal assistants or aides to each state
9 appointing authority, or each member thereof, as the case may
10 be, except the commission and the director.

11 (4) Any person appointed for the duration of a special
12 study, project, or internship which is scheduled to be completed
13 after a fixed or limited period of time and which, for reasons
14 set forth in the minutes of the commission, should not be
15 performed by persons in the classified service.

16 (5) Such attorney as the appointing authority shall appoint.

17 (6) Unskilled Labor.

18 (7) All professional positions attached to the department
19 head's office which function in press and/or public relations,
20 legislative liaison or development of executive policy.

21 (8) All museum and historic site administrator positions
22 under the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

23 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this clause, any
24 State program which is required to have its positions under a
25 merit system because of the receipt of Federal grants-in-aid
26 shall not have more positions in the unclassified service than
27 are allowed by Federal merit system standards.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.