

Commissioner's Plan

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Chapter 1 – Coverage

This Plan, authorized by M.S. 43A.18, subdivision 2, establishes the compensation, terms, and conditions of employment for all non-managerial classified and unclassified employees (except unclassified employees of the legislative and judicial branches) who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement and who are not otherwise provided for in law. Specifically included are:

- Confidential employees as identified in M.S. 179A.03, subdivision 4, except confidential employees of constitutional offices;
- Classified employees and employees identified in M.S. 43A.346 in the Office of the Legislative Auditor. NOTE: Pursuant to M.S. 3.971, subdivision 2, compensation for employees of the Office of the Legislative Auditor in classified service shall be governed by a plan prepared by the Legislative Auditor and approved by the legislature under section 3.855, subdivision 3.
- Employees who work less than fourteen (14) hours per week or less than sixty-seven (67) days in any calendar year and are, therefore, excluded from the bargaining units to which their classes are assigned (hereinafter referred to as "insufficient work time employees"). NOTE: The salary administration provisions for insufficient work time employees shall be the same as for bargaining unit employees as provided in the master collective bargaining agreement or in supplemental language in the agreement. However, for insufficient work time employees at MnSCU who are excluded from bargaining units 209, 210, and 211, the terms and conditions of employment shall be the same as for bargaining unit employees as provided in the master collective bargaining agreement or in supplemental language in the agreement;
- Administrative Law Judges 1 and 2; Administrative Law Judge Supervisors;
- Employees who have severed from bargaining units under the provisions of M.S. 179A.10, subdivision 3, except for professional employees of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education
- Health treatment professionals in classifications assigned to bargaining unit 13; and
- Employees of the Bureau of Mediation Services and employees in the classes of Pilot and Chief Pilot under the provisions of M.S. 179A.10, subdivision 1.

This Plan covers the biennium beginning on July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2025. Unless otherwise specified, this Plan's provisions are effective on the date this Plan is approved by the Legislative Coordinating Commission or ratified by the Legislature, whichever occurs first. The provisions (except for those that are date specific) shall remain in effect after June 30, 2025, until a new Plan is approved by the Legislative Coordinating Commission or ratified by the Legislature.

All of the terms and conditions of employment for medical specialists are contained in the Medical Specialists' Addendum to the Commissioner's Plan. Compensation for medical specialists is established under the provisions of M.S. 43A.17, subdivision 4.

If the collective bargaining agreement with any bargaining unit is cancelled, the terms and conditions contained in this Plan shall apply to employees that were covered by the cancelled agreement except where the Employer determines that modifications are necessary.

Certain provisions of this Plan also apply to non-managerial employees covered by agency compensation plans approved by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget under the provisions of M.S. 43A.18, subdivision 4. The provisions of Chapters 2, 3, 4, 5, 13, and 14 shall not apply to such employees unless incorporated, in whole or in part, by specific reference in the agency plan. All other provisions shall apply to employees covered by agency plans unless superseded by law or rule.

For employees in bargaining units 9, 10, and 11, the terms and conditions provided by applicable collective bargaining agreements in effect on June 30, 2023 shall apply, except for insurance benefits which shall be provided in accordance with Chapter 13 of this Plan.

MMB may correct typographical / spelling / mathematical errors and make other non-substantive changes to this Plan during the biennium. MMB may also create new salary ranges to accommodate the creation of new classifications or to reassign existing classes. MMB will publish the most up-to-date Plan on MMB's website.

If the Subcommittee on Employee Relations or the legislature approves a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) amending or supplementing the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, employees covered by this Plan may be covered by the terms and conditions of that MOU at the sole discretion of the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.

Employees covered by this Plan are invited to submit comments, questions and suggestions regarding the Plan at any time. Written comments should refer to specific Plan provisions and be addressed to class_comp.mmb@state.mn.us or to:

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Chapter 2 – Hours of Work and Overtime

Standard Work Schedules.

The standard work day consists of eight (8) hours of work within a twenty-four (24) hour period, exclusive of a duty-free unpaid meal period. The standard work week consists of five (5) consecutive days totaling forty (40) hours.

An Appointing Authority may establish other daily or weekly work schedules, including but not limited to four (4) ten (10)-hour days, and shall give affected employees fourteen (14) days' notice of permanent schedule changes. However, employees returning to work as part of a workers' compensation placement need not receive fourteen (14) days' notice of their initial schedule.

Work schedules for insufficient work time employees may be established or changed by the Appointing Authority in accord with the needs of the agency without regard to the fourteen (14) day notice requirement.

Flexible Work Schedules.

An employee may request a modification of their current work schedule. The Appointing Authority may approve or deny flexible work schedules and retains the responsibility for determining exemptions from, or terminations of, flexible work schedules which adversely affect the operation of the agency or any of its units or the level of service to the public.

Emergency Work Schedules.

In emergency situations, an Appointing Authority may change work schedules without advance notice for such time periods as the Appointing Authority determines that alternative schedules are necessary.

Meal and Rest Periods.

Each employee who works more than four (4) hours per day shall normally have a duty-free unpaid meal period of no less than thirty (30) minutes nor more than sixty (60) minutes, the duration of which is at the discretion of the Appointing Authority. Each employee shall have a fifteen (15) minute paid rest period during each four (4) hours of scheduled work. The scheduling of employee rest periods is at the discretion of the Appointing Authority. Daylight Savings Time.

Employees required to work an additional hour due to the change from daylight savings time to standard time shall be paid for the additional hour worked at the appropriate overtime rate. Employees required to work one (1) less hour due to the change from standard time to daylight savings time shall be paid for the actual hours worked.

Employees may use vacation time or compensatory time to make up for the one (1) hour lost. Employees in the first six (6) months of employment who are otherwise eligible to accrue but not use vacation may be advanced one (1) hour of vacation time which shall either be deducted from their initial vacation leave balance, or deducted from their last paycheck if the employee is separated prior to six (6) months of State service.

Changes in Employment Condition.

Permanent Reduction or Increase. Full-time employees desiring to work less than full-time and part-time employees desiring to work full-time may do so pursuant to a mutual agreement with the Appointing Authority and the employee.

Temporary Reduction or Increase. Full-time employees desiring to work less than full-time and part-time employees desiring to work full-time, on a temporary basis not to exceed twelve (12) months, may do so pursuant to a mutual agreement with the Appointing Authority and the employee.

Part-time Hours.

If it is necessary to reduce the hours of a part-time position such that the incumbent of the position is no longer eligible to participate in the Employer's insurance program, the Appointing Authority shall request volunteers for the position from among part-time employees in the same class, employment condition, and work area/principal place of employment. If there are no volunteers, the least senior qualified employee in the same class, employment condition, and work area/principal place of employment shall be assigned to the position.

Definitions.

The following definitions are intended for use in administering the overtime provisions of this Plan:

Work Week. A fixed and regularly recurring period of seven (7) consecutive calendar days chosen by the Appointing Authority. Unless otherwise designated, the work week for nonexempt employees begins on a Wednesday and ends the following Tuesday.

Work Period. A fixed and regularly recurring period of time used to determine an employee's eligibility for overtime payments under the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act. Employees of institutions operated by the Department of Human Services and Veterans Homes may be employed on the basis of an eighty (80) hour work period, which coincides with the pay period. Employees of Corrections facilities, the Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Military Affairs may be employed on the basis of a work period chosen by the Appointing Authority which shall be at least seven (7) days but not more than twenty-eight (28) days in length. The Appointing Authority shall notify employees whose work period is other than the work week.

Non-exempt Employees.

This section applies only to employees designated as non-exempt by the Employer or the United States Department of Labor.

Overtime Definition. Overtime is all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in the work week unless employees have been notified that they are subject to one (1) of the following work periods:

For the eighty (80) hour work period in for any agency who has elected to implement the FLSA "7(j)" schedule, overtime is hours worked in excess of eight (8) in a day or eighty (80) hours in the work period.

For the seven to twenty-eight (7-28) day work for any agency who has elected to implement the FLSA "7(k)" schedule, overtime is hours worked in excess of the number of hours allowed by the federal Fair Labor Standards Act for the designated work period, or as provided in the relevant labor contract for represented employees.

Non-exempt Employees - Hours Included in Overtime Calculation.

Clerical, Technical, Craft and Service. All paid vacation, paid holidays, paid sick leave, compensatory time, and paid leaves of absence other than paid parenting leave shall be considered "time worked" for purposes of overtime calculation.

Professional. Employees in classifications with the salary range maximum rates which are lower than the maximum rate of O7L shall have vacation, sick leave and holiday hours considered as "time worked" for purposes of overtime calculation.

Employees in classifications equal to or higher than 07L shall not include vacation, holiday, sick leave, compensatory time, or paid leaves of absences for purposes of calculating overtime.

Supervisory. For employees assigned to Progression Code 2 “hours worked” shall include vacation, sick leave, holidays, compensatory time, and paid leaves of absence other than paid parenting leave.

For employees assigned to Progression Code 1 “hours worked” shall not include vacation, holidays, compensatory time, and paid leaves of absence.

Hours Balancing. With supervisory approval, employees may adjust their hours and days of work within the work week or work period, provided the change does not require in the payment of overtime. With supervisory approval, employees who are qualified and capable may mutually agree to exchange days, shifts or hours of work. For purposes of overtime, the employees involved in the exchange shall be treated as if they had worked their normal schedules and no overtime shall be owed because of the exchange. The Appointing Authority may schedule employees off for all or a portion of a work day to balance their hours within the work week or work period. Such balancing shall not result in employees being scheduled below their normally scheduled hours.

Overtime Payments. Overtime payments shall be compensated at the rate of time and one-half the employee’s regular rate of pay. Overtime shall be liquidated in the form of either cash or compensatory time off at the employee’s option.

Exempt Employees.

It is recognized that FLSA exempt employees are responsible for managing and accounting for their own hours of work and that they may work hours in excess of the normal work day, work week and payroll period. With supervisory approval, FLSA exempt employees may balance hours of work in subsequent work days and subsequent payroll periods, provided that such time management does not result in overtime payment or guarantee hour for hour time off for extra hours worked.

Special Project Overtime. With prior approval of the Appointing Authority, exempt employees are eligible for overtime pay for special assignments outside their normal duties. Overtime shall be paid at the straight time rate for hours worked in excess of eighty (80) in a two (2) week payroll period. “Hours worked” shall not include vacation, sick leave, holidays, compensatory time off, or paid leaves of absence. Overtime shall be liquidated in cash or compensatory time, at the Appointing Authority’s option.

In lieu of straight time pay, with prior approval from the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget, the employee and the Appointing Authority for whom the special project is performed may mutually agree to one or more lump sum payments for completion of the project or identified milestones. The employee and their current Appointing Authority may also mutually agree to payment in the form of paid time off. The employee and the Appointing Authority shall mutually agree on the amount(s) of cash or time off payments, the timing of payments and the performance requirements for receiving payment.

Emergency Overtime. In emergency situations, the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may allow exempt employees to be compensated for overtime under conditions specified by the Commissioner and may also authorize compensation at the rate of time and one-half in the form of either cash or compensatory time off at the Appointing Authority's option.

Compensatory Time Banks.

Size of Bank. An employee's compensatory time bank may not exceed one hundred twenty (120) hours unless the Appointing Authority establishes a higher or lower maximum, not to exceed two hundred forty (240) hours. When an employee reaches the compensatory time bank maximum, all additional overtime hours worked shall be paid in cash.

Use of Compensatory Time. Employees shall be permitted to use compensatory time off upon request provided that the request is made fourteen (14) or more calendar days in advance and the use of time off does not unduly disrupt the operations of the Appointing Authority. The Appointing Authority may waive the fourteen (14) day notice requirement.

The Appointing Authority may schedule compensatory time off for an employee by providing notice prior to the time off.

Liquidation of Compensatory Time Banks. With thirty-five (35) calendar days' notice, the Appointing Authority may liquidate all or a portion of compensatory time banks provided that all employees in the agency are treated in a uniform manner.

The Appointing Authority and an employee accepting a position which is not covered by this Plan but is in the same State agency and eligible to earn and use compensatory time, may mutually agree to liquidate all, none or a portion of the employee's unused compensatory time. If there is no agreement, all unused compensatory time shall be paid in cash. Any compensatory time retained to the employee's credit must be consistent with provisions of the collective bargaining agreement or plan covering the position which the employee has accepted.

An employee accepting another position covered by this Plan in another state agency shall liquidate the portion of their compensatory time bank balance that exceeds one hundred twenty (120) hours prior to appointment in the new agency.

An employee shall have all unused compensatory time paid in cash when:

- Accepting a position not covered by this Plan in another State agency; or
- Accepting a position not covered by this Plan and not eligible to earn and use compensatory time; or
- Being permanently laid off.

An employee being placed on seasonal layoff may have unused compensatory time paid in cash or retained to their credit at the discretion of the employee. In all of these cases, cash payment of unused compensatory time shall be at the employee's current rate of pay.

An employee who is placed on emergency layoff shall not have their compensatory time paid in cash.

An employee separating from State service shall have unused compensatory time paid in cash. Upon termination of employment, cash payment of unused compensatory time shall be at the employee's final rate of pay or the average rate received during the last three (3) years of employment, whichever is greater.

On Call.

Employees are in on-call status if instructed by their Appointing Authority to be available to work during an off-duty period. When in on-call status, employees are not required to remain in a fixed location, but must leave word where they may be reached by telephone or by an electronic signaling device. Employees who are instructed to remain in an on-call status shall be compensated for such time at the rate of fifteen (15) minutes straight time pay for each one (1) hour of on-call status. Employees shall not receive on-call pay for hours actually worked.

Appointing Authorities who require employees to be on-call may develop alternative plans to reimburse those employees and submit them to the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget for approval prior to their use.

Call In.

Employees called to work by their supervisor prior to their regularly scheduled shift shall receive a minimum payment of two (2) hours of pay.

Call Back.

Employees called back to work by their supervisor after their regularly scheduled shift and who were not assigned such work by the end of their last worked shift prior to the assigned work shall be paid a minimum of two (2) hours of pay. Employees who are called back to work shall be reimbursed mileage for driving to and from their work station and their home if they use their own vehicle.

Appointing Authorities who call in or call back employees may develop alternative plans to reimburse those employees and submit them to the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget for approval prior to their use.

Chapter 3 – Holidays

Eligibility.

All employees in payroll status, including employees serving a C-700 pre-probationary period, are eligible for paid holidays and floating holidays except temporary employees appointed for less than six (6) months, intermittent employees, and emergency employees.

Observed Holidays.

The following days shall be observed as paid holidays for all eligible employees:

Independence Day

Labor Day

Veterans Day

Thanksgiving Day

Day after Thanksgiving
Christmas
New Year's
Martin Luther King Day
Presidents Day
Memorial Day
Juneteenth

For all eligible employees assigned to a Monday through Friday, five (5) day operation, holidays that fall on a Saturday shall be observed as a paid holiday on the Friday before. Holidays that fall on a Sunday shall be observed as a paid holiday on the Monday after the holiday.

Floating Holidays.

An employee shall receive one (1) floating holiday each fiscal year. However, seasonal employees are eligible for only one (1) floating holiday per season. The employee must request the floating holiday in advance. The holiday shall be taken on an employee's regularly scheduled work day subject to mutual agreement between the Appointing Authority and the employee. The floating holiday shall be taken in the fiscal year in which it is earned, or it is lost.

Employees who move into the Plan from another Minnesota state position that has received a floating holiday shall not receive an additional floating holiday during that fiscal year.

Substitute Holidays.

The Appointing Authority may designate substitute or floating holidays for the observance of Veterans Day, Presidents Day and the day after Thanksgiving.

Religious Holidays.

When a religious holiday, not observed as a holiday listed above, falls on an employee's regularly scheduled work day, the employee shall be entitled to that day off to observe the religious holiday.

Time to observe a religious holiday shall be taken without pay unless the employee uses accumulated vacation leave or compensatory time or, by mutual consent with the Appointing Authority, is able to work an equivalent number of hours during the workweek (for nonexempt employees) or at some other mutually agreed upon time (for exempt employees) to compensate for the hours lost. An employee shall notify their supervisor of their intention to observe a religious holiday in advance of the holiday.

Holiday Pay Entitlement.

Eligible employees who take a holiday on the date indicated in "Observed Holidays" or use a floating holiday shall be paid in cash at their regular hourly rate for the appropriate number of Holiday Pay hours. In order to receive a paid holiday, an eligible employee must be in payroll status on the normally scheduled number of hours on the days immediately preceding and following the holiday(s). In the event an employee dies or is mandatorily retired on a holiday or holiday weekend, the employee shall be entitled to be paid for the holiday(s).

Determining Hours of Holiday Pay.

An eligible employee who normally works at least seventy-two (72) hours per pay period shall receive the holiday pay for the number of hours in the employee's normal work day. Full-time employees working flex schedules with variable hours per day shall receive the number of hours per day to achieve their normal payroll period schedule.

The Appointing Authority shall determine whether Holiday Pay shall be paid in cash. If the Appointing Authority decides not to pay in cash, the employee may choose to receive Holiday Pay hours as vacation leave or compensatory time. To choose to receive payment as vacation, the employee must be eligible to accrue and use vacation leave under this Plan.

Employees with flextime schedules shall not receive additional paid holiday hours over those normally scheduled in the work week.

Eligible employees who normally work less than seventy-two (72) hours per pay period shall have their holiday pay pro-rated in accord with the schedule set forth in Appendix D. In payroll periods that include a holiday, supervisors may allow part-time employees to arrange their work schedules to avoid a reduction in salary due to the proration of holiday pay, provided such rescheduling does not result in the payment of overtime.

Holidays on a Day Off.

When any of the "Observed Holidays" falls on an employee's regularly scheduled day off, the employee shall be paid in cash. If the Appointing Authority decides not to pay in cash, the employee may choose to receive the Holiday Pay hours as vacation leave or compensatory time. To choose to receive payment as vacation, the employee must be eligible to accrue and use vacation leave under this Plan.

Work on a Holiday.

An employee who works on any holiday provided by this Plan shall be paid at the employee's appropriate overtime rate (straight time or time and one-half) for all hours worked. Hours worked shall be paid in cash.

In the Departments of Corrections and Human Services, employees not eligible for time and one-half overtime shall receive a holiday bonus of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each four (4) hours or portion thereof worked up to a maximum of forty dollars (\$40.00) for those hours specifically assigned by the supervisor and worked on a holiday.

Chapter 4 – Vacation Leave

Eligibility.

All employees, including employees serving a C-700 pre-probationary period, who are appointed for a period in excess or anticipated to be in excess of six (6) months and are in payroll status, are eligible to accrue vacation leave except intermittent employees, and emergency employees.

Crediting and Use of Vacation Upon Entry.

Upon entry to State service, an eligible employee shall be credited with forty (40) hours of vacation leave. If a current employee in State service in a position that is not eligible for vacation is appointed to a Commissioner's Plan position that is eligible for vacation, they shall be credited with forty (40) hours of vacation. Such credit shall be reduced proportionately as vacation leave is accumulated. Vacation hours credited in the manner above but not offset by accumulated vacation prior to separation from State service shall not be eligible for liquidation.

If a current employee in State service is appointed to a Commissioner’s Plan position and that employee has their accumulated vacation leave hours transferred, the employee shall not be credited with additional vacation leave hours.

Vacation Accrual.

A full-time employee shall accrue vacation leave each pay period according to the rates provided below. An employee being paid for less than a full eighty (80) hour pay period shall have their vacation accrual prorated according to the schedule provided by Appendix B. Eligible employees on an unpaid military leave under Chapter 6 shall earn and accrue vacation leave as though actually at work, pursuant to M.S. 192.261, Subd. 1.

Vacation Accrual Schedule for Full-Time Employees

Length of Service	Employees	Health Treatment Professionals
0 through 5 years	4 hours	6 hours
After 5 through 8 years	5 hours	7 hours
After 8 through 10 years	7 hours	7.5 hours
After 10 through 12 years	7 hours	8 hours
After 12 through 18 years	7.5 hours	8 hours
After 18 through 25 years	8 hours	8.5 hours
After 25 through 30 years	8.5 hours	9 hours
After 30 years	9 hours	9 hours

Changes in accrual rates shall be made effective at the beginning of the next payroll period following completion of the specified "Length of Service Requirement."

As used above, "Length of Service" includes all time served in vacation eligible status including layoff status, but does not include time on disciplinary suspension or unpaid non-medical leaves of absence which exceed one (1) full pay period in duration. However, an employee on military leave or salary savings leave shall earn credit for "Length of Service."

"Length of Service" may also include time spent with other employers as stated below:

1. An eligible employee who moves without a break in service to a Plan position from any other position in any branch of Minnesota State government shall have their length of service and accumulated vacation leave transferred, provided that the total amount of accumulated vacation does not exceed two hundred and seventy-five (275) hours.
2. An eligible employee who is appointed to a Plan position within four (4) years from the date of separation in good standing from any position in any branch of Minnesota State government shall accrue vacation leave according to the length of service the employee had attained at the time of separation.
3. A former Legislator who is appointed to a Plan position within four (4) years of the end of their term in the Legislature shall receive full credit for their length of service in the Legislature.

4. At the discretion of the Appointing Authority, employees who are hired into State service may be granted length of service credit in an amount up to the total years of previous work related to the employee's current State position in an amount determined by the Appointing Authority. At the Appointing Authority's discretion, current Plan employees may request consideration for length of service credit in an amount up to the total years of previous work related to the employee's current State position.

An employee who has previous service under provisions 1-4 above may be granted credit for such service by submitting documentation of the qualifying service to the Appointing Authority for approval. Any change in length of service credit shall only affect future leave accrual and shall be effective the pay period in which the Appointing Authority approves the request.

Vacation Usage.

Vacation leave shall not be used during the pay period in which the hours are accrued. Employees shall submit written requests to use vacation leave prior to the absence. The Appointing Authority shall respond within a reasonable period and shall deny the request only to meet job-related organizational needs. Except in emergencies, no employee shall be required to work during the employee's vacation once the vacation request has been approved.

Vacation accrued while on paid leave may be used by the employee with the approval of the supervisor without returning to work prior to the usage of such accrued leave.

Should an employee become ill or disabled while on vacation, vacation leave may be changed to sick leave, effective the date of the illness or disability, upon timely notice to the employee's supervisor.

Vacation Charges.

An employee who uses vacation leave shall be charged only for the number of hours they would have been scheduled to work during the period of absence. Holidays that occur during vacation periods shall be paid as holidays and not charged as vacation leave.

Vacation Accumulation.

Vacation leave may be accumulated to any amount provided that once during each fiscal year, the employee's balance must be reduced to two hundred seventy-five (275) hours or less. If this is not accomplished on or before the last day of the fiscal year, the employee's balance shall automatically be reduced to two hundred seventy-five (275) hours at the end of the fiscal year.

The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may temporarily suspend the maximum number of hours which may be accumulated in emergency situations. Emergencies are defined as nonrecurring situations that could not be anticipated or planned for. Emergencies do not include seasonal fluctuation in workload (e.g., Legislature in session, budget development, forest fire season, park season, or road construction season) which occur on a regular and reasonably predictable basis.

Employees on a military leave under Chapter 6 may accumulate vacation to any amount provided that the balance is reduced to two hundred seventy-five (275) hours within two (2) years of the employee's return from the leave.

Vacation Leave Liquidation.

An eligible employee who separates from State service or moves to a vacation-ineligible position shall be compensated, as detailed below, at the employee's current rate of pay, for all accumulated and unused vacation leave up to a maximum of two hundred seventy-five (275) hours. The maximum cap shall not apply in situations where the payout is due to the employee's death. Vacation leave may not be used in combination with unpaid leave on separation from State service to extend insurance coverage. Seasonal employees may, at the Appointing Authority's discretion, be allowed to liquidate all, none or a portion of their accumulated vacation leave balances at the time of their seasonal layoff.

An employee who separates from State service with ten (10) or more years of State service shall have unused vacation hours placed in an individual Minnesota State Retirement System Health Care Savings Plan account. An employee who does not meet the ten (10) year State service requirement or whose combined vacation and severance payout is less than five hundred dollars (\$500) may choose to:

- Be paid in a lump sum at the time of eligible separation;
- Arrange for a one-time deferred compensation or tax sheltered annuity deduction, provided the employee satisfies all requirements of the administrator or the deferred compensation plan or tax-sheltered annuity; or
- A combination of both.

An employee who is laid off or dies shall receive vacation in cash.

For budget reasons, an Appointing Authority may elect to distribute the vacation payment over a period of up to two (2) years from the date of separation. If the employee dies before all of the vacation pay has been disbursed, the balance due shall be paid to a named beneficiary, if any, or to the employee's estate.

An employee who is placed on emergency layoff shall not have their accumulated vacation leave hours liquidated.

Conversion of Accumulated Vacation to Deferred Compensation.

Once in each fiscal year, an employee with at least six (6) months of continuous service in this Plan or any combination of service in the Managerial Plan, Commissioner's Plan or qualifying service in the Middle Management Association equaling at least six (6) months combined continuous service must choose to either convert a portion of their accumulated vacation, up to a maximum of forty (40) vacation hours, to a contribution to a deferred compensation plan for which the State provides payroll deduction or choose to receive the State-paid matching deferred compensation contribution as provided in Chapter 14. No minimum service is required if the State-paid matching deferred compensation contribution is selected.

Employees must choose one of these options by June 5th of each fiscal year.

Contributions to deferred compensation plans made through the conversion of vacation hours are subject to all of the rules and regulations of their respective plans.

Appointing Authorities may limit the amount of vacation hours converted on an agency-wide basis to deferred compensation or may deny requests for the State-paid deferred compensation contribution provided in Chapter 14 due to budget restrictions.

These provisions do not apply to employees covered by a compensation plan established under the provisions of M.S. 43A.18, subdivision 4 unless that compensation plan is amended to include a specific reference to these provisions.

Chapter 5 – Sick Leave

Eligibility.

All employees who are appointed for a period in excess or anticipated to be in excess of six (6) months and are in payroll status, including employees serving a C-700 pre-probationary period, are eligible to accrue paid sick leave as provided in this Chapter except intermittent employees and emergency employees.

Sick Leave Accrual and Accumulation.

A full-time employee shall accrue sick leave at the rate of four (4) hours per pay period. An employee being paid for less than a full eighty (80) hour pay period shall have their sick leave accrual prorated according to the schedule in Appendix C. Effective the beginning of the pay period ending January 2, 2024, temporary employees shall become eligible to accrue sick leave per the schedule in Appendix C.

Effective the beginning of the pay period ending January 2, 2024, all intermittent and emergency employees in this Plan shall be eligible to accrue sick leave per pay period in accordance with the proration schedule in Appendix C.

Eligible employees on an unpaid military leave under Chapter 6 shall earn and accrue sick leave as though actually at work, pursuant to M.S. 192.261. Subd. 1.

Transfer/Restoration of Sick Leave Hours.

An eligible employee who moves without a break in service to a Plan position from any other position in any branch of Minnesota State government, shall have their accumulated sick leave balance transferred. If the previous accrual rate and maximum accumulation were greater than those provided in this Plan, the leave balance shall be transferred in an amount equal to what the employee would have accumulated under this Plan.

An eligible employee who is appointed to a Plan position within four (4) years from the date of separation in good standing from any other position in any branch of Minnesota State government shall have their sick leave balance restored provided that any employee being appointed after receiving severance pay shall have their unpaid sick leave restored. If the appointment is to an appointment that is sick leave ineligible, any previous unpaid sick leave shall not be restored. If the previous accrual rate and maximum accumulation were greater than those provided in this Plan, the leave balance shall be restored in an amount equal to what the employee would have accumulated under this Plan.

Employees may use the restored sick leave immediately upon return to State service.

Usage.

Whenever practicable, an employee shall submit a written request for sick leave in advance of the period of absence. When advance notice is not possible, an employee shall notify their supervisor by telephone or other means at the earliest opportunity. Effective beginning the pay period ending January 2, 2024, temporary intermittent and emergency employees in this Plan shall be eligible to use accrued sick leave as provided in this chapter.

An employee shall be granted sick leave to the extent of their accumulation for the following:

- Employee’s own illness, disability, or medical, chiropractic or dental care;
- Exposure to contagious disease which endangers the health of other persons,; or
- Inability to work during the period of time that the doctor certifies that the employee is unable to work because of pregnancy or childbirth.

An employee shall be granted sick leave for such reasonable periods as the employee's attendance may be necessary for the following

- Illness, injury, disability, medical/dental/chiropractic care of the employee’s family members;
- With advance notice, the time necessary (including reasonable travel to and from the work site) to accompany a family member to medical, chiropractic and dental appointments;
- To arrange for necessary nursing care for a family member;
- Prior to January 1, 2024 “Family members” for purposes of this section is as defined in MN Statute 181.9413 and means: spouse, minor children, adult children, siblings, parents, stepparents, grandparents, grandchild, father-in-law, and mother-in-law (the person being cared for need not live in the same household as the manager). Other than for a child as defined in MN Statute 181.940, subd. 4 and 181.9413(e), the Appointing Authority may limit the use of sick leave for family members to 160 hours in any 12-month period. After January 1 2024, “Family Member” for purposes of this section is as defined at Minnesota Statutes section 181.9445.
- For the purpose of obtaining assistance for the employee or providing assistance to a family member because of sexual assault, domestic violence, or stalking. The Appointing Authority may limit the use of sick leave for this purpose to 160 hours in any 12-month period;
- Birth or adoption of the employee's child, not to exceed five (5) days;
- To attend the funeral of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, grandparent, stepparent, guardian, child, grandchild, sibling, stepchild, ward, parent/grandparent of the spouse, or other close relative for a reasonable period of time, including necessary travel time, but not for absences to aid bereaved relatives or to attend to the estate of the deceased.
- Employees who experience a stillbirth or the death of their child within the time-period they would otherwise be eligible to use Paid Parenting Leave (PPL) under the conditions of Chapter Six (6) are eligible to use any accrued PPL.

An employee using sick leave or unpaid medical leave may be required to furnish a statement from their medical practitioner or a medical practitioner designated by the Appointing Authority indicating the nature and expected duration of the illness or disability. The Appointing Authority may also require a similar statement from a medical practitioner if the Appointing Authority has reason to believe the employee is not able to work or has been exposed to a contagious disease which endangers the health of other persons.

Sick leave hours shall not be used during the pay period in which the hours are accrued. Sick leave accruals earned while on paid leave may be used by the employee with the approval of the supervisor without returning to work prior to the usage of accrued sick leave.

Sick Leave Charges.

An employee using sick leave shall be charged for only the number of hours that the employee was scheduled to work during the period of sick leave. Holidays that occur during sick leave periods will be paid as holidays and not charged as sick leave.

Chapter 6 – Other Leaves of Absence

Application for Leave.

An employee shall submit a request for a leave of absence in writing to the immediate supervisor as far in advance of the requested absence as is practicable. The request shall state the reason for, and the anticipated duration of, the leave of absence.

Permanent Status.

For the purposes of this Chapter, “permanent status” does not include an employee in a probationary, unclassified, temporary, emergency or provisional appointment.

Family and Medical Leave Act.

See Appendix J.

Paid Leaves of Absence.

Paid leaves of absence shall not exceed the employee's normal work schedule and shall be granted as follows:

A. Paid Parental Leave.

1. **Length of Leave.** Paid parental leaves of absence of up to six (6) consecutive weeks shall be granted to eligible state employees who request such leave following the birth or adoption of a child.
2. **Eligibility.** Employees are eligible if they meet eligibility criteria for Family and Medical Leave Act (“FMLA”) leave, which generally means the employee has been employed by any agency or entity of the State of Minnesota for twelve (12) months and has worked at least 1,250 hours during the year immediately preceding the leave. Paid parental leave (“PPL”) is available to employees who experience the following qualifying events:
 - An employee or their spouse/partner gives birth to the employee’s child;
 - A child is placed in the employee’s home for adoption; or
 - A child is placed in the employee’s home to adjudicate parentage in cases of surrogacy when the employee is the intended parent.
3. **Use.** Eligible employees must complete PPL within six (6) months of the qualifying event. At the Appointing Authority’s discretion, employees may be allowed intermittent or reduced schedule use of leave, which must be completed within twelve (12) months of the qualifying event. PPL not used within the required timeframe shall not be carried over or cashed out.

4. **Interaction with Other Leaves.** Paid parental leave will run concurrently with any unpaid leave(s) that parents may be entitled to under other provisions of this Plan or provided by law. Employees shall not receive other types of paid leave provided by this Plan (e.g., sick, vacation, compensatory time) for hours for which they are receiving PPL.
- B. **Court appearance leave** for appearances before a court or other judicial or quasi-judicial body in response to a subpoena or other direction by proper authority for purposes related to the employee's State job. The employee shall receive regular pay for such appearances or attendances, including necessary travel time, provided that any fee received, exclusive of paid expenses, is returned to the State. Any employee who must appear and testify in private litigation, not as an officer of the State but as an individual, shall be required to use vacation leave, leave of absence without pay, or compensatory time unless, by mutual consent with the Appointing Authority, the employee is able to work an equivalent number of hours during the fiscal year to compensate for the hours lost.
- C. **Jury duty leave** for time to serve on a jury provided that when not impaneled for actual service or required by the Court to be present for potential selection for service, the employee shall report to work.
- D. **Election Judge leave** for purposes of serving as an Election Judge in any election. The employee must request the leave at least twenty (20) calendar days in advance.
- E. **Military leave** in accord with M.S. 192.261 for members of the National Guard or military or naval reserves of this State or of the United States who are ordered or authorized by the appropriate authorities to engage in active service or training. This leave shall be limited to fifteen (15) working days per calendar year. The employee must inform their Appointing Authority within seven (7) calendar days of receiving notification of duty.
- F. **Voting time leave** for employees eligible to vote in a state primary election, a presidential primary election, a tribal election, a state general election, an election to fill a vacancy in the United States Congress, or in the office of state senator or state representative provided that the leave is for a period of time long enough to vote during election day. See M.S. 204C.04.
- G. **Emergency leave** in the event of a natural or human-made emergency, if the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget, at the Commissioner's discretion after consultation with the Commissioner of Public Safety, determines to excuse employees with pay because continued operation would involve a threat to the health or safety of individuals. The length of any such leave shall be determined by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.
- H. **Athletic leave** at the Appointing Authority's discretion, in accord with M.S. 15.62 to prepare for and engage in world, Olympic, or Pan American games competition.
- I. **Blood donation leave** in accord with M.S. 43A.187 to donate blood at a location away from the place of work, not to exceed three (3) hours in a 12 (twelve) month period. The employee must provide fourteen (14) days' notice to the Appointing Authority.
- J. **Transition leave** at the Appointing Authority's discretion, for an employee on notice of permanent layoff. This leave is limited to one hundred sixty (160) hours, ending at the date of layoff. Hours of leave may be granted at any time throughout the layoff notice period and are not subject to the Application and Return provisions of this Chapter.

- K. **Transition Leave as a Result of Non-Certification**. An employee who is non-certified from one Appointing Authority and who has rights back to return to a previous position with another Appointing Authority may be placed on paid transition leave by that receiving Appointing Authority for up to forty (40) hours from the effective day of the non-certification.
- L. **Administrative leave** at the Appointing Authority's discretion, for an employee who has been involved in a critical incident, or where continued presence in the work place poses a risk to the employee or the agency. Leave is limited to thirty (30) calendar days unless the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget authorizes an extension of not more than thirty (30) additional calendar days. It is the Appointing Authority's policy to return an employee to active service as soon as practical.
- M. **Investigatory leave** as provided in Chapter 11.

Unpaid Leaves of Absence - Mandatory.

Unpaid leaves of absence shall be granted upon an employee's request as follows:

- A. **Medical leave** for an employee with permanent status for a cumulative period of up to one (1) year per illness or injury, unless extended at the Appointing Authority's discretion, when an employee has exhausted their accumulation of sick leave due to an extended illness or injury. The employee must return from medical leave for at least six (6) months in order to be entitled to an additional one (1) year medical leave under this provision. (See sections on Family and Medical Leave Act, personal leave, and other statutory leaves for medical leave for employees without permanent status.)
- B. **Parenting Leave** for an employee with permanent status for a period of up to six (6) months when requested in conjunction with the birth or adoption of a child. The leave shall begin on the date requested by the employee but no later than six (6) weeks after the birth or adoption; except that, in the case where the child must remain in the hospital longer than the birth parent, the leave may begin up to six (6) weeks after the child leaves the hospital. Sick leave used with a medical practitioner's statement prior to the birth of the child will not reduce the duration of the leave of absence. Sick leave or vacation used following the birth of the child will not have the effect of extending the six (6)-month leave of absence. Upon request, the Appointing Authority may extend the leave up to a maximum of one (1) year per qualifying event. The employee must return from leave for at least six (6) months in order to be entitled to leave under this provision for a subsequent qualifying event. (See sections on Family and Medical Leave Act, personal leave, and other statutory leaves for medical leave for employees without permanent status.)
- C. **Military leave** in accord with M.S. 192.261, subdivision 1, for entry into active military service in the armed forces of this State or of the United States for the period of military service up to five (5) years plus any additional time, in each case, as the employee may be required to serve pursuant to law. See Chapters 4 and 5 regarding accrual of vacation and sick leave during an unpaid military leave.

At the employee's request, they shall be allowed to supplement unpaid military leave with vacation leave, in accord with law. Any vacation leave used must have been accumulated prior to the start of the military leave.

- D. **Military leave** in accord with 38 U.S.C. § 4316 for the period required to perform active duty for training or inactive duty training in the armed forces of the United States shall be granted with the employee being permitted to return to the employee's position with such seniority, status, pay, vacation, and sick leave as such employee would have had if the employee had not been absent due to service under § 4316. The employee should inform their Appointing Authority as soon as practicable with advance written or verbal notice of receiving notification of duty. See Chapters 4 and 5 regarding accrual of vacation and sick leave during an unpaid military leave.

At the employee's request, they shall be allowed to supplement unpaid military leave with vacation leave, in accord with law. Any vacation leave used must have been accumulated prior to the start of the military leave.

- E. **Political process leave** in accord with M.S. 202A.135 and 202A.19, subdivision 2, for the purpose of attending a precinct caucus, a meeting of the State central or executive committees of a major political party if the employee is a member of the committee, or any convention of major political party delegates including meetings of official convention committees if the employee is a convention delegate or alternate, provided that the leave is requested ten (10) days prior to the leave start date.

Unpaid Leaves of Absence - Discretionary.

Unpaid leaves of absence may be granted upon an employee's request at the discretion of the Appointing Authority as follows:

- A. **Salary savings leave** provided that an Appointing Authority shall not hire a replacement for an employee on leave. Employees taking salary savings leave shall continue to accrue vacation and sick leave and be eligible for paid holidays and insurance benefits as if the employees had been actually employed during the time of leave. If a leave of absence is for one (1) full pay period or longer, any holiday pay shall be included in the first payroll period after returning from the leave of absence.
- B. **Personal leave** for any reason, including but not limited to medical or parenthood leave for non-permanent status employees. No such leave shall be granted for the purpose of securing other employment, except as provided in this Chapter.
- C. **Unclassified service leave** in accord with M.S. 43A.07, subdivision 5, to allow an employee in the classified service to accept a position in the unclassified service.
- D. **Elder care leave** to care for or to arrange care for parents of the employee or the employee's spouse.
- E. **Voluntary service leave** such as VISTA, Peace Corps, UNICEF, or International Red Cross for a period not to exceed four (4) years.

Other Statutory Leaves.

Other mandatory and discretionary leaves are provided by statute, subject to statutory requirements.

Termination of Leaves.

An employee may terminate their leave of absence prior to the previously agreed upon date of expiration of the leave with the approval of the Appointing Authority. Leaves of absence or extensions of leaves which are subject to the discretionary authority of the Appointing Authority may be cancelled by an Appointing Authority upon reasonable notice to the employee. Such notice shall ordinarily be in writing except in case of emergency.

Return from Leave.

An employee on an approved leave of absence is required to contact the Appointing Authority if an extension is being requested. An employee returning from a leave of absence of one (1) months or more shall notify their Appointing Authority at least two (2) weeks prior to the intended date of return. An employee shall be entitled to return from an approved leave of absence to a vacant position in the same class and agency. If a vacant position in the employee's class is not available, the Appointing Authority may offer the employee a vacant position in a different class of comparable duties and pay for which the employee is qualified. If no vacant position is available and/or offered, the layoff provisions (including bumping rights) of Chapter 10 shall apply, to the extent applicable.

Failure to Return from Leave.

Failure to contact the Appointing Authority about an extension prior to the end of the approved leave or to return on expiration of the approved leave shall be deemed to be a voluntary resignation. The employee shall be severed from State service.

Absence Without Leave.

Any unauthorized absence from duty is an absence without leave and shall be without pay. If it is subsequently determined by an Appointing Authority that mitigating circumstances existed, the Appointing Authority may convert the absence without leave to other leave as appropriate. Absence without leave shall be just cause for disciplinary action.

Chapter 7 – Probationary and Trial Periods

Application of Probation.

The probationary period is an extension of the selection process. It provides an opportunity for the Appointing Authority to evaluate and the employee to demonstrate whether the employee can perform the duties and fulfill the responsibilities of the position.

Required Probationary Period.

An employee shall be required to complete a probationary period in order to attain permanent status in a class following unlimited appointment to a classified position except upon recall from an Agency Layoff List within two (2) years of the date of layoff or if the probationary period is optional as provided below.

Optional Probationary Period.

With written notice prior to the appointment date, an employee may be required by the Appointing Authority to serve a probationary period in order to attain permanent status in a class or agency after receiving any of the following types of appointments: reinstatement, transfer to a new class within an agency or between agencies or jurisdictions, transfer within the same class between agencies or jurisdictions, voluntary demotion to a new class within an agency or between agencies or jurisdictions, recall from an Agency Layoff List more than two (2) years after the date of layoff, or recall from a Class Layoff List to a new agency.

Length of Probationary Period.

Employees shall serve a probationary period of six (6) months except as provided below:

- Insufficient work time employees and intermittent employees shall serve a probationary period of one thousand forty-four (1044) hours not to exceed three (3) calendar years.
- Health Treatment Professionals shall serve probationary periods of one (1) year. An Appointing Authority may reduce the length of a Health Treatment Professional's required probationary period to not less than six (6) months.
- An Appointing Authority may reduce the probationary period of an incumbent appointed to a reallocated position to not less than three (3) months, or an employee's optional probationary period to any length by providing written notice to the employee and the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget of the determination to grant permanent status prior to completion of the probationary period.
- An Appointing Authority may extend an employee's six (6)-month probationary period for up to six (6) additional months if it would aid the Appointing Authority in determining the employee's ability to perform the duties of the position. In such cases, the Appointing Authority shall provide the employee with written notice of the length of the extension prior to the end of the six (6)-month probationary period.
- Except for reallocations, an Appointing Authority may establish a probationary period of up to one (1) year for administrative, technical, professional, or supervisory positions for which six (6) months is insufficient to expose an employee to all the duties and responsibilities of the position. Such probationary periods may be extended at the Appointing Authority's discretion. An employee required to serve a probationary period of more than six (6) months in accord with this provision shall be provided written notice by the Appointing Authority prior to the appointment date.
- The extension of a probationary period is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure of Chapter 12.

Computation of Time on Probation.

The probationary period begins on the day of unlimited appointment and includes all time in the agency in the class and in any subsequent appointments in the agency to comparable or higher related classes or related unclassified positions but not time on layoff or absences exceeding ten (10) consecutive work days. For insufficient work time employees and intermittent employees, time on probation shall include only hours of actual work in the agency during the normal work day, exclusive of overtime, holidays or leaves. Employees who promote or transfer to a different agency prior to completion of their probationary period shall complete probation in the former class, if different, on the same date they successfully complete probation in the new agency (and class, if different). This applies only to moves within a class series or to a related class. Employees who demote during or at the end of a probationary period shall have time in the higher class count toward completion of probation in the lower class, except as provided below in "Failure to Attain Permanent Status."

Attainment of Permanent Status.

An employee shall attain permanent status if the Appointing Authority certifies in writing that the employee has successfully completed the probationary period.

Failure to Attain Permanent Status.

Probationary appointments may be terminated at any time at the discretion of the Appointing Authority. The Appointing Authority shall notify the employee in writing of a decision not to certify the employee to permanent status in the position for which the employee was serving the probationary period (non-certification). Non-certification does not constitute a demotion or discharge for the purposes of Chapter 11 and is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure of Chapter 12.

An employee serving an initial probationary period (including an extended probationary period as described above) may be terminated by the Appointing Authority at any time during the probationary period and shall have no further rights to State employment.

A employee who has attained permanent status in another class and/or agency and who is notified by the Appointing Authority that they will be non-certified in the new class and/or agency, unless the non-certification is for misconduct or delinquency, shall be returned to a vacant position in the class, employment condition, and agency in which the employee served immediately prior to appointment to the new class and/or agency as long as the vacancy is within 35 miles of the appointment in which the employee has previously served. If there is no applicable vacancy, the layoff provisions (including bumping rights) of the collective bargaining agreement or plan applicable to the former class and/or agency shall be applied.

Employees who promote or transfer to a probationary appointment in another class and/or agency prior to completion of an initial probationary period, and are notified by the new Appointing Authority that they will be non-certified, unless the non-certification is for misconduct or delinquency, may, at the former Appointing Authority's discretion, be returned to a vacant position in the class, employment condition, and agency in which the employee served immediately prior to appointment to the new class and/or agency. Upon return, the employee will resume the probationary period at the point it was interrupted if returned to the same position, unless the Appointing Authority elects to extend the probationary period. If the employee returns to a different position, the probationary period begins anew. An employee who has not attained permanent status in any position may be terminated at any time and has no further rights to State employment.

For employees who previously had either permanent or probationary status in another class and/or agency, return to a vacancy is subject to applicable provisions of collective bargaining agreements and plans.

Trial Period.

An employee who has been appointed to a new class or who has transferred between classes and/or agencies and required to serve a new probationary period shall have a trial period of fifteen (15) calendar days in which to decide whether to remain in the new position. Upon their request, the employee shall be returned to their former class and/or agency any time during the trial period. If there is no vacancy, the employee shall be subject to the layoff provisions (including bumping rights) of the collective bargaining agreement or plan applicable to the former class and/or agency, to the extent applicable.

Chapter 8 – Employee Development and Career Advancement

Position Descriptions and Performance Standards.

Every new employee shall be provided with a position description and performance standards or objectives which accurately reflect their duties and the expectations of the Appointing Authority. A permanent employee's position description and standards of performance shall be reviewed with the employee at least once per year and, if necessary, rewritten after the employee's annual appraisal or whenever there is a substantial change in duties and at least every three (3) years.

Performance Appraisal.

A probationary employee shall receive a performance counseling review at the midpoint and end of the probationary period. Performance appraisals for permanent status employees shall be conducted at least once per year and are encouraged on a more frequent basis. Upon request, an employee shall receive a copy of a written appraisal and shall have the opportunity to review and comment in writing on the performance rating and to sign the appraisal as indication of having read the appraisal, participated in the performance appraisal process, and had the opportunity to comment. Performance ratings may be appealed to the Appointing Authority as provided by Administrative Procedure 20.

Individual Development Planning.

As a part of the performance appraisal, the employee shall be notified of any gaps between current levels of performance and those required for satisfactory performance. The employee shall also be given an opportunity to explore with the supervisor any perceived developmental needs or interests to improve performance in the current job or to expand capability to achieve higher levels of responsibility within the agency and State service. The employee and supervisor shall complete an Individual Development Plan which states the agreed upon needs, indicates priorities for the needs, and suggests means to respond to those needs. The plan shall be reviewed and updated at the time of the annual performance review and shall be monitored during the appraisal period.

The supervisor and the Appointing Authority shall make a reasonable effort to provide the agreed upon assistance to help the employee address their developmental needs including, at the discretion of the Appointing Authority, release time and/or payment for enrollment in State-sponsored or approved training courses and enrollment in seminars and courses at educational institutions in accord with Administrative Procedure 21.

Required Training.

Training and education may be necessary to meet the goals of State agencies to have employees function appropriately in their positions and to prepare employees to accept expanded responsibilities. Employees who are required by their Appointing Authorities to participate in training programs shall be released from their work assignments and shall be paid for their normal hours of work.

All Other Training.

An employee may request to attend a specific training activity. If, in the judgment of the Appointing Authority, the requested course, workshop, conference, or seminar will better prepare an employee to perform their current or projected responsibilities and if staffing needs and budgetary resources permit, the Appointing Authority may approve the employee's request for training and provide release time and/or reimbursement in accord with Administrative Procedure

21 and Chapter 15. An employee must successfully complete the training to be eligible for reimbursement. Expenses incurred shall be reimbursed in accord with Chapter 15. With the prior approval of the Appointing Authority, an employee required to attend continuing education courses in order to maintain professional licensure necessary to their State employment may be released from work to attend courses determined to be relevant to the job.

Membership in Professional Organizations.

In each fiscal year, the Appointing Authority may authorize payment for an employee of full or partial costs of membership dues paid to professional organizations related to the employee's job provided that the organization offering the membership does not directly influence agency policies, exist primarily for social reasons, have as its primary purpose the advancement of individual employee interests, or restrict membership on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, or age. The employee may attend meetings and seminars of professional organizations during work hours if the amount of time required is reasonable, the Appointing Authority approves such attendance as related to the work assignment, and staffing requirements permit. The employee may hold office in professional organizations if they receive no stipend or direct payment other than expense reimbursement from the organizations.

Subscriptions.

An Appointing Authority may authorize payment for the cost of an employee's individual subscriptions to magazines or other professional publications provided that the publications meet organizational needs.

Reclassification Requests.

An employee who believes that their position is inappropriately classified may request a review of the position by their human resources office, unless the office does not possess delegation of authority for reclassifications. In those situations, the request shall be submitted to Minnesota Management and Budget and shall include:

- A current position description signed by the appropriate parties;
- A current organization chart identifying the position in relation to others in the unit and agency;
- An explanation of the changes which have taken place in the position over what period of time; and
- A "supervisory status questionnaire" if the position provides supervision or leadwork direction to other employees.

The employee shall be notified within a reasonable period of time of the decision regarding the reclassification request and of the opportunity to appeal that decision. If the position is to be reclassified, the employee shall be notified of whether the reclassification is determined to be a reallocation or a change in allocation and of the effects of the decision on the incumbent.

Effects of Change in Allocation.

If a position is changed in allocation, it shall be considered vacant and filled in accord with law, rules, Administrative Procedures, and this Plan within a reasonable period of time. The incumbent shall be notified of the selection process used for the purpose of filling the position in the new class. The employee shall be permitted to remain in the position until action to fill the position is

completed. If the employee is not appointed to the vacant position, they shall be subject to the layoff provisions of Chapter 10.

Effects of Reallocation.

If a position is reallocated, the incumbent shall be promoted under the provisions of M.S. 43A.15, subdivision 5, or transferred or demoted under the provisions of M.S. 43A.15, subdivision 6, provided that the employee possesses any required license, certificate or registration. If the reallocation results in the demotion of the incumbent, the employee's name shall be placed on the Agency and Class Layoff Lists in accord with the provisions of Chapter 10 for the class from which they were reallocated. If the employee does not possess any required license, certificate or registration, they shall be subject to the layoff provisions of Chapter 10 and the position shall be filled in accord with law, rules, Administrative Procedures and this Plan.

Opportunities for New Jobs within an Agency.

Each Appointing Authority shall establish procedures to inform employees covered by this Plan (except insufficient work time employees) of vacancies within the agency in positions covered by this Plan and of the way to express interest or obtain further information.

The Appointing Authority shall also inform employees of any procedures for obtaining information about vacancies within the agency in positions covered by collective bargaining agreements or other plans so that interested employees may notify the Appointing Authority of their interest and receive appointment consideration consistent with provisions of law, rules, Administrative Procedures, and the appropriate collective bargaining agreements or plans.

Opportunities for New Jobs in Other Agencies.

When a position covered by this Plan will not be filled from among agency employees, the Appointing Authority shall make reasonable efforts to provide employees covered by this Plan in other agencies with information about the position for possible transfer, demotion, or promotion. Employees may obtain information by reviewing the list of vacancies available on the State's employment website. An employee interested in changing jobs through transfer or a change of employment condition to a position in the same class but in a different agency may apply directly to the Appointing Authority where the vacancy occurs.

Interchange Assignments.

To broaden their work experiences and expand their prospects for State jobs, employees may participate in inter-agency, inter-jurisdictional, or private-public assignments. Such interchange assignments must be approved by the current and new Appointing Authorities and must be consistent with provisions of M.S. 15.51-15.59 and Administrative Procedure 1.1.

Chapter 9 – Limited Interruptions of Work and Permanent Non-Disciplinary Separations

Limited Interruptions of Work.

An employee may have their employment interrupted, or normal work hours reduced, for a period, not in excess of two (2) consecutive calendar weeks because of adverse weather conditions, shortage of material or equipment, or other unexpected or unusual reasons. This interruption of employment shall not be considered a layoff.

Upon request during limited interruptions of employment, employees shall be allowed to use accumulated vacation leave or compensatory time in order to provide them with up to their regularly scheduled number of hours of earnings for a pay period.

The Appointing Authority may approve requests from employees to receive an advance of hours to provide them with up to their regularly scheduled number of hours of earnings for a pay period. If approved, the advance may not exceed the employee's accumulated and unused vacation leave. Employees who elect to draw such advances may not reduce their vacation accumulation below the total hours advanced. With supervisory approval, the employee may make up the hours advanced. In the payroll period ending closest to November 1 of each year, all employees who received advances and have not made up the total hours advanced, shall have the remaining hours subtracted from their vacation accumulation.

Resignations.

An employee may resign in good standing by providing the Appointing Authority with at least two (2) weeks advance written notice.

Termination of Unclassified Appointment.

The appointment of a employee to an unclassified position (other than a supervisory position in the State Patrol or other unclassified position for which statute requires removal only for cause) may be ended at any time at the discretion of the Appointing Authority, and that employee shall have no further rights to State employment. However, an employee on an approved unclassified service leave of absence may return to a position in the classified service as provided in Chapter 6. Ending an unclassified appointment does not constitute a demotion or discharge for the purposes of Chapter 11, and is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure of Chapter 12.

Termination of Temporary, Emergency or Provisional Appointment.

An employee working in a temporary, emergency or provisional appointment may be terminated at any time at the discretion of the Appointing Authority and shall have no further rights to State employment unless, in the case of a provisional appointment, the provisional employee has the right to return to the previously held class. Termination of a temporary, emergency, or provisional appointment does not constitute a demotion or discharge for the purposes of Chapter 11, and is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure of Chapter 12.

Chapter 10 – Seniority, Layoff and Recall

Application of Seniority.

All employees working in unlimited appointments in classified positions covered by this Plan shall accrue seniority as outlined below to be applied by the Appointing Authority in determining their relative positions for retention when a layoff occurs. Upon an employee's request, an Appointing Authority shall provide the employee with full information regarding their seniority.

Computation of Seniority.

Seniority shall be calculated by class and shall include:

- All time since the last date of appointment to unlimited status in the class through appointment from the selection process or appointment in accord with M.S. 43A.15, subdivisions 4 - 15.

- All time served in unlimited classified appointments in higher or comparably paid positions determined by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget to be related to the current class provided that the employee has not had a break in employment; except that for employees whose positions are reallocated to a lower or equal class after January 1, 1980, seniority shall include service in the class from which they were reallocated regardless of whether or not the higher or equal class is related to the class to which reallocated.
- All time during which an employee is in layoff status or is on an approved leave of absence provided the employee returns to State service upon recall or expiration of an approved leave.

For employees returning to this Plan through outside layoff, time in higher or comparably paid positions under another plan or collective bargaining agreement will not be included in seniority until the employee returns to a position under this Plan. The employee may use only seniority previously accrued under this Plan to bump into a Commissioner's Plan position from a position under another plan or collective bargaining agreement.

Ties in Seniority.

When two (2) or more employees have equal seniority based on the above computation, ties shall be broken in favor of the employee with the highest most recent annual performance rating and, if a tie still exists, in favor of the employee with the longest length of continuous employment with the State since the last date of hire.

Determination of Qualifications.

Either an Appointing Authority with selection authority delegated by Minnesota Management and Budget, or Minnesota Management and Budget, will determine whether an employee is position-qualified to exercise any of the position-filling provisions of this Chapter. The qualification determination is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure of Chapter 12.

Layoff.

A permanent classified employee may be laid off because of abolition of the employee's position, shortage of work or funding, a management-imposed reduction in a full-time employee's normal work hours which continues longer than two (2) consecutive weeks, ineligibility for appointment to a reclassified position, or other reasons outside the employee's control. Any employee who has voluntarily requested and received Appointing Authority approval to reduce their work hours shall not be considered to have been laid off.

In the event that it becomes necessary for an Appointing Authority to abolish one or more unlimited full-time positions, the Appointing Authority shall act to minimize the necessity for layoff and the effects of layoff on individual employees by first consulting with employees covered by this Plan to explore interest in reducing hours, sharing jobs, or any other action (consistent with law, rules, Administrative Procedures, and this Plan) which may avert a layoff.

Emergency Layoff.

Employees may be placed on emergency layoff if it is deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget. Emergency layoff may be declared for events that include but are not limited to: a natural disaster, epidemic, national security emergency, nuclear

emergency or fiscal exigency. During periods of emergency layoff, the Employer may continue to provide the Employer's portion of insurance premiums.

Once the emergency requiring layoff has resolved, permanent classified employees placed on emergency layoff shall be recalled to the position from which they were laid off. For probationary classified employees and unclassified employees placed on emergency layoff, such employees may be recalled to the position from which they were laid off unless the Appointing Authority terminates the employee's appointment.

The procedures for seasonal and permanent layoff (specified below) are not applicable to emergency layoff.

Procedures for Seasonal Layoff of Seasonal Employees and for Permanent Layoff of Insufficient Work Time Employees.

- Step 1: The Appointing Authority shall determine the class, employment condition, and principal place of employment where a position is to be eliminated and shall identify the employee with the least continuous State employment in that class, employment condition, and principal place of employment.

- Step 2: The Appointing Authority shall notify the affected employee in writing at least one week prior to the effective date of the layoff. The notice shall state the reason for the layoff, the effective date of the layoff, and the estimated length of the layoff period. For permanent layoff, it shall also state, or offer the employee the opportunity to discuss with the Appointing Authority, the options available to the employee in lieu of layoff.

- Step 3: An employee notified of permanent layoff may choose to:
 - Option 1: Accept the layoff.

 - Option 2: Accept a vacancy offered by the Appointing Authority in any comparable or lower class for which the employee is determined qualified.

 - Option 3: Bump the employee with the least continuous State employment in the same employment condition and principal place of employment in any comparable or lower class in which the employee previously served in order of previous service, provided that the employee must accept a vacancy in the same class before bumping and must have greater continuous State employment than the employee who is to be bumped.

Procedures for Permanent Classified Employees and for Permanent Layoff of Seasonal Employees.

- Step 1: The Appointing Authority shall determine which position is to be eliminated.

- Step 2: To avert a layoff, the Appointing Authority shall reassign the employee occupying the position to be eliminated to any vacancy the Appointing Authority determines to fill in the same class, agency, and employment condition and within thirty-five (35) miles of the position which is to be eliminated unless the employee is

determined to be not qualified. The Appointing Authority shall terminate any provisional employee working in an unlimited position covered by this Plan in the class, agency and employment condition within thirty-five (35) miles of the position which is being eliminated and shall reassign the employee whose position has been abolished to the resultant vacancy before effecting a layoff.

Step 3: If a layoff cannot be averted through the reassignment procedures of Step 2, the Appointing Authority shall notify the incumbent of the position to be eliminated in writing at least three (3) weeks prior to the effective date of a layoff. The notice shall state the reasons for the layoff action, the effective date of the layoff, and the estimated length of the layoff period. It shall also state or offer the employee the opportunity to discuss with the Appointing Authority, the options available to the employee in lieu of layoff. The Appointing Authority may establish a date, no more than one (1) week prior to the effective date of the layoff, by which employees must choose the layoff option they will exercise. This date shall be indicated in the written notice of the layoff. At the Appointing Authority's discretion, an employee on notice of permanent layoff may be granted transition leave as provided in Chapter 6. An Appointing Authority is encouraged to notify all other employees who potentially may be bumped as a result of the elimination of this position.

Step 4: An employee notified of layoff shall have the options described below. Except for Option 6, employees may only bump within the same employment condition but may be offered vacancies in a different employment condition. However, an employee's refusal to accept a vacancy in a different employment condition shall not result in the forfeiture of other layoff options. Before bumping another employee, the employee must accept a vacancy in the same class, and employment condition if the vacancy is within thirty-five (35) miles of the employee's current work location. Any employee choosing to bump another employee must have served in the class with permanent or probationary classified status and must have greater class seniority than the employee who is bumped. Employees being laid off from the Office and Administrative Specialist, Customer Service Specialist, and Central Services Administrative Specialist series shall be permitted to bump into lower levels in the same class series, even if they have no previous service at that level. Seniority for such bumps shall be the seniority accrued in higher classes within the same series.

The employee may:

Option 1: Accept the layoff.

Option 2: Unless determined to be not qualified for the affected position, choose to bump the least senior employee within thirty-five (35) miles who is in the same agency and who is in:

- a. The same class and employment condition; or if the same class is not available,
- b. Any comparable or lower class in which the employee previously served in order of previous service.

- Option 3: Accept a vacancy in the same agency, same or different employment condition and the same class or any comparable or lower class for which the employee is determined qualified.
- Option 4: Accept a reduction in hours offered by the Appointing Authority in the same agency and the same class or any comparable or lower class for which the employee is determined qualified.
- Option 5: Bump the least senior employee in the same agency and employment condition in the same class or any comparable or lower class in which the employee previously served in order of previous service (i.e., with no geographic limits) unless determined to be not qualified.
- Option 6: Unless determined to be not qualified for the position, an unlimited full-time employee may bump the least senior employee in the unlimited part-time employment condition and an unlimited part-time employee may bump the least senior employee in the unlimited full-time employment condition in the same agency and the same class within thirty-five (35) miles. An employee may not exercise this option if Option 2(a) is available or if there is a vacancy in the same agency and same employment condition within thirty-five (35) miles in the same or a comparable class for which the employee is determined qualified.
- Option 7: Claiming: Accept a transfer or demotion to a non-temporary, classified vacancy in a different agency in the same class or in a comparable or lower class unless determined to be not qualified. The Appointing Authority for the new agency shall not unreasonably deny a request for a transfer or demotion which would avert layoff. However, the Appointing Authority may deny such a request if the vacancy will be filled by the transfer or demotion of a qualified employee of the new agency, who is on notice of permanent layoff. The employee may not request a transfer or demotion to another agency if a vacancy has been offered in the employee's current agency in a comparable or higher class in the same or a greater employment condition within thirty-five (35) miles of the same geographic location.

Eligibility for claiming begins on the date of the written notice of layoff and continues for forty-five (45) calendar days or until the date of layoff, whichever is later. If the claiming period extends beyond the date of layoff, no severance or vacation liquidation shall be paid and the employee's name shall not be placed on any layoff lists until the end of the claiming period. Employees may waive their post-layoff date claiming rights and the Appointing Authority shall authorize payment of any severance or vacation liquidation and the employee will be eligible for placement on appropriate layoff lists.

- Option 8: At the Appointing Authority's discretion, the Appointing Authority may offer retirement-eligible permanent classified employees the early retirement incentive detailed in Chapter 21 in exchange for the

employee's agreement to relinquish all bumping and claiming rights for which the manager would otherwise be eligible for pursuant to Options 1-7 as detailed above.

Return Through Outside Layoff.

If the following conditions are met, the Appointing Authority shall allow an agency employee to return to a position covered by this Plan:

- The employee previously had permanent classified status in a position (other than an insufficient work time position) covered by this Plan; and
- The employee currently has permanent classified status in a higher or equal class; and
- The employee has received notice of permanent layoff and has exhausted all vacancy and bumping options available under the layoff provisions of the plan or collective bargaining agreement covering them for purposes of layoff; and
- That plan or collective bargaining agreement includes a provision allowing the return of employees laid off under the Commissioner's Plan.

If all of these are met, the Appointing Authority shall allow the employee to exercise Options 1-6 in Step 4 of the permanent layoff procedure, under the conditions specified there. In addition, before bumping another employee, the employee must accept a vacancy in an equal class for which the Employer has determined them qualified, within thirty-five (35) miles of the employee's current work location and employment condition. Also see "Computation of Seniority" for information on calculating the employee's seniority for bumping.

Layoff Lists.

Names of insufficient work time or probationary employees who have been laid off, accepted demotions in lieu of layoff, or been demoted to positions reallocated downward and names of employees on seasonal off shall be placed on an Agency Layoff List in order of continuous State employment for the class, agency, employment condition, and principal place of employment from which they were laid off. Names shall remain on the list for one (1) year or for a period of time equal to the employee's continuous State employment to a maximum of three (3) years unless removed under the provisions of this Chapter.

Other permanent employees who have been laid off, accepted demotions or lesser employment conditions in lieu of layoff, or been demoted to positions reallocated downward shall have their names placed on the Agency Layoff List in order of seniority for the class, agency, employment condition, and geographic location from which they were laid off or demoted. These employees may request in writing, on forms provided by the Appointing Authority, that their names be placed on the Class Layoff List for the class and for other equal or lower classes in which they had permanent or probationary status. These employees may indicate in writing, locations and employment conditions for which they are available and may change their availabilities by notifying the department in writing. Names shall remain on the Agency and Class Layoff Lists for one (1) year or for a period of time equal to the employee's length of continuous State employment to a maximum of five (5) years unless removed under the provisions of this Chapter.

Recall.

Employees on seasonal off and insufficient work time employees shall be recalled to positions in the agency, class, employment condition and principal place of employment from which they were laid off in the order in which their names appear on the Agency Layoff List.

Permanent employees shall be recalled to positions which match their availabilities in the class and agency from which they were laid off in the order in which their names appear on the Agency Layoff List unless the employee is determined to be not qualified for the position. Prior to recalling from the Agency Layoff List, the Appointing Authority may choose to fill the vacancy by transferring or demoting a qualified employee of the agency who is on notice of permanent layoff. In the absence of an Agency Layoff List, the Appointing Authority shall consider employees on the Class Layoff List and may appoint no one other than a current civil service employee if there are employees on a Class Layoff List who are qualified for the position.

Removal from Layoff List.

The names of employees shall be removed from the Agency and Class Layoff Lists for any of the following reasons:

- Failure to accept recall to a position which meets the availabilities specified by the employee.
- Unlimited appointment to a classified position in a class comparable to or higher than, and with the same or greater employment conditions as, the one from which the employee was laid off or demoted. An employee who is non-certified in such a position may request that their name be restored to the layoff list(s) for the time remaining. Requests may be made in writing to the Department of Minnesota Management and Budget.
- Expiration of the term of eligibility specified above.
- Separation from State service.

Chapter 11 – Disciplinary Action

Administration of Discipline.

An Appointing Authority shall make reasonable effort to discuss with the employee any performance problem which may lead to disciplinary action and to assist the employee in eliminating problem areas before disciplinary action becomes necessary. In the case of a permanent status employee, disciplinary action may be taken only for just cause as provided in M.S. 43A.33, subdivision 2, which shall include failure to maintain any license required in the position.

Employees with permanent status are those in the classified service who have successfully completed an initial (or extended) probationary period or a probationary period requirement following reinstatement, or whose probationary period is waived through specific statutory direction. “Permanent status” does not include an employee while they are serving in the unclassified service, even if they are on unclassified service leave from a classified position for which they have permanent status. Employees on unclassified service leave may have return rights as described in Chapters 6 and 9.

Non-certification during an initial (or extended) or subsequent probationary appointment does not constitute discipline. Termination of an unclassified, temporary, emergency or provisional appointment does not constitute discipline.

Refer to Chapter 7 (Probationary Period) for termination of employees serving a probationary period and Chapter 9 (Limited Interruptions of Work and Permanent Non-Disciplinary Separations) for termination of employees in unclassified, temporary, emergency or provisional appointments.

For employees with permanent status, discipline may include, in any order, only the following: oral reprimand, written reprimand, suspension with or without pay, deduction from vacation in lieu of suspension, demotion, and/or discharge.

For employees who do not have permanent status, discipline may include any of the preceding, except discharge; employees without permanent status may be terminated at any time and none of the provisions related to demotion or discharge shall apply to their termination.

Representation:

Employees in this Plan may have a co-worker present during an investigatory interview of the employee that may lead to discipline of the employee.

Forms of Discipline:

- A. **Oral Reprimand.** An oral reprimand should clearly be identified as such and should be administered in private.
- B. **Written Reprimand.** A written reprimand should be clearly identified as such, should specify reasons for the action, and should include a statement of the employee's option to appeal through Step 2 of the Dispute Resolution Procedure in Chapter 12. Changes expected and necessary to correct the deficiency should be clearly outlined.
- C. **Paid or Unpaid Suspension, Vacation Deduction or Demotion.** Generally, employees exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act should only be given an unpaid suspension for a full workweek. However, if the unpaid suspension is for violation of safety rules of major significance, for violating state or federal laws, or for violating written workplace conduct rules applicable to all agency employees, the exempt employee may be given an unpaid suspension of any number of work days. In lieu of unpaid suspension, the Appointing Authority may, at its discretion, deduct hours from the employee's accumulated vacation balances in any amount equal to the suspension. Vacation deduction in lieu of suspension can be for any number of work days and is not subject to the FLSA's requirements noted above

Paid or unpaid suspension, vacation deduction and demotion require written notice. For unpaid suspension of employees without permanent status, and for paid suspensions, written notice should be given no later than the effective date of the action. For unpaid suspension, vacation deduction in lieu of suspension or demotion of employees with permanent status, and for vacation deduction in lieu of suspension of employees without permanent status, written notice must be given no later than one (1) work day prior to the effective date of the action. The notice should include the following:

1. The nature of the disciplinary action;
2. Specific reasons for the action;
3. Effective date of the action;
4. For unpaid suspension, vacation deduction in lieu of suspension or demotion of employees with permanent status, and for vacation deduction in lieu of suspension of employees without permanent status, the notice must include a statement of the employee's right to request an opportunity to hear an explanation of the evidence against them, and to present their side of the story while still in pay status, and notice that this right expires at the end of

the next scheduled day of work after the notice of discipline is delivered unless the employee and the Appointing Authority agree otherwise. If the employee was not in pay status at the time of the notice, the requirement to be in pay status does not apply;

5. Statement of the employee's option to reply in writing to the Appointing Authority or designee their response to the disciplinary action regardless of whether the employee chooses to exercise their rights in (4) above (if applicable); and
 - a. In the case of an employee with permanent status, a statement of the employee's option to appeal the disciplinary action as provided in Chapter 12, Dispute Resolution Procedure, and for unpaid suspension, vacation deduction or demotion, the notice must also include a statement of the permanent status employee's right to appeal to the Bureau of Mediation Services within thirty (30) calendar days following the effective date of the disciplinary action, as provided in M.S. 43A.33, subd. 3;
 - b. In the case of all other employees, a statement of the employee's option to appeal as provided in the Dispute Resolution Procedure described in Chapter 12.

A copy of the notice and the employee's written reply, if any, shall be filed by the Appointing Authority with the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget within ten (10) calendar days of the effective date of discipline.

D. **Discharge of Employee with Permanent Status.** Discharge requires a written notice, no later than one (1) work day prior to effective date of discharge. The notice of discharge must include the following:

1. Nature of the disciplinary action;
2. Specific reasons for the action;
3. Effective date of the action;
4. Statement of the employee's right to request a meeting to hear an explanation of the evidence against them and present their side of the story while still in pay status, and notice that this right expires at the end of the next scheduled day of work after the notice of discharge is delivered unless the employee and the Appointing Authority agree otherwise; if the employee was not in pay status at the time of the notice, the requirement to be in pay status does not apply;
5. Statement of the employee's option to reply in writing to the Appointing Authority or designee their response to the disciplinary action regardless of whether the employee chooses to exercise their rights in (4) above; and
6. Statement of the employee's right to appeal the discharge as provided in in Chapter 12, Dispute Resolution Procedure, and to the Bureau of Mediation Services within thirty (30) calendar days following the effective date of the disciplinary action, as provided in M.S. 43A.33, subd.3.

A copy of the notice and the employee's reply, if any, shall be filed by the Appointing Authority with the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget within ten (10) calendar days of effective date of discipline.

Investigatory Leave.

The Appointing Authority/designee may place an employee who is the subject of a disciplinary investigation on an investigatory leave with pay provided a reasonable basis exists to warrant such leave.

Personnel Records.

An employee disciplined under the provisions of this Chapter may submit a written statement regarding the disciplinary action which will be placed in the employee's personnel record. At the request of the employee, a written reprimand or written record of a suspension of ten (10) days or less (or equivalent deduction from vacation) shall be removed from the employee's personnel record provided that no further disciplinary action has been taken against the employee for a period of two (2) years following the date of the written reprimand or three (3) years following the date of the suspension or deduction from vacation.

Chapter 12 – Resolution of Disputes

Application.

This Chapter covers resolution of disputes concerning interpretation and application of this Plan, and disciplinary action as defined in Chapter 11. If an employee/former employee pursues an appeal under M.S. 197.46 (or other applicable Veterans Preference law), the employee/former employee is precluded from making an appeal under this Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Permanent Status.

Employees with permanent status are those in the classified service who have successfully completed an initial (or extended) probationary period or a probationary period requirement following reinstatement, or whose probationary period is waived through specific statutory direction. "Permanent status" does not include an employee while they are serving in the unclassified service, even if they are on unclassified service leave from a classified position for which they have permanent status. Employees on unclassified service leave may have return rights as described in Chapters 6 and 9.

Representation and Use of Work Time.

An employee may elect to be represented at their own expense at any step of the Dispute Resolution Procedure. The employee and their representative, if a State employee, shall be allowed a reasonable amount of time without loss of pay, during working hours while on the Appointing Authority's premises to research and present their view provided that the employee and the representative receive prior approval from their supervisors.

Non-Disciplinary Issues.

The Appointing Authority shall adopt procedures for resolution of disputes concerning interpretations and applications for which the Appointing Authority has discretion under this Plan. Decisions reached through such procedures are not appealable to the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget. Disputes concerning other interpretations and applications of this Plan, including disputes concerning the computation of seniority, but excluding disciplinary action are appealable only through Step 4a of the Dispute Resolution Procedure below.

Termination of Unclassified, Temporary, Emergency or Provisional Appointment.

Ending an unclassified appointment; or termination of a temporary, emergency or provisional appointment is not subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure below.

Non-Certification.

Non-certification is not appealable through the Dispute Resolution Procedure below. However, when an Appointing Authority does not certify an employee on an initial or subsequent probationary period, the employee shall have the right to a meeting with the Appointing Authority or designee to discuss the non-certification decision. Employees serving a subsequent probationary period may have return rights as described in Chapter 7.

Oral Reprimands.

Oral reprimands are not appealable.

Written Reprimands.

Written reprimands may be appealed only through Step 3 of the Dispute Resolution Procedure below.

Paid Suspension.

Paid suspensions may be appealed only through Step 3 of the Dispute Resolution Procedure Below.

Suspension, Vacation Deduction in lieu of Suspension, Demotion.

Employees without permanent status may appeal suspensions, vacation deduction in lieu of suspension, and demotions (other than one resulting from non-certification or termination of an unclassified, temporary, emergency or provisional appointment) through Step 4a of the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Employees with permanent status may appeal paid suspensions through Step 4a of the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Employees with permanent status may appeal unpaid suspensions, vacation deductions in lieu of suspension and demotions through Step 4b of the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

If an employee with permanent status appeals an unpaid suspension, vacation deduction in lieu of suspension or demotion under the provisions of M.S. 43A.33, subdivision 3, any appeal at Step 1 through Step 4a is discontinued and waived.

Discharge.

Employees with permanent status may appeal a discharge through Step 4b of the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

If an employee with permanent status appeals a discharge under the provisions of M.S. 43A.33, subdivision 3, any appeal at step 1 through 4a is discontinued and waived.

Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Disputes shall be resolved in accord with the following steps, however, at any step the parties may, by mutual agreement, attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation.

Step 1: Within fourteen (14) calendar days after the employee should have had knowledge of the event leading to the dispute, the employee shall present to their supervisor in writing the nature of the dispute, the facts upon which it is based, and the remedy requested. Within seven (7) days, the supervisor shall give a written answer to the employee.

If the dispute has not been resolved satisfactorily, the employee shall have the option of proceeding immediately to either Step 2 or Step 3, whichever the employee feels is most appropriate to the matter in dispute. The employee may appeal the decision to the agency representative at the next level of supervision (Step 2) or to the Appointing Authority or their designee (Step 3) in writing within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the supervisor's response.

Step 2: The agency representative at the next level of supervision shall meet with the employee within seven (7) calendar days following an appeal from Step 1 and shall give the employee a written answer within fourteen (14) calendar days following their meeting.

If the dispute has not been resolved, the employee may appeal the decision to the Appointing Authority or their designee (Step 3) in writing within ten (10) calendar days of the agency representative's response.

Step 3: The Appointing Authority or their designee shall meet with the employee within seven (7) calendar days following an appeal from Step 1 or Step 2 and shall give the employee a written answer within fourteen (14) calendar days following their meeting.

Step 4a: The employee may appeal the decision of the Appointing Authority or their designee in writing to the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget within seven (7) calendar days after the Appointing Authority or designee has given an answer. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget shall consider the information presented by the employee and the Appointing Authority and shall make a decision and notify the affected employee within thirty (30) calendar days. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may decide to hold a hearing to discuss the dispute. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget shall have final authority to decide whether the Appointing Authority shall settle the dispute.

Step 4b: A permanent status employee may appeal an unpaid suspension, vacation deduction in lieu of suspension, demotion (other than one resulting from non-certification or termination of an unclassified, temporary, emergency or provisional appointment) or discharge at any step of the Dispute Resolution Procedure to the Bureau of Mediation Services as provided under M.S. 43A.33, subdivision 3. An appeal to the Bureau of Mediation Services must be made within thirty (30) calendar days following the effective date of the disciplinary action. An appeal under M.S. 43A.33, subd. 3 automatically discontinues and waives any appeal at Step 1 through 4a.

Time Limits.

If a dispute is not presented within the time limit set forth in any of the steps above, it shall be considered waived. If a dispute is not appealed to the next step within the time limit specified, it shall be considered to be resolved on the basis of the last answer. If no response is made within a specified time limit, the employee may elect to treat the dispute as denied at that step and may appeal to the next step. Time limits on each step may only be extended by mutual written agreement of the parties involved.

Authorization of Payment.

Any resolution of a dispute that results in a payment to an employee must be approved by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget as provided in M.S. 43A.04, subdivision 6.

Chapter 13 – Insurance

Section 1. State Employee Group Insurance Program (SEGIP).

During the life of this Plan, Minnesota Management and Budget shall provide a Group Insurance Program that includes health, dental, life, vision, and disability coverages equivalent to existing coverages, subject to the provisions of this Chapter. This Chapter is effective January 1, 2024. After December 31, 2025, except for the requirement to offer a high deductible health plan, the provisions of this Chapter are superseded and replaced by insurance benefits as collectively bargained between the State and participating labor unions and approved for at least one 2025 – 2026 collective bargaining agreement, by either the Subcommittee on Employee Relations (SER) or the full legislature.

All insurance eligible employees will be provided access to an electronic summary of benefits (SOB) or certificate of coverage (COC) for each insurance product. These documents shall be provided no less than biennially and prior to the beginning of the insurance year.

Section 2. Eligibility for Group Participation.

This section describes eligibility to participate in the Group Insurance Program.

- A. **Employees - Basic Eligibility.** Employees may participate in the Group Insurance Program if they are scheduled to work at least one thousand forty-four (1044) hours in any twelve (12) consecutive months, except for: (1) emergency, or temporary classified, or intermittent employees; (2) student workers; and (3) interns.
- B. **Employees - Special Eligibility.** The following employees are also eligible to participate in the Group Insurance Program:
 1. **Employees with a Work-related Injury/Disability.** An employee who was off the State payroll due to a work-related injury or a work-related disability may continue to participate in the Group Insurance Program as long as such an employee receives workers' compensation payments or while the workers' compensation claim is pending.
 2. **Totally Disabled Employees.** Consistent with M.S. 62A.148, certain totally disabled employees may continue to participate in the Group Insurance Program.
 3. **Separated Employees Under M.S. 43A.27.** Pursuant to M.S. 43A.27, Subdivision 3a(1), an employee who separates or retires from State service and who, at the time of separation has five (5) or more years of allowable pension service and is entitled to immediately receive an annuity under a State retirement program and, who is not eligible for regular (non-disability) Medicare coverage, may continue to participate in the health and dental coverages offered through the Group Insurance Program.

Consistent with M.S. 43A.27, subdivision 3a(2), an employee who separates or retires from State service and who, at the time of separation is at least fifty (50) years of age and at least fifteen (15) years of State service may continue to participate in the health and dental coverages offered through the Group Insurance Program. Retiree coverage must be coordinated with Medicare.

- C. **Dependents.** Eligible dependents for the purposes of this Chapter are as follows:

1. **Spouse.** The spouse of an eligible employee (if legally married under Minnesota law). For the purpose of health insurance coverage, if that spouse works full-time for an organization employing more than one hundred (100) people and
 - a. elects to receive either credits or cash in place of health insurance or health coverage or towards some other benefit in place of health insurance, then they are not eligible for the comparable coverage or insurance under this Article; or
 - b. is enrolled in a high deductible medical insurance plan (as defined by the IRS) that includes a contribution to a health care savings account (HSA) through their employing organization, then they are not eligible for medical coverage under this Article.

When both spouses work for the State or another organization participating in the State Employee Group Insurance Program, a spouse may be covered as a dependent by the other but when covered as a dependent they may not carry their own coverage (members may only be covered once).

2. **Children.**

- a. Health and Dental Coverage. A dependent child is an eligible employee's child to age twenty-six (26).
- b. Dependent Child. A "dependent child" includes an employee's (1) biological child, (2) child legally adopted by or placed for adoption with the employee, (3) step-child, and (4) foster child who has been placed with the employee by an authorized placement agency or by a judgment, decree, or other court order. For a step-child to be considered a dependent child, the employee must be legally married to the child's legal parent or legal guardian. An employee (or the employee's spouse or jointly) must have permanent, full and sole legal and physical custody of the foster child.
- c. Coverage Under Only One Plan. For purposes of (a) and (b) above, if the employee's adult child (age 18 to 26) works for the State or another organization participating in the State's Group Insurance Program, the child may not be covered as a dependent by the employee unless the child is not eligible for a full Employer Contribution as defined in Section 3A.

Effective January 1, 2015 for purposes of (a) and (b) above, if the employee's adult child (age 18 to 26) works for the State or another organization participating in the State's Group Insurance Program, the child may be covered as a dependent by the employee.

3. **Grandchildren.** A dependent grandchild is an eligible employee's unmarried dependent grandchild who:
 - a. Is financially dependent upon the employee for principal support and maintenance and has resided with the employee continuously from birth, or
 - b. Resides with the employee and is dependent upon the employee for principal support and maintenance and is the child of the employee's unmarried child (the parent) to age nineteen (19).

If a grandchild is legally adopted or placed in the legal custody of the grandparent, they are covered as a dependent child under Section 2C (2) and (4).

4. **Child with a Disability.** A dependent child with a disability is an eligible employee's child or grandchild regardless of marital status, who was covered and then disabled prior to the limiting age or any other limiting term required for dependent coverage and who continues to be incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of developmental disability, mental illness or disorder, or physical disability, and is chiefly dependent upon the employee for support and maintenance, provided proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the health carrier by the employee or enrollee within thirty one (31) days of the child's attainment of the limiting age or any other limiting term required for dependent coverage. The dependent with a disability is eligible to continue coverage as long as they continue to be disabled and dependent, unless coverage terminates under the contract.
 5. **Qualified Medical Child Support Order.** A child who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements and is required to be covered by a Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMCSO) is considered an eligible dependent.
 6. **Child Coverage Limited to Coverage Under One Employee.** If both spouses work for the State or another organization participating in the State's Group Insurance Program, either spouse, but not both, may cover the eligible dependent children or grandchildren. This restriction also applies to two (2) divorced, legally separated, or unmarried employees who share legal responsibility for their eligible dependent children or grandchildren. A member in the State's Group Insurance benefits may only be covered once, by one parent or guardian.
- D. **Continuation Coverage.** Consistent with state and federal laws, certain employees, former employees, dependents, and former dependents may continue group health, dental, and/or life coverage at their own expense for a fixed length of time if the group coverage would otherwise terminate due to:
- Termination of employment (except for gross misconduct);
 - Layoff;
 - Reduction of hours to an ineligible status;
 - Dependent child becoming ineligible due to change in age, student status, marital status, or financial support (in the case of a foster child or stepchild);
 - Death of employee;
 - Divorce or legal separation; or
 - A covered employee's enrollment in Medicare.

Section 3. Eligibility for Employer Contribution.

This section describes eligibility for an Employer Contribution toward the cost of coverage.

- A. **Full Employer Contribution - Basic Eligibility.** Employees covered by this Plan who are scheduled to work at least seventy-five (75) percent of the time are eligible for the full Employer Contribution. This means:
1. Employees who are scheduled to work at least eighty (80) hours per pay period for a period of nine (9) months or more in any twelve (12) consecutive months.
 2. Employees who are scheduled to work at least sixty (60) hours per pay period for twelve (12) consecutive months, but excluding part-time or seasonal employees serving on less than a seventy-five percent (75%) basis.

B. **Partial Employer Contribution - Basic Eligibility.** The following employees covered by this Plan receive the full Employer Contribution for basic life coverage, and at the employee's option, a partial Employer Contribution for health and dental coverages if they are scheduled to work at least fifty (50) percent but less than seventy-five (75) percent of the time. This means:

1. Employees who hold part-time appointments and who are scheduled to work at least forty (40) hours but less than sixty (60) hours per pay period for twelve (12) consecutive months.
2. Employees who hold part-time or seasonal appointments and who are scheduled to work at least one thousand forty-four (1044) hours over a period of any twelve (12) consecutive months.

The partial Employer Contribution for health and dental coverages is seventy-five percent (75%) of the full Employer Contribution for both employee only and dependent coverage.

C. **Special Eligibility.** The following employees also receive an Employer Contribution:

1. **Employees on Layoff.** A classified employee who receives an Employer Contribution, who has three (3) or more years of continuous service, and who has been permanently or seasonally laid off, remains eligible for an Employer Contribution and all other benefits provided under this Chapter for an extended benefit eligibility period of six (6) months from the date of layoff. In no event shall the Employer Contribution continue beyond the date at which the employee reaches the age of sixty-five (65).
2. **Seasonal Layoff.** The calculation in determining the six (6) months duration of eligibility for an Employer contribution begins on the date the employee is seasonally laid off.
3. **Permanent Layoff.** The calculation in determining the six (6) month duration of eligibility for an Employer Contribution begins on the date the employee is permanently laid off or accepts an appointment in lieu of layoff without a break in service with a lesser employer-paid insurance contribution than the employee was receiving in the appointment from which the layoff occurred and is no longer actively employed in the appointment from which the layoff occurred.

In the event the employee, while on permanent or seasonal layoff, is rehired to any state job classification with a lesser employer-paid insurance contribution than the employee is receiving under the six (6) months of insurance continuation, the employee shall continue to receive the Employer Contribution toward the employer-paid insurance for the duration of the six (6) months.

However, notwithstanding the paragraph above, in the event the employee successfully claims another state job in any agency and classification which is insurance eligible without a break in service, and is subsequently non-certified or involuntarily separated, the six (6) month duration for the Employer Contribution toward insurance benefits will begin at the time the employee is non-certified or otherwise involuntarily separated and is no longer actively employed by the Employer.

In no event shall an extended benefit eligibility period be longer than a total of six (6) months. Further, an employee must be receiving an Employer Contribution under Section 3 (A) or (B) at the time of layoff in order to be eligible for the six (6) months continuation of insurance.

4. **Work-related Injury/Disability.** An employee who receives an Employer Contribution and who is off the State payroll due to a work-related injury or a work-related disability remains

eligible for an Employer Contribution as long as such an employee receives workers' compensation payments. If such employee ceases to receive workers' compensation payments for the injury or disability and is granted a medical leave under Chapter 6, they shall be eligible for an Employer Contribution during that leave.

Maintaining Eligibility for Employer Contribution.

1. **General.** An employee who receives a full or partial Employer Contribution maintains that eligibility as long as the employee meets the Employer Contribution eligibility requirements, and appears on a State payroll for at least one (1) full working day during each payroll period. This requirement does not apply to employees who receive an Employer Contribution while on layoff as described in Section 3C1, or while eligible for workers' compensation payments as described in Section 3C2.
2. **Unpaid Leave of Absence.** If an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence, then vacation leave, compensatory time, or sick leave cannot be used for the purpose of maintaining eligibility for an Employer Contribution by keeping the employee on a State payroll for one (1) working day per pay period.
3. **School Year Employment.** If an employee is employed on the basis of a school year and such employment contemplates absences from the State payroll during the summer months or vacation periods scheduled by the Appointing Authority which occur during the regular school year, the employee shall nonetheless remain eligible for an Employer Contribution, provided that the employee appears on the regular payroll for at least one (1) working day in the payroll period immediately preceding such absences.
4. **Special Leaves.** An employee who is on an approved FMLA leave or on a salary savings leave as provided elsewhere in this plan maintains eligibility for an Employer Contribution.

Section 4. Amount of Employer Contribution.

For employees eligible for an Employer Contribution as described in Section 3, the amount of the Employer Contribution will be determined as follows beginning on January 1, 2024. The Employer Contribution amounts and rules in effect on June 30, 2025 will continue through December 31, 2025.

A. Contribution Formula - Health Coverage.

1. **Employee Coverage.** For employee health coverage, the employer contributes an amount equal to ninety-five percent (95%) of the employee-only premium of the Minnesota Advantage Health Plan (Advantage).
2. **Dependent Coverage.** For dependent health coverage for the 2024 and 2025 plan years, the employer contributes an amount equal to eighty-five percent (85%) of the dependent premium of Advantage.

B. Contribution Formula - Dental Coverage.

1. **Employee Coverage.** For employee dental coverage, the Employer contributes seventy percent (70%) of the employee premium of the dental plan. .
2. **Dependent Coverage.** For dependent dental coverage, the employer contributes an amount equal to the lesser of fifty percent (50%) of the dependent premium oof the dental plan.

- C. **Contribution Formula - Basic Life Coverage.** For employee basic life coverage and accidental death and dismemberment coverage, the Employer contributes one-hundred percent (100%) of the cost.

Section 5. Coverage Changes and Effective Dates.

A. When Coverage May Be Chosen.

1. **Newly Hired Employees.** An employee hired into an insurance eligible position must make their benefit elections by their initial effective date of coverage as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C. Insurance eligible employees will automatically be enrolled in basic life coverage. If employees eligible for a full Employer Contribution do not choose a health plan administrator and a primary care clinic by their initial effective date, and do not waive medical coverage, they will be enrolled in a Benefit Level Two clinic (or Level One, if available) that meets established access standards in the health plan with the largest number of Benefit Level One and Two clinics in the county of the employee's residence at the beginning of the insurance year. If an employee does not choose a health plan administrator and primary care clinic by their initial effective date, but was previously covered as a dependent immediately prior to their initial effective date, they will be defaulted to the plan administrator and primary care clinic in which they were previously enrolled.

Newly hired employees may waive medical coverage prior to their initial effective date if they can provide documentation to SEGIP stating that enrolling in SEGIP coverage would cause them to lose eligibility for other medical coverage currently in effect.

2. **Eligibility Changes.** Employees who become eligible for a full employer contribution must make their benefit elections within thirty (30) calendar days of becoming eligible. If employees do not choose a health plan administrator and a primary care clinic, and do not waive medical coverage within this thirty (30) day timeframe, they will be enrolled in a Benefit Level Two clinic (or Level One, if available) that meets established access standards in the health plan with the largest number of Benefit Level One and Two clinics in the county of the employee's residence at the beginning of the insurance year.

If employees who become eligible for a partial Employer Contribution choose to enroll in insurance, they must do so within thirty (30) days of becoming eligible or during open enrollment.

An employee may change their health or dental plan if the employee changes to a new permanent work or residence location, and the employee's current plan is no longer available. If the employee has family coverage and if the new residence location is outside of the current plan's service area, the employee shall be permitted to switch to a new plan administrator and new Benefit Level within thirty (30) days of the residence location change. The election change must be due to and correspond with the change in status.

An employee who receives notification of a work location change between the end of an open enrollment period and the beginning of the next insurance year, may change his/her health or dental plan within thirty (30) days of the date of the relocation under the same provisions accorded during the last open enrollment period. An employee or retiree may also change health or dental plans in any other situation in which the Employer is required by the applicable federal or state law to allow a plan change.

3. **Waiving Medical Coverage.** Employees may choose to waive medical coverage. If employees are eligible for the full employer contribution and choose to waive medical coverage an employee must submit a Waiver of Medical Coverage form and provide proof of other coverage by the end of the employee's enrollment period. If an employee does not submit the form and proof by the end of the employee's enrollment period the employee will be enrolled in medical coverage. If an employee waives medical coverage the employee can elect it again during the next Open Enrollment or midyear upon a permitted Qualified Life Event.

B. When Coverage May be Changed or Cancelled.

1. **Changes Due to a Life Event.** After the initial enrollment period and outside of any open enrollment period, an employee may elect to change health or dental coverage (including adding or canceling coverage) and any applicable employee contributions in the following situations (as long as allowed under the applicable provisions, regulations, and rules of the federal and state law in effect at the beginning of the plan year).

The request to change coverage must be consistent with a change in status that qualifies as a life event, and does not include changing health or dental plans, which may only be done under the terms of Section 5A above. Any election to add coverage must be made within thirty (30) days following the event, and any election to cancel coverage must be made within sixty (60) days following the event. (An employee and a retired employee may add dependent health or dental coverage following the birth of a child or dependent grandchild, or following the adoption of a child, without regard to the thirty (30) day limit.) These life events (for both employees and retirees) are:

- a. A change in legal marital status, including marriage, death of a spouse, divorce, legal separation and annulment.
- b. A change in number of dependents, including birth, death, adoption, and placement for adoption.
- c. A change in employment status of the employee, or the employee's or retiree's spouse or dependent, including termination or commencement of employment, a strike or lockout, a commencement of or return from an unpaid leave of absence, a change in worksite, and a change in working conditions (including changing between part-time and full-time or hourly and salaried) of the employee, the employee's or retiree's spouse or dependent which results in a change in the benefits they receive under a cafeteria plan or a health or dental plan.
- d. A dependent ceasing to satisfy eligibility requirements for coverage due to attainment of age or otherwise no longer meets the eligibility requirements under Section 2C.
- e. A change in the place of residence of the employee, retiree or their spouse, or dependent that is not in the health plan administrator's service area.
- f. Significant cost or coverage changes (including coverage curtailment and the addition of a benefit package).
- g. Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave.
- h. Judgments, decrees or orders.
- i. A change in coverage of a spouse or dependent under another plan.
- j. Open enrollment under another plan.

- k. Health Insurance and Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) special enrollment rights for new dependents and in the case of loss of other insurance coverage.
 - l. A COBRA-qualifying event.
 - m. Loss of coverage under the group health plan of a governmental or educational institution (a State's children's health insurance program, medical care program of an Indian tribal government, State health benefits risk pool, or foreign government group health plan).
 - n. Entitlement to Medicare or Medicaid.
 - o. Any other situations in which the group health or dental plan is required by the applicable federal or state law to allow a change in coverage.
2. **Canceling Dependent Coverage During Open Enrollment.** In addition to the above situations, dependent health or dependent dental coverage may also be cancelled for any reason during the open enrollment period that applies to each type of plan (as long as allowed under the applicable provisions, regulations and rules of the federal and state law in effect at the beginning of the plan year).
 3. **Canceling Employee Coverage.** A part-time employee may also cancel employee coverage within sixty (60) days of when one of the life events set forth above occurs.
 4. **Effective Date of Benefit Termination.** Medical, dental and life coverage termination will take effect on the first of the month following the loss of eligible employee or dependent status. Disability benefit coverage terminations will take effect on the day following loss of eligible employee status.
- C. **Effective Date of Coverage.**
1. **Initial Effective Date.** The initial effective date of coverage under the Group Insurance Program is the thirtieth (30th) day following the employee's first day of employment, re-hire, or reinstatement with the State. The initial effective date of coverage for an employee whose eligibility has changed is the date of the change. An employee must be actively at work on the initial effective date of coverage, except that an employee who is on paid leave on the date State-paid life insurance benefits increase is also entitled to the increased life insurance coverage. In no event shall an employee's dependent's coverage become effective before the employee's coverage. If an employee is not actively at work due to employee or dependent health status or medical disability, medical and dental coverage will still take effect. (Life and disability coverage will be delayed until the employee returns to work.)
- D. **Delay in Coverage Effective Date.**
- a. **Basic Life.** If an employee is not actively at work on the initial effective date of coverage, coverage will be effective on the first day of the employee's return to work. The effective date of a change in coverage is not delayed in the event that, on the date the coverage change would be effective, an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence or layoff.
 - b. **Medical and Dental.** If an employee is not actively at work on the initial effective date of coverage due to a reason other than hospitalization or medical disability of the employee or dependent, medical and dental coverage will be effective on the first day of the employee's return to work.

The effective date of a change in coverage is not delayed in the event that, on the date the coverage change would be effective, an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence or layoff.

- c. **Optional Life and Disability Coverages.** In order for coverage to become effective, the employee must be in active payroll status and not using sick leave on the first day following approval by the insurance company. If it is an open enrollment period, coverage may be applied for but will not become effective until the first day of the employee's return to work.

E. **Open Enrollment.**

1. **Frequency and Duration.** There shall be an open enrollment period for health coverage in each year of this Plan, and for dental coverage in the first year of this Plan. D Open enrollment periods shall last a minimum of fourteen (14) calendar days in each year of this Plan. Open enrollment changes become effective on January 1 of each year of this Plan. Subject to a timely plan settlement, Minnesota Management and Budget shall make open enrollment materials available to employees at least fourteen (14) days prior to the start of the open enrollment period.
 2. **Eligibility to Participate.** An employee eligible to participate in the State Employee Group Insurance Program, as described in Section 2A and 2B, may participate in open enrollment. In addition, a person in the following categories may, as allowed in section 5D1 above, make certain changes: (1) a former employee or dependent on continuation coverage, as described in Section 2D, may change plans or add coverage for health and/or dental plans on the same basis as active employees; and (2) an early retiree, prior to becoming eligible for Medicare, may change health and/or dental plans as agreed to for active employees, but may not add dependent coverage.
 3. **Materials for Employee Choice.** Each year prior to open enrollment, the Appointing Authority will give eligible employees the information necessary to make open enrollment selections. Employees will be provided a statement of their current coverage each year of the Plan.
- A. **Coverage Selection Prior to Retirement.** An employee who retires and is eligible to continue insurance coverage as a retiree may change their health or dental plan during the sixty (60) calendar day period immediately preceding the date of retirement. The employee may not add dependent coverage during this period. The change takes effect on the first day of the month following the date of retirement.

Section 6. Basic Coverages.

A. **Employee and Family Health Coverage.**

1. **Minnesota Advantage Health Plan (Advantage).** The health coverage portion of the State Employee Group Insurance Program is provided through the Minnesota Advantage Health Plan (Advantage), a self-insured health plan offering four (4) Benefit Level options. Provider networks and claim administration are provided by multiple plan administrators. Coverage offered through Advantage is determined by Section 6A2.
2. **Coverage Under the Minnesota Advantage Health Plan.** From July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, health coverage under the SEGIP will continue at the level in effect on June 30, 2023. Effective January 1, 2024, Advantage will cover eligible services subject to

the copayments, deductibles and coinsurance coverage limits stated. Services provided through Advantage are subject to the managed care procedures and principles, including standards of medical necessity and appropriate practice, of the plan administrators. Coverage details are provided in the Advantage Summary of Benefits.

- a. **Benefit Options.** Employees must elect a plan administrator and primary care clinic. Those elections will determine the Benefit Level through Advantage. Enrolled dependents must elect a primary care clinic that is available through the plan administrator chosen by the employee.
 - 1) **Plan Administrator.** Employees must elect a plan administrator during their initial enrollment in Advantage and may change their plan administrator election only during the annual open enrollment and when permitted under Section 5. Dependents must be enrolled through the same plan administrator as the employee.
 - 2) **Benefit Level.** The primary care clinics available through each plan administrator are assigned a Benefit Level. The Benefit Levels are outlined in the benefit chart below. Primary care clinics may be in different Benefit Levels for different plan administrators. Family members may be enrolled in clinics that are in different Benefits Levels. Employees and their dependents may change to clinics in different Benefit Levels during the annual open enrollment. Employees and their dependents may also elect to move to a clinic in a different Benefit Level within the same plan administrator by calling their plan administrator, with changes typically effective the following day. Unless the individual has a referral from their primary care clinic, there are no benefits for services received from providers in Benefit Levels that are different from that of the primary care clinic in which the individual has enrolled.
 - 3) **Primary Care Clinic.** Employees and each of their covered dependents must individually elect a primary care clinic within the network of providers offered by the plan administrator chosen by the employee. Employees and their dependents may elect to change clinics within their clinic’s Benefit Level as often as the plan administrator permits and as outlined above.
 - 4) **Advantage Benefit Chart for Services Incurred During Plan Years 2024 and 2025.**

<u>2024 and 2025 Benefit Provision</u>	<u>Benefit Level 1 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 2 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 3 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 4 The member pays:</u>
Deductible for all services except drugs and preventive care (S/F)	\$250/ \$500	\$400/ \$800	\$750/ \$1,500	\$1,500/ \$3,000
Office visit copay/ urgent care (copay waived for preventive services)	\$35	\$40	\$70	\$90

<u>2024 and 2025 Benefit Provision</u>	<u>Benefit Level 1 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 2 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 3 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 4 The member pays:</u>
Mental health office visit copay	\$0 no subject to the Deductible	\$0 no subject to the deductible	\$50	\$70
In-Network Convenience Clinics and Online Care (deductible waived)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Emergency room copay	\$100 not subject to the Deductible	\$125 not subject to the Deductible	\$150 not subject to the Deductible	\$350 not subject to the Deductible Coinsurance to OOP maximum
Facility copays Per inpatient admission (waived for admission to Center of Excellence) Per outpatient surgery	\$100 \$60	\$200 \$120	\$500 \$250	N/A – subject to Deductible and 25% Coinsurance to OOP maximum
Coinsurance for MRI/CT scan services	10%	15%	25%	N/A – subject to Deductible and 30% Coinsurance to OOP maximum
Coinsurance for services <u>NOT</u> subject to copays	5% (95% coverage after payment of deductible)	5% (95% coverage after payment of deductible)	20% (80% coverage after payment of deductible)	25% for all services to OOP maximum after deductible

<u>2024 and 2025 Benefit Provision</u>	<u>Benefit Level 1 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 2 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 3 The member pays:</u>	<u>Benefit Level 4 The member pays:</u>
Coinsurance for lab, pathology and X-ray (not included as part of preventive care and not subject to office visit or facility copayments)	10% (90% coverage after payment of deductible)	10% (90% coverage after payment of deductible)	20% (80% coverage after payment of deductible)	25% for all services to OOP maximum after deductible
Coinsurance for durable medical equipment	20% (80% coverage after payment of 20% coinsurance)	20% (80% coverage after payment of 20% coinsurance)	20% (80% coverage after payment of 20% coinsurance)	25% for all services to OOP maximum after deductible
Copay for three-tier prescription drug plan	Tier 1: \$18 Tier 2: \$30 Tier 3: \$55	Tier 1: \$18 Tier 2: \$30 Tier 3: \$55	Tier 1: \$18 Tier 2: \$30 Tier 3: \$55	Tier 1: \$18 Tier 2: \$30 Tier 3: \$55
Maximum drug out-of-pocket limit (S/F)	\$1,050/ \$2,100	\$1,050/ \$2,100	\$1,050/ \$2,100	\$1,050/ \$2,100
Maximum non-drug out-of-pocket limit (S/F)	\$1,700/ \$3,400	\$1,700/ \$3,400	\$2,400/ \$4,800	\$3,600/ \$7,200

Incentive. Employees will receive a \$70 first-dollar credit in plan year 2024 to their individual deductible (regardless of whether the employee is enrolled in single or family coverage), conditional upon completion of qualifying activities in the well-being program by the deadline. The wellbeing incentive will sunset after 2024.

Service Area. The Minnesota Advantage Health Plan service are shall be comprised of all Minnesota counties as well as border communities, with the specific boundaries initially established by MMB and any changes thereafter mutually agreed to by the JLM.

Services received from, or authorized by, a primary care physician within the primary care clinic. Under Advantage, the health care services outlined in the benefits charts above shall be received from or authorized by a primary care physician within the primary care clinic. Preventive care, as outlined in the Summary of Benefits, is covered at one hundred percent (100%) for services received from or authorized by the primary care clinic. The primary care clinic shall be selected from approved clinics in accordance with the Advantage administrative procedures. Unless otherwise specified in 6A2, services not received from, or authorized by, a primary care physician within the primary care clinic may not be covered. Unless the individual has a referral from their primary care clinic, there are no benefits for services received from providers in Benefit Levels that are different from that of the primary care clinic in which the individual has enrolled.

b. **In-Area services not requiring referral from a primary care physician within the primary care clinic.**

1. **Routine Eye Exams.** Limited to one (1) routine examination per year for which no copay applies. Eye injury or illness at an in-network provider will be covered as an office visit based on the benefit level in which the individual is enrolled.
2. **Emergency services and urgent care.** The emergency room copay applies to all outpatient emergency visits that do not result in hospital admission within twenty-four (24) hours.
3. **Obstetrics and gynecological care.** The deductible and coinsurance for services not subject to copays applies.
4. **Mental health care and substance use disorder treatment.**
5. **Chiropractic care.**

For all services listed above apart from the urgent care and emergency care, a provider must be in-network with the member's plan administrator for the service to be covered.

c. **Prescription drugs.**

1. **Copayments and annual out-of-pocket maximums.**

For the first and second year of the contract:

Tier 1 copayment: Eighteen dollars (\$18) copayment per prescription or refill for a Tier 1 drug dispensed in a thirty (30) day supply.

Tier 2 copayment: Thirty dollars (\$30) copayment per prescription or refill for a Tier 2 drug dispensed in a thirty (30) day supply.

Tier 3 copayment: Fifty-five dollars (\$55) copayment per prescription or refill for a Tier 3 drug dispensed in a thirty (30) day supply.

Out of pocket maximum: There is an annual maximum eligible out-of-pocket expense limit for prescription drugs of one thousand and fifty dollars (\$1050) per person or two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100) per family.

2. **Insulin.** Insulin will be treated as a prescription drug subject to a separate copay for each type prescribed.
 3. **Brand Name Drugs.** If the subscriber chooses a brand name drug when a bioequivalent generic drug is available, the subscriber is required to pay the standard copayment plus the difference between the cost of the brand name drug and the generic. Amounts above the copay that an individual elects to pay for a brand name instead of a generic drug will not be credited toward the out-of-pocket maximum.
- d. **Special Service networks.** The following services must be received from special service network providers in order to be covered. All terms and conditions outlined in the Summary of Benefits apply.
1. Mental health services – inpatient or outpatient.
 2. Chemical dependency services – inpatient and outpatient.

3. Chiropractic services.
 4. Transplant coverage.
 5. Cardiac services.
 6. Home infusion therapy.
 7. Hospice.
 8. Fertility services.
- e. **Individuals whose permanent residence and principal work location are outside the State of Minnesota and outside of the Advantage Plan's service area.** If these individuals use a provider within the plan administrator's network, services will be covered at Benefit Level Two. If a national network provider is not available in their area, services will be covered at Benefit Level Two through any other provider available in their area. If a national network provider is available but not used, benefits will be covered at Benefit Level Three. All terms and conditions outlined in the Summary of Benefits will apply.
- f. **Children living with an ex-spouse outside the Advantage Plan's service area.** Covered children living with former spouses outside the Advantage Plan's service area, and enrolled under this provision as of December 31, 2003, will be covered at Benefit Level Two. If available, care must be received by providers in the plan administrator's national network. If a national network provider organization is available but not used, benefits will be covered at Benefit Level Three.
- g. **Care services received outside the Minnesota Advantage Health Plan's service area.** For covered services received by employees, former employees, and dependents outside the Advantage service area, all care that is received within the national network of the member's plan administrator will be covered at Benefit Level Three, with a separate out-of-area deductible. Urgent care and emergency care will be covered at Benefit Level Three whether or not the providers are within the member's plan administrator's national network. All other out of area care must be received within the given plan administrator's national network to be covered by the plan. Referrals are not required for care received outside the Advantage Plan's service area. **Lifetime maximums and non-prescription out-of-pocket maximums.** Coverage under Advantage is not subject to a per person lifetime maximum.
- In the first and second years of the contract, coverage under Advantage is subject to a plan year, non-prescription drug, out-of-pocket maximum of one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700) per person or three thousand four hundred dollars (\$3,400) per family for members whose primary care clinic is in Cost Level 1 or Cost Level 2; two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400) per person or four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) per family for members whose primary care clinic is in Cost Level 3; and three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) per person or seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200) per family for members whose primary care clinic is in Cost Level 4.
- h. **In-Network Convenience Clinics and Online Care.** Services received at in-network convenience clinics and online care are not subject to a copayment. First dollar deductibles are waived for convenience clinic and online care visits. (Note that

prescriptions received as a result of a visit are subject to the drug copayment and out-of-pocket maximums described above at 6A2(4)e).

3. During the 2020 plan year, the Employer shall offer a high deductible health plan as a voluntary alternative to the Minnesota Advantage Health Plan.
4. **Benefit Level Two Health Care Network Determination.** Issues regarding the health care networks for the 2022 insurance year shall be negotiated in accordance with the following procedures:
 - a. At least twelve (12) weeks prior to the open enrollment period for the 2024 insurance year, Minnesota Management and Budget shall meet and confer with the Joint Labor/Management Committee on Health Plans in an attempt to reach agreement on the Benefit Level Two health care networks.
 - b. If no agreement is reached within five (5) working days, Minnesota Management and Budget and the Joint Labor/Management Committee on behalf of all of the exclusive representatives shall submit a list of providers/provider groups in dispute to a mutually agreed upon neutral expert in health care delivery systems for final and binding resolution. The only providers/provider groups that may be submitted for resolution by this process are those for which, since the list for the 2023 insurance year was established, Benefit Level Two access has changed, or those that are intended to address specific problems caused by a reduction in Benefit Level Two access.

Absent agreement on a neutral expert, the parties shall select an arbitrator from a list of five (5) arbitrators supplied by the Bureau of Mediation Services. The parties shall flip a coin to determine who strikes first. One-half (1/2) of the fees and expenses of the neutral shall be paid by Minnesota Management and Budget and one-half (1/2) by the Exclusive Representatives. The parties shall select a neutral within five (5) working days after no agreement is reached, and a hearing shall be held within fourteen (14) working days of the selection of the neutral.
 - c. The decision of the neutral shall be issued within two (2) working days after the hearing.
5. **Coordination with Workers' Compensation.** When an employee has incurred an on-the-job injury or an on-the-job disability and has filed a claim for workers' compensation, medical costs connected with the injury or disability shall be paid by the employee's health plan, pursuant to M.S. 176.191, Subdivision 3.
6. **Health Promotion and Health Education.** Minnesota Management and Budget recognizes the value and importance of health promotion and health education programs. Such programs can assist employees and their dependents to maintain and enhance their health, and to make appropriate use of the health care system. To work toward these goals:
 - a. **Develop Programs.**
 1. **Policy.** Minnesota Management and Budget will develop and implement health promotion, health education programs, and other programs mutually agreed upon with the Joint Labor Management Committee on Health Plans, subject to the availability of resources. Each Appointing Authority will develop a health promotion and health education program consistent with the Minnesota Management and Budget policy. Upon request of any exclusive representative in an agency, the

Appointing Authority shall jointly meet and confer with the exclusive representative(s) and may include other interested exclusive representatives. Agenda items shall include but are not limited to smoking cessation, weight loss, stress management, health education/self-care, and education on related benefits provided through the health plan administrators serving state employees.

2. **Pilot Programs.** Minnesota Management and Budget may develop voluntary pilot programs to test the acceptability of various risk management programs, programs that seek to control costs, programs that streamline the delivery of services, or that enhance services to members. Incentives for participation in such programs may include improvements to the benefits outlined in this Chapter.
 - b. **Health Plan Specification.** Minnesota Management and Budget will require health plans participating in the Group Insurance Program to develop and implement health promotion and health education programs for State employees and their dependents.
 - c. **Employee Participation.** Minnesota Management and Budget will assist employees' participation in health promotion and health education programs. Health promotion and health education programs that have been endorsed by the Employer (Minnesota Management and Budget) will be considered to be non-assigned job-related training pursuant to Administrative Procedure 21. Approval for this training is at the discretion of the Appointing Authority and is contingent upon meeting staffing needs in the employee's absence and the availability of funds. Employees are eligible for release time, tuition reimbursement, or a pro rata combination of both. Employees may be reimbursed for up to one hundred percent (100%) of tuition or registration costs upon successful completion of the program. Employees may be granted release time, including the travel time, in lieu of reimbursement.
7. **Post Retirement Health Care Benefit.** Employees who separate (other than termination or discharge) from State service and who, at the time of separation are insurance eligible and entitled to immediately receive an annuity under a State retirement program shall be entitled to a contribution of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) to the Minnesota State Retirement System's (MSRS) Health Care Savings Plan. Employees who have a HCSP waiver on file shall receive a two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) cash payment. If the employee separates due to death, the two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) is paid in cash, not to the HCSP. An employee who becomes totally and permanently disabled, who receives a State disability benefit, and is eligible for a deferred annuity under a State retirement program is also eligible for the two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) contribution to the MSRS Health Care Savings Plan. Employees are eligible for this benefit only once.
- B. **Temporary plan changes due to a state or national emergency.** If the State or a federal government agency declares a state of emergency or otherwise invokes emergency authority by declaration, rules, regulations, or similar official statements, the terms of the programs administered by SEGIP may be changed for the period of the declared emergency and for up to a 30 day run-out period. These changes may include changes to programs administered by SEGIP including but not limited to: benefit design, enrollment and eligibility, billing, and administration as well as waiver of out-of-network restrictions, changes to out of pocket costs, extension of time frames for enrollment and billing, and other protocols reasonably expected to provide Members with access to benefits **Employee Life Coverage.**

1. **Basic Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Coverage.** The Employer agrees to provide and pay for the following term life coverage and accidental death and dismemberment coverage for all employees eligible for an Employer Contribution, as described in Section 3. Any premium paid by the State in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) coverage is subject to a tax liability in accord with Internal Revenue Service regulations. An employee may decline coverage in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) by filing a waiver in accord with Minnesota Management and Budget procedures. The basic life insurance policy will include an accelerated benefits agreement providing for payment of benefits prior to death if the insured has a terminal condition.

Employee's Annual Base Salary	Group Life Insurance Coverage	Accidental Death and Dismemberment Principal Sum
\$10,000 - \$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
\$15,001 - \$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
\$20,001 - \$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
\$25,001 - \$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
\$30,001 - \$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
\$35,001 - \$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
\$40,001 - \$45,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
\$45,001 - \$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
\$50,001 - \$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000
\$55,001 - \$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
\$60,001 - \$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000
\$65,001 - \$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000
\$70,001 - \$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
\$75,001 - \$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
\$80,001 - \$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
\$85,001 - \$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000
Over \$90,000	\$95,000	\$95,000

Health Treatment Professionals participate in the Manager's Income Protection Plan.

2. **Extended Benefits.** An employee who becomes totally disabled before age seventy (70) shall be eligible for the extended benefit provisions of the life insurance policy until age seventy (70). Employees who were disabled prior to July 1, 1983 and who have continuously received benefits shall continue to receive such benefits under the terms of the policy in effect prior to July 1, 1983.
3. **Procurement.** A life insurance Request for Proposal (RFP) may be issued during the term of this plan. This RFP may result in changes

Section 7. Optional Coverages.

A. Employee and Family Dental Coverage.

1. **Coverage Options.** Eligible employees may select coverage under one of the dental plans offered by the Minnesota Management and Budget, including health maintenance organization plans, the State Dental Plan, or other dental plans.
2. **Coverage Under the State Dental Plan.** The State Dental Plan will provide the following coverage:
 - a. **Copayments.** Effective January 1, 2019, the State Dental Plan will cover allowable charges for the following services subject to the copayments and coverage limits stated. Higher out-of-pocket costs apply to services obtained from dental care providers not in the State Dental Plan network. Services provided through the State Dental Plan are subject to the State Dental Plan's managed care procedures and principles, including standards of dental necessity and appropriate practice. The plan shall cover general cleaning two (2) times per plan year and special cleanings (root or deep cleaning) as prescribed by the dentist.

Service	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Diagnostic/Preventive	100%	50% after deductible
Fillings	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Endodontics	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Periodontics	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Oral Surgery	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Crowns	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Implants	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Prosthetics	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Prosthetic Repairs	80% after deductible	50% after deductible
Orthodontics*	80% after deductible	50% after deductible

- b. **Deductible.** An annual deductible of fifty dollars (\$50) per person and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per family applies to State Dental Plan non-preventive services received from in-network providers. An annual deductible of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) per person applies to State Dental Plan basic and special services received from out of network providers. The deductible must be satisfied before coverage begins.
- c. **Annual Maximums.** State Dental Plan coverage is subject to a two thousand and two hundred dollar (\$2,200) annual maximum benefit payable (excluding orthodontia and preventative services) per person. "Annual" means per insurance year.
- d. **Orthodontia Lifetime Maximum.** Orthodontia benefits are subject to a three thousand dollars (\$3,000) lifetime maximum. If an employee elects dental benefits on their own policy, dollars spent when the employee was a dependent of another policy holder shall not be applied toward the new policy's lifetime maximum.

B. Life Coverage.

1. **Employee.** An employee may purchase up to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) additional life insurance, in increments established by Minnesota Management and Budget, subject to satisfactory evidence of insurability. A new employee may purchase up to two (2) times annual salary in optional employee life coverage by their initial effective date of coverage as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C without evidence of insurability. An

individual may only be covered on one state sponsored life coverage policy. A retired employee who returns to state service with optional employee life coverage in place or who has already received a paid-up benefit are not eligible for optional employee life coverage. An employee who becomes eligible for insurance may purchase up to two (2) times annual salary in optional employee life coverage without evidence of insurability within thirty (30) days of the initial effective date as defined in this Chapter.

2. **Spouse.** An employee may purchase up to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) life insurance coverage for their spouse, in increments established by Minnesota Management and Budget, subject to satisfactory evidence of insurability. A new employee may purchase either five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in optional spouse life coverage by their initial effective date of coverage as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C without evidence of insurability. An individual may only be covered on one state sponsored life coverage policy. A retired employee who returns to state services with optional spouse life coverage in place or who has already received a paid-up benefit is not eligible for optional spouse life coverage. An employee who becomes eligible for insurance may purchase either five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in optional spouse coverage without evidence of insurability within thirty (30) days of the initial effective date as defined in this Chapter.
3. **Children/Grandchildren.** An employee may purchase life insurance in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) as a package for all eligible children/grandchildren (as defined in Section 2A2 and 2A3 of this Chapter). An individual may only be covered on one policy, by one employee participating in the State Employee Group Insurance Program. For a new employee, child/grandchild coverage requires evidence of insurability if application is made after the initial effective date of coverage as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C. An employee who becomes eligible for insurance may purchase child/grandchild coverage without evidence of insurability if application is made within thirty (30) days of the initial effective date as defined in this Chapter. Child/grandchild coverage commences immediately from the moment of live birth up to age twenty-six (26).
4. **Accelerated Life.** The additional employee, spouse and child life insurance policies will include an accelerated benefits agreement providing for payment of benefits prior to death if the insured has a terminal condition.
5. **Waiver of Premium.** In the event an employee becomes totally disabled before age seventy (70), there shall be a waiver of premium for all life insurance coverage that the employee had at the time of disability.
6. **Paid Up Life Policy.** At age sixty-five (65) or the date of retirement, an employee who has carried optional life insurance for the five (5) consecutive years immediately preceding the date of the employee's retirement or age sixty-five (65), whichever is later, shall receive a post-retirement paid-up life insurance policy in an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the smallest amount of optional employee life insurance in force during that five (5) year period. The employee's post-retirement death benefit shall be effective as of the date of the employee's retirement or the employee age sixty-five (65), whichever is later. Employees who retire prior to age sixty-five (65) must be immediately eligible to receive a state retirement annuity and must continue their optional employee life insurance to age sixty-five (65) in order to remain eligible for the employee post-retirement death benefit.

An employee who has carried optional spouse life insurance for the five (5) consecutive years immediately preceding the date of the employee's retirement or spouse age sixty-

five (65), whichever is later, shall receive a post-retirement paid-up life insurance policy in an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the smallest amount of optional spouse life insurance in force during that five (5) year period. The spouse post-retirement death benefit shall be effective as of the date of the employee's retirement or spouse age sixty-five (65), whichever is later. The employee must continue the full amount of optional spouse life insurance to the date of the employee's retirement or spouse age sixty-five (65), whichever is later, in order to remain eligible for the spouse post-retirement death benefit.

Each policy remains separate and distinct, and amounts may not be combined for the purpose of increasing the amount of a single policy.

7. **Procurement.** A life insurance Request for Proposal (RFP) may be issued during the term of this plan. This RFP may result in changes to the current life insurance benefit. The Joint Labor Management Committee on Health Plans (JLM) will participate in the life insurance RFP process and the JLM must agree to changes that modify the optional life insurance provisions form status quo benefit levels.

C. **Disability Coverage.**

1. **Short-term Disability Coverage.** An employee may purchase short-term disability coverage that provides benefits of from three hundred dollars (\$300) to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per month, up to two-thirds (2/3) of an employee's salary, for up to one hundred eighty (180) calendar days during total disability due to a non-occupational accident or a non-occupational sickness. Benefits are paid from the first day of a disabling injury or from the eighth day of a disabling sickness. For a new employee, coverage applied for by the initial effective date of coverage as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C does not require evidence of insurability. For an employee who becomes eligible for insurance, coverage applied for within thirty (30) days of the initial effective date does not require evidence of insurability. An employee who is insurance eligible and moves from a temporary position to a permanent position will be allowed to enroll in short-term disability coverage within thirty (30) days of the event without providing evidence of insurability. A short-term disability open enrollment will be offered every five years.
2. **Long-term Disability Coverage.** New employees may enroll in long-term disability insurance by their initial effective date of coverage. Employees who become eligible for insurance may enroll in long-term disability insurance within thirty (30) days of their initial effective date as defined in this Chapter, Section 5C. The terms are the same as for employees who wish to add/increase during the annual open enrollment. During open enrollment only, an employee may purchase long-term disability coverage that provides benefits of from two hundred dollars (\$200) to seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) per month, based on the employee's salary, commencing on the 181st calendar day of total disability, and not subject to evidence of insurability but with a limited term pre-existing condition exclusion. Employees should be aware that other wage replacement benefits, as described in the Certificate of Coverage (i.e., Social Security Disability, Minnesota State Retirement Disability, etc.) may result in a reduction of the monthly benefit levels purchased. In any event, the minimum is the greater of three hundred dollars (\$300) or fifteen percent (15%) of the amount purchased. The minimum benefit will not be reduced by any other wage replacement benefit. In the event that the employee becomes totally disabled before age seventy (70), the premiums on this benefit shall be waived. An employee who is insurance eligible and moves from a temporary position to a permanent position will be allowed to

enroll in short-term disability coverage within thirty (30) days of the event without providing evidence of insurability.

3. **3. Procurement.** A disability insurance Request for Proposal (RFP) may be issued during the term of this plan. This RFP may result in changes to the current disability coverage benefit. The point Labor Management Committee on Health Plans (JLM) will participate in the disability coverage RFP process and the JLM must agree to changes that modify the disability coverage provisions from status quo benefit levels.

- D. **Accidental Death and Dismemberment Coverage.** An employee may purchase accidental death and dismemberment coverage that provides principal sum benefits in amounts ranging from five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000). Payment is made only for accidental bodily injury or death and may vary, depending upon the extent of dismemberment. An employee may also purchase from five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in coverage for their spouse, but not in excess of the amount carried by the employee.
- E. **Vision Coverage.** Under the life of this agreement, an optional and fully employee-paid vision benefit will be available pursuant to contract parameters with the State's vision vendor.
- F. **Continuation of Optional Coverages During Unpaid Leave or Layoff.** An employee who takes an unpaid leave of absence or who is laid off may discontinue premium payments on optional policies during the period of leave or layoff. If the employee returns within one (1) year, the employee shall be permitted to pick up all optional coverages held prior to the leave or layoff. For purposes of reinstating such optional coverages, the following limitations shall be applicable.

For the first twenty-four (24) months of long-term disability coverage after such a period of leave or layoff during which long-term disability coverage was discontinued, any such disability coverage shall exclude coverage for certain pre-existing conditions. For disability purposes, a pre-existing condition is defined as any disability which is caused by, or results from, any injury, sickness or pregnancy which occurred, was diagnosed, or for which medical care was received during the period of leave or layoff. In addition, any pre-existing condition limitations that would have been in effect under the policy but for the discontinuance of coverage shall continue to apply as provided in the policy.

The limitations set forth above do not apply to Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leaves.

Chapter 14 – Salary Administration

Salary Ranges.

Each classified position is assigned, and each unclassified position is compared, to a specific job class at the time a position is established. Each class, except those for which a salary rate or range is established by law, shall be assigned to a salary range as indicated in the Appendices of this Plan. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may reassign or recompare positions to different classes, may reassign classes to different salary ranges, and may establish salary ranges.

Salary Rates and Limits.

The salary rate for each employee shall be set by the Appointing Authority within the limits of the salary range to which the employee's class is assigned, subject to the limitations of Personnel Rule

3900.2100 and this Chapter. An employee's salary rate may not exceed the maximum of the salary range except as provided in this Chapter or by law.

Insufficient Work Time Employees.

An insufficient work time employee shall be subject to the same salary provisions as provided to employees in the same class in the bargaining unit to which the employee would otherwise be assigned. If the applicable collective bargaining agreement expires or is terminated, insufficient work time employees shall be subject to the salary provisions most recently in effect for employees in the same class in the bargaining unit.

Examination Monitors.

An Examination Monitor appointed in accord with M.S. 43A.08, subdivision 1(15), shall be paid a single rate of pay of the Minnesota state minimum wage.

General Salary Increases.

Employees covered by this Plan shall receive a salary increase of five and one-half percent (5.5%), rounded to the nearest cent per hour effective July 1, 2023. This salary increase shall not result in a salary above the new maximum of the salary range for the classification.

Effective July 1, 2024, all employees covered by this plan shall receive a salary increase of four and one-half percent (4.50%) rounded to the nearest cent per hour.

The salary ranges for classes covered by this Plan effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 are contained in Appendix F-1. Salary ranges in effect beginning on July 1, 2024 are contained in Appendix F-2.

Performance-Based Salary Increases.

An employee who is in a position covered by this Plan on the day before the pay period in which January 1, 2024 occurs (and each January 1 thereafter) is eligible for one performance-based salary increase each year of up to three and one-half percent (3.5%) rounded to the nearest cent per hour if the employee's current rate of pay is not at or over the maximum rate of pay of the new salary range. The salary increase shall be in the form of an adjustment to the employee's base salary rate. The salary increase shall be tied to the employee's performance as measured against previously established standards and objectives.

For performance increases in this section, the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may reduce, eliminate or delay the implementation of performance-based salary increases. In the absence of a determination by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget to reduce, eliminate or delay the implementation of performance-based salary increases, the Appointing Authority may withhold part or all of or delay any salary increase because of performance, budget constraints or to realign internal salary relationships. If salary increases are delayed (other than for performance), they shall be effective no later than the beginning of the first full pay period in the following June. If salary increases are delayed for performance, no increase shall occur until the Appointing Authority certifies that performance standards or objectives have been met. An employee may be granted only one performance-based salary increase during each fiscal year.

The increases provided in this section shall not apply to the salaries of employees covered by Appendices I and L, Examination Monitors and Insufficient Work Time employees, or those employees whose salaries are specified in statute.

Hiring Incentive.

At the written request of the Appointing Authority and with the approval of the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget, an agency may offer a hiring incentive of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to encourage a candidate to accept an appointment in a difficult to fill position where an incentive is necessary to attract a qualified individual. The Appointing Authority shall determine the amount of the incentive, not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and the timing of incentive payments and communicate them to the candidate in writing prior to the appointment. However, no incentive payment may be granted before six (6) months or later than twenty-four (24) months of continuous satisfactory employment in the hiring agency.

Referral Incentive

At their discretion, the Appointing Authority may offer a referral incentive of up to \$1,000 to current employees who successfully refer a new employee who accepts a hard-to-fill position.

- Whether or not a position or classification is deemed “hard-to-fill” is determined by MMB. Once MMB makes that determination that a position or job classification is “hard-to-fill,” the Appointing Authority has the discretion to determine whether and to whom a referral incentive may be given, within the parameters set forth in this section.
- Employees requesting a referral incentive must do so in a manner approved by the Appointing Authority.
- The total amount of the referral incentive shall not exceed \$1,000 per position filled and shall be paid in a single installment, no sooner than after the new hire has successfully completed probation and been certified.
- The referring employee must still be employed with the State at the time of payment eligibility in order to receive the incentive.

This provision is not subject to the dispute resolution process

Retention Incentive for Behavioral Med Practitioners.

Behavioral Med Practitioners (Job Code 003825) who have been at the maximum salary rate of their salary range for six (6) or more months may receive a discretionary lump sum payment of up to two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.) This incentive is permitted only upon demonstration of satisfactory or better job performance, and may be granted once per fiscal year. This provision is effective until a subsequent Plan is approved by the SER or ratified by the legislature, whichever comes first.

Recruitment Incentive for New Behavioral Med Practitioners.

Newly hired Behavioral Med Practitioners may be granted a recruitment incentive of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or up to fifteen thousand (\$15,000) upon written approval of MMB. The incentive shall be paid in two (2) increments: half after successful completion of the required probationary period, and half after twelve (12) months of continuous satisfactory service. This provision is effective until a subsequent Plan is approved by the SER or ratified by the legislature, whichever comes first.

Referral Incentive for Behavioral Med Practitioners.

Behavioral Med Practitioners may receive a lump-sum payment of five hundred dollars (\$500) for making the first referral of a candidate who accepts a pre-designated vacancy and successfully completes their probationary period. The Appointing Authority may designate individual vacant positions that are subject to the referral incentive. No more than one lump-sum payment shall be

paid for each designated vacancy. Prior to offering to make such lump-sum payments for referrals, the Appointing Authority shall establish procedures for recording referrals and determining which employee made the first referral of a candidate. This provision is effective until a subsequent Plan is approved by the SER or ratified by the legislature, whichever comes first.

Student Loan Payment Reimbursement for Behavioral Med Practitioners.

This student loan payment reimbursement provision for Behavioral Med Practitioners (BMP) shall be in effect from the effective date of this Plan and until a subsequent Plan is approved by the SER or ratified by the legislature, whichever comes first.

- A. **BMP Request and Discretionary Approval.** A BMP may request and the Appointing Authority may approve reimbursement for the BMP's student loan payments, made on their outstanding student loan balances.
- B. **Eligible Payments. In order to qualify for this reimbursement, the student loan payments** must be made by the BMP after the effective date of this agreement.
- C. **Eligible Student Loan Debt.** The BMP must have current student loan debt incurred within fifteen (15) years immediately prior to the payment being requested by the BMP.
- D. **Exclusion.** Student loan reimbursement payments cannot be applied to Continuing Education Units that are required to maintain an employee's license or credentials.
- E. **Payment Amounts.** Student loan reimbursement payments shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per calendar year per employee, up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in total payments issued to any BMP.
- F. **Payment Dispersal.** Loan reimbursement payments may be disbursed once or twice yearly, in accordance with a disbursement schedule determined by the Appointing Authority.
- G. **BMP Length of Service Requirements.** BMPs must have been employed by the Employer at least one (1) year in a part-time or full-time position and be anticipated to work at least one thousand forty-four (1,044) hours per year.
- H. **BMP Retention Requirement.** BMPs who are approved to receive a student loan payment reimbursement must remain actively employed by DHS for a period of one (1) year after receiving a reimbursement payment. BMPs who voluntarily separate sooner than one (1) year after receiving such payment shall be required by the Appointing Authority to repay the student loan reimbursement received the previous year.

Such repayment shall be on a prorated, monthly basis. The repayment requirements may, under special circumstances, be waived by the Employer, the Commissioner of Management and Budget. Such waiver must be requested in writing by the Appointing Authority.

If a BMP is required to repay all or part of a student loan reimbursement payment, the Appointing Authority shall deduct the amount owed from vacation payout or compensatory time payout or severance pay. If the amount withheld from payouts is not sufficient to reimburse the State, the BMP is required to reimburse the State for the remaining amount.

Retention and repayment requirements do not apply in the case of death or permanent layoff.

- I. **Documentation of Student Loan Payments Required.** The BMP must provide documentation of actual student loan payments as described below:
- For reimbursement of loan payments: Documentation of actual loan payments made within the twelve (12) months immediately prior to application for loan payment reimbursement. The amount approved for any student loan reimbursement must be equal to or greater than the amount the employee has paid toward the loan in the twelve (12) months prior to the application;
 - For lump sum loan payments: Documentation that the amount dispersed has been applied to the student loan will be provided to the Appointing Authority within sixty (60) calendar days of the disbursement.
- J. **Failure to provide required documentation of payments.** If the BMP does not fulfill the reporting requirement as described in H above, the BMP will be required to repay the total amount.

Chief Dentist or Pharmacist Differential.

The Departments of Corrections and Human Services may pay up to an additional twelve percent (12%) of the base salary of one dentist and one pharmacist employed by the department who is assigned additional, department-wide administrative responsibilities. Selection of the employee to whom the duties are assigned is at the discretion of the department and the department may end the assignment or reassign the responsibilities at any time.

Achievement Awards and Other Incentive Plans.

Each Appointing Authority may adopt a formal plan for the administration of lump sum payment programs for employees covered by this Plan. The plan may include, but is not limited to:

- Achievement award programs;
- Gain-sharing plans;
- Productivity incentive plans;
- Recognition awards;
- And project bonuses.

Expenditures for such programs are at the discretion of the Appointing Authority and subject to the availability of funds. All expenditures shall be in the form of lump sum payments and shall not be incurred as a continuing obligation.

Any employee who has demonstrated outstanding performance may receive an individual achievement award of up to three thousand dollars (\$3,000), or receive a single base-pay adjustment of up to 3.5%. In addition, the Appointing Authority may, at its discretion, provide a team award to any employee who has demonstrated outstanding performance as part of a team. The team achievement award shall be in a lump sum of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per fiscal year. Employees may receive both an individual and a team award in one fiscal year.

For agencies with four or more employees, achievement Awards shall be granted to no more than 30% of an Appointing Authority's Commissioners' Plan employees in any given fiscal year. In agencies with three (3) or fewer eligible Commissioners' Plan employees, the total expenditure is limited to no more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in each fiscal year. In no instance may an

individual award themselves an achievement award. Payments made under this section shall be effective no later than the last full payroll period in June.

Equity Adjustments

Upon request of the Appointing Authority, to maintain or achieve internal equity, MMB may approve equity adjustments to advance incumbents within a range, or provide a one-time lump sum of no more than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) (including the employees at the top of the salary range).

- Only those with documented “satisfactory” or better performance are eligible for an equity adjustment.
- Any request for an adjustment under this section must include an explanation of the inequity, and documentation to support an equity adjustment for an incumbent.
- This provision is not subject to the dispute resolution process.

Incentive Programs.

The Appointing Authority may create and use incentive program(s). In order to offer incentives, the Appointing Authority must first develop a policy that governs the eligibility and parameters of the program, and must obtain approval from Minnesota Management and Budget.

Salary on Class Change.

Movement between classes is defined as a promotion, transfer, or demotion in accord with Administrative Procedure 15.6.

Salary on Promotion or Transfer.

Upon promotion or transfer, an employee shall receive a rate of pay within the salary range for the new class. This rate of pay shall be determined by considering the employee’s qualifications and years of experience, the existing labor market, and internal equity with the rates of pay for other similarly situated employees within the Agency. No rate of pay adjustment shall be granted which would place an employee's rate of pay above the salary range maximum, except that transferring employees with a rate of pay above the salary range maximum may retain their existing rate of pay. If an employee is promoted through a reallocation in accord with M.S. 43A.15, subdivision 5, the salary increase shall be effective fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of a properly documented audit and shall continue from that date until the effective date of the appointment. The provisions of this paragraph shall also apply to the incumbents of unclassified positions which are reclassified to higher classes.

The preceding paragraph does not apply to reallocations resulting from a classification study which includes some or all positions in a class or class series. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget or an agency human resource office with delegated authority shall determine the effective date of such promotions.

Salary on Demotion for Other than Cause.

Upon a voluntary demotion for other than cause, an employee shall receive a rate of pay within the salary range for the new class, consistent with the employee’s qualifications, years of experience, relevant market factors, and internal equity with the rates of pay for other similarly situated employees within the Agency. If the current rate of pay exceeds the maximum of the new range, the employee may only retain their current rate of pay for one of the below-identified

reasons, provided the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget approves a request to maintain a salary above the range maximum due to:

- a. A demotion as the result of a reallocation to a lower class, or
- b. A demotion as a result of a recomparison of an unclassified position to a lower class as the result of a gradual change in assigned duties, or
- c. Pursuant to the provisions of M.S. 43A.17, subdivision 5.

An employee whose salary is over the maximum of the salary range as a result of reallocation, recomparison or pursuant to the provisions of M.S. 43A.17, subdivision 5, as provided above, shall not retain the amount over the maximum if the employee subsequently moves to a new classification.

Salary on Demotion for Cause.

Upon demotion for cause, an employee shall receive a salary rate within the range for the class to which the employee is demoted.

Salary on Salary Range Reassignment.

Unless directed otherwise by MMB, salary range reassignments are implemented through low cost implementation, whereby employees in classifications reassigned upward by one (1) or more salary ranges receive no immediate increase to pay except that those below the new salary range minimum shall be brought up to the first step of the new range, and those who have been at the maximum of the old range for one year are eligible for an increase in an amount commensurate with what they would receive upon promotion, provided they would otherwise have been eligible for a performance increase during the prior year if they had not been at the top of the salary range.

Employees in classifications reassigned downward by one (1) or more salary ranges will retain their current rate of pay.

Salary on Return from Leave of Absence.

Upon return from an unpaid leave of absence, an employee's salary shall be placed in the current salary range at a rate of pay which is comparable to the placement of their rate of pay in the salary range prior to the leave of absence, or at a higher rate with the approval of the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.

Salary on Failure to Attain Permanent Status.

If a probationary employee fails to attain permanent status in a new class and is returned to their former class, the employee's rate of pay shall be adjusted to the rate they would be earning had they remained in the former class, provided they passed probation in the former class. If they had not yet been certified in the former class and fail to attain permanent status in the new class, the salary upon return to the former class shall be at the same rate of pay the employee was receiving prior to moving into the new position.

Work Out of Class Pay.

When an employee is assigned in accord with the Administrative Procedure to perform substantially all of the duties of a temporarily unoccupied position assigned to a class which is a promotion and the assignment exceeds ten (10) consecutive work days, the employee shall receive a salary increase for the assignment in accord with the provisions of "Salary on Promotion or Transfer" above. An employee working out of class in a class which is a transfer or demotion

shall receive no salary adjustment. Employees in Work Out of Class or Interagency Transfer assignment (as those terms are defined by Administrative Procedures 1.1 and 17.1) are eligible for any pay differentials or other premium compensation associated with the classification they are on assignment to.

Shift Differential.

The shift differential for employees specifically assigned or directed to work before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. shall be paid two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per hour for all hours worked before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. Such shift differential shall be in addition to the employee's regular rate of pay and shall be included in all payroll calculations, but shall not apply during periods of paid leave.

The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to State Patrol Majors.

Bilingual Pay Differential.

At the Appointing Authority's discretion, position(s) that communicate with the public in a language other than English (including Braille or American Sign Language (ASL)), on a recurring or specific basis may be eligible for this differential. The use of additional language must be used to perform an essential function of the position or to support specific events or projects. The required level of fluency is to be determined by the Appointing Authority, and the Appointing Authority may require certification in interpretation or translation, or in the use of Braille or ASL, as required by law or industry standards.

- 1. Recurring Basis.** Positions that utilize an additional language on a recurring basis to perform an essential function of the position will receive a differential of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per bi-weekly pay period, or;
- 2. Specific events or projects.** The Appointing Authority will describe the expectations of the employee for utilizing their additional language skill (translation, interpretation, or both), and whether the employee will be expected to perform additional language skills during specific events or for special projects. If the additional language will be utilized only for specific events or projects, like public meetings or specific translation projects, the position will be paid a differential of \$1.00 per hour for each hour performing those specific tasks, paid in \$0.25 hour increments, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) per bi-weekly pay period.

If the Appointing Authority determines that the additional language skills are no longer needed, the bilingual differential may be ended at any time. If the employee's position or assignment changes and the bilingual skill has not been designated, or identified as a business necessity, the differential will cease. The effective date for discontinuation of the bilingual differential will be the first day of the next pay period following the new assignment.

The determination by the Appointing Authority as to which positions are eligible for the bilingual differential, the frequency with which additional language skills are needed, or the discontinuation of the bilingual differential shall not be subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure in Chapter 12.

The Appointing Authority retains the right to contract out bilingual services (identified above) as deemed necessary.

Project Labor Rates.

An Appointing Authority may pay an employee in a skilled trades or labor class at a rate not to exceed one hundred seventy percent (170%) of the normal maximum for that class if the employee is engaged in a construction project of a short-term and non-recurring nature. Such temporary or emergency employees shall not be employed for more than sixty-six (66) work days in a twelve (12) month period. These employees shall not receive any of the benefits related to State employment.

Severance Pay.

An employee shall be entitled to severance pay immediately following separation from State service by reason of:

- Separation, for reasons other than discharge, following ten (10) or more years of continuous State employment with immediate entitlement at the time of separation to an annuity under a State retirement program;
- Death;
- Layoff other than emergency or seasonal;
- Separation other than discharge following twenty (20) or more years of continuous State employment; or
- Termination resulting from abolition of an unlimited, unclassified position following five (5) or more years of continuous State employment.

Severance pay shall be a sum equal to the employee's regular rate of pay at the time of separation multiplied by thirty-five percent (35%) of the employee's accumulated but unused sick leave hours.

An employee who is laid off or dies shall receive severance payout in cash. An employee who is laid off or dies shall receive severance and vacation payout in cash.

An employee who is eligible for severance pay and who separates from State service with ten (10) or more years of continuous State service shall have thirty-five percent (35%) of the employee's unused sick leave hours placed in an individual Minnesota State Retirement System Health Care Savings Plan account. An employee who is eligible for severance pay but does not meet the ten (10) or more years of continuous State service requirement, or whose combined vacation and severance payout is less than five hundred dollars (\$500), may choose to:

- Be paid in a lump sum at the time of eligible separation;
- Arrange for a one-time deferred compensation or tax-sheltered annuity deduction, provided the employee satisfies all requirements of the administrator or the deferred compensation plan or tax-sheltered annuity; or
- A combination of both.

For budget reasons, an Appointing Authority may elect to distribute the severance payment, and vacation payment, whether paid to the employee or to an individual Minnesota State Retirement System Health Care Savings Plan account, over a period of up to two (2) years from the date of separation. If the employee dies before all of the severance pay has been disbursed, the balance due shall be paid to a named beneficiary, if any, or to the employee's estate.

Should any employee who has received severance pay be subsequently reappointed to State service, future severance pay shall be based on only the hours accrued since reappointment.

Employees who have been laid off and received severance pay and are reappointed to State service are eligible for additional severance only if they meet the continuous State service requirement.

Employees who have received severance as a result of continuous State service and are reappointed to State service are eligible for additional severance upon separation.

Health and Dental Premium Account.

The Employer provides insurance eligible employees with the option to pay for the employee's portion of health and dental premiums on a pretax basis as permitted by law or regulation.

Medical/Dental Expense Account.

Insurance eligible employees may participate in a medical and dental expense reimbursement program to cover co-payments, deductibles, and other medical and dental expenses or expenses for services not covered by health or dental insurance on a pre-tax basis as permitted by law or regulation, up to the maximum amount of salary reduction contributions allowed per calendar year under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code or other applicable federal law.

Dependent Care Expense Account.

Insurance eligible employees have the option to participate in a dependent care reimbursement program for work-related dependent care expenses on a pretax basis as permitted by law or regulation.

Transit Expense Account.

Employees have the option to participate in a program to pay work-related parking and transit expenses on a pre-tax basis.

Deferred Compensation.

Each fiscal year, each employee may choose a State-paid contribution to the State deferred compensation program as permitted by M.S. 356.24, subd. 1, paragraph 4. The State-paid contribution shall be in an amount matching the employee's contributions on a dollar-for-dollar basis, not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) per employee.

Once in each fiscal year, an employee with at least six (6) months of continuous service in this Plan or any combination of service in the Managerial Plan, Commissioner's Plan or qualifying service in the Middle Management Association equaling at least six (6) months combined continuous service must choose to either convert a portion of their accumulated vacation hours up to a maximum of forty (40) hours to a contribution to a deferred compensation plan for which the State provides payroll deduction or choose to receive the State-paid matching deferred compensation contribution. No minimum service is required if the State-paid matching contribution is selected.

Employees must choose one of these options by June 5th of each fiscal year.

Appointing Authorities may deny requests for the State-paid matching deferred compensation contribution or limit the amount of vacation hours converted to deferred compensation as provided in Chapter 4 for the entire agency due to budget restrictions.

Contributions to deferred compensation plans made through the conversion of vacation hours are subject to all of the rules and regulations of their respective plans.

These provisions do not apply to employees covered by a compensation plan established under the provisions of M.S. 43A.18, subdivision 4 unless that compensation plan is amended to include a specific reference to their provisions.

An employee may choose to convert some or all of their compensatory time bank one time during each fiscal year at a time of their choosing using the employee self-service system as long as the total hours converted in a fiscal year do not exceed forty (40). Conversion of compensatory time is in addition to choosing either the Employer contribution to deferred compensation or the conversion of vacation to deferred compensation.

Health Care Savings Plan.

All employees, except insufficient work time employees, shall contribute one percent (1.00%) of their gross earnings subject to retirement into a personal Health Care Savings Plan account with the Minnesota State Retirement System each pay period. The contribution shall occur regardless of whether or not their position is retirement eligible.

Student Loan Reimbursement

- **Discretionary Approval.** An employee may request and an Agency may approve reimbursement for the employee's student loan payments, made on their outstanding student loan balances.
- **Exclusion.** Student loan reimbursement payments cannot be applied to Continuing Education Units that are required to maintain an employee's license or credentials.
- **Reimbursement Amounts.** Student loan reimbursement payments shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per calendar year per employee, up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in total payments.
- **Length of Service Requirements.** Employees must have been employed by the Employer for at least 18 months in a part-time or full-time position and be anticipated to work at least one thousand forty-four (1,044) hours per year.
- **Documentation Required.** PrThe employee must provide documentation of actual student loan payments made within the twelve (12) months immediately prior to requesting student loan payment reimbursement.
- **Retention Requirement.** Employees who are approved to receive a student loan payment reimbursement must remain employed by the Agency for a period of one (1) year after receiving a reimbursement payment. Employees who separate from the Agency sooner than one (1) year after receiving a reimbursement payment shall be required to repay the student loan reimbursement received the previous year on a prorated monthly basis. Retention and repayment requirements do not apply in the case of death or layoff of the employee who received the student loan reimbursement.
- **Reimbursement Schedule.** Loan reimbursement payments may be disbursed once or twice yearly, in accordance with a disbursement schedule determined by the Agency.
- This provision is not subject to the dispute resolution process set forth in this Plan.

Upon advance written notice to the Association and Minnesota Management and Budget, Agencies may participate in this program.

Chapter 15 – Expense Reimbursement

General.

The Appointing Authority may authorize payment of travel and other expenses and reimbursement of special expenses for employees and interns in accord with the provisions of this Chapter, Chapter 8, and Administrative Procedure 4.4 for the effective conduct of the State's business. Such authorization must be granted prior to incurring the actual expenses. Administrative Procedure 4.4 Section E provides an exception which allows an agency to submit a request for approval after special expenses have occurred.

Privately-Owned Vehicles and Aircraft.

An employee shall be reimbursed for the use of privately-owned vehicles and aircraft under the situations and at the rates specified below. In all cases, mileage must be on the most direct route according to Department of Transportation records.

Situation	Rate Per Mile
Use of personal automobile when a State-owned vehicle is not available.	Federal IRS mileage reimbursement rate
Use of personal automobile when a State-owned vehicle is available and declined by the employee.	Federal IRS mileage reimbursement rate less \$0.07
Use of personal van or van-type vehicle specially equipped with a ramp, lift, or other level-changing device designed to provide wheelchair access.	Federal IRS mileage reimbursement rate plus \$0.09
Use of personal aircraft provided that the employee demonstrates adequate liability coverage under the requirements of M.S. 360.59, subdivision 10, and the Appointing Authority has granted approval for the use of the aircraft.	Federal IRS mileage reimbursement rate

In addition to mileage, actual parking fees and toll charges shall be reimbursed. At the sole discretion of the Appointing Authority, employees who normally are not required to travel on state business may be reimbursed for parking at their work location on an incidental basis when they are required to use their personal or a state vehicle for state business and no free parking is provided.

Employees shall not receive mileage reimbursement for commuting between a permanent work location and their home. For each position, the Appointing Authority may designate no more than two (2) permanent work locations, which must be within thirty-five (35) miles of each other. For purposes of expense reimbursement for trips to temporary work locations, the Appointing Authority shall designate one (1) of the two (2) permanent work locations as the primary location. The Appointing Authority must provide advance written notice of the two (2) locations and the primary location to anyone being appointed to such a position.

When an employee does not report to the permanent work location during the day or travels to other work locations before or after reporting to the permanent work location, the allowable mileage is: (1) the lesser of the mileage from the employee's residence to the first stop or from their permanent work location to the first stop, (2) all mileage between points visited on State

business during the day, and (3) the lesser of the mileage from the last stop to the employee's residence or from the last stop to their permanent work location.

Employees accepting interchange assignments, as defined in Administrative Procedure 1.1, are not eligible for mileage reimbursement for the trip between their home and the interchange assignment unless agreed upon between the agencies or entities who are. lu to the interchange assignment

Other Travel Expenses.

Upon approval of the Appointing Authority, employees in travel status may be reimbursed for expenses described below in the amounts actually incurred not to exceed any maximum amounts specified below.

Where anticipated expenses total at least fifty dollars (\$50.00), the Appointing Authority shall advance the employee the amount of the anticipated expenses upon the employee's request made a reasonable period of time prior to the travel date. If the amount advanced exceeds the actual expenses, the employee shall return the excess within two (2) weeks of return from travel. The Appointing Authority may issue the employee a State-owned credit card in lieu of a travel advance.

Reimbursable expenses may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Commercial or ride-share transportation (air, taxi, rental car, etc.) provided that no air transportation shall be by first class unless authorized by an Appointing Authority; and that reimbursement for travel which includes more than one destination visited for State purposes and non-State purposes shall be in an amount equal to the cost of the air fare only to those destinations visited for State purposes.
- Meals including tax and a reasonable gratuity. Employees shall be reimbursed for meals under the following conditions:
 1. **Breakfast.** Breakfast reimbursements may be claimed if the employee leaves their temporary or permanent work location before 6:00 a.m. or is away from home overnight.

Lunch. Eligibility for lunch meal reimbursement shall be based upon the employee being on assignment, over thirty-five (35) miles from their temporary or permanent work station, with the work assignment extending over the normal lunch period.

2. **Dinner.** Dinner reimbursements may be claimed only if the employee is away from their temporary or permanent work location until after 7:00 p.m. or is away from home overnight.
3. **Reimbursement Amount.** Except for high cost localities as identified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the maximum reimbursement for meals including tax and gratuity shall be:
 - Breakfast: \$11.00
 - Lunch: \$13.00
 - Dinner: \$19.00

For high cost localities as identified by the IRS (specifically excluding any cities within Minnesota), the maximum reimbursement shall be:

- Breakfast: \$12.00
- Lunch: \$15.00
- Dinner: \$23.00

Employees who are in travel status for two (2) or more consecutive meals shall be reimbursed for the actual costs of the meals including tax and a reasonable gratuity, up to the combined maximum amount for the reimbursable meals.

- Hotel and motel accommodations provided that employees exercise good judgment in incurring lodging costs and that charges are reasonable and consistent with the facilities available.
- Reasonable costs of dry cleaning and laundry services, not to exceed sixteen dollars (\$16.00), each week after the first week an employee is in continued travel status.
- Parking fees and toll charges.

Receipts.

The Appointing Authority may require receipts for any reimbursement requested by an employee under the provisions of this or any other chapter in this Plan.

Uniforms.

If an Appointing Authority requires an employee to wear a uniform, the Appointing Authority shall supply the initial uniform and the employee shall be responsible for the maintenance of the uniform.

Permanently Closed Work Location.

Where an Appointing Authority permanently closes a work location and assigns the employee to a new permanent work location outside thirty-five (35) miles, and the employee is approved to telework, the employee shall be eligible for mileage reimbursement when the employee is required by the Appointing Authority to report in-person to the new permanent work location or any required Appointing Authority work location (e.g., field assignment). The allowable mileage shall be as follows:

- A. Mileage from the Appointing Authority's permanently closed work location or employee's approved telework location to the new permanent work location, whichever is lesser, or;
- B. Mileage from the Appointing Authority's permanently closed work location or employee's approved telework location to any required Appoint Authority approved work location (e.g., field assignment), whichever is lesser.

The employee shall no longer be eligible for mileage under this provision upon leaving the position which the employee occupied at the time the Appointing Authority permanently closed the work location, for the periods of time the Appointing Authority determines the employee is not approved to telework, or where the Appointing Authority cancels the employee's telecommuting plan.

Where the Appointing Authority cancels the employee's telecommuting plan and the employee must report in-person to the new permanent work location, the employee shall have the option to either report in-person to the new permanent work location, or to be laid off. If the employee chooses to be laid off, the layoff and recall provisions of this Plan shall apply.

Chapter 16 – Relocation Expenses

General Eligibility.

An employee may be reimbursed for relocation expenses only if the employee obtains prior authorization from the Appointing Authority before incurring any reimbursable expenses and only if the employee completes the change of residence within twelve (12) months of the date of appointment or reassignment. The Appointing Authority may approve time extensions in individual situations.

The Appointing Authority and the employee are expected to reach a clear understanding of the relocation expense reimbursement available to the employee before the employee incurs any expenses. The Appointing Authority and the employee shall meet once every thirty (30) calendar days in order to review the employee's progress toward completion of the relocation process as well as actual and anticipated expense claims.

Required Reimbursement.

An Appointing Authority shall reimburse an employee up to twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) in relocation expenses as provided in this Chapter if one of the following applies:

- The Appointing Authority requires a change of residence as a condition of employment; or
- A move is incurred as the result of reassignment (not promotion) more than thirty-five (35) miles from the employee's present work location; or
- A move to a new position more than thirty-five (35) miles from the employee's present work location is incurred as the result of the application of the layoff provisions of Chapter 10.

An Appointing Authority may authorize payment of more than twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) in individual situations as a result of a work-related move.

Discretionary Reimbursement.

An Appointing Authority may reimburse an employee for relocation expenses incurred as the result of a work-related move, of more than thirty-five (35) miles from the employee's present work location in situations other than those listed above including promotions under Required Reimbursement. The Appointing Authority shall determine the types and total amount of expenses to be reimbursed, within the provisions of this Chapter.

Covered Expenses.

Reimbursable expenses may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Realtor's fees on the domicile being sold by the employee or fees required to break a lease on the employee's rented domicile.
- Moving Expenses. The cost of packing, moving and short-term storage of household goods, subject to the receipt of bids as required by the Procurement Division of the Department of Administration and to the approval of the Appointing Authority prior to any commitment to a mover to either pack or ship the employee's household goods. Neither the State of Minnesota nor any of its agencies shall be responsible for the loss nor damage to any employee's household goods nor personal effects.

- Documented miscellaneous expenses directly related to the move. Such expenses include, but are not limited to, the cost of disconnecting and reconnecting appliances and/or utilities (including the modification of existing gas or electrical service to accommodate the employee's existing appliances); fees related to the purchase or sale of a residence (including, but not limited to, attorney's fees, loan origination fees, abstract fees, title insurance premiums, appraisal fees, credit report fees, and government recording and transfer fees); fees for inspections or other services required by state law or local ordinance; the cost of insurance for property damage during the move; the cost of moving up to two (2) automobiles; or other direct costs associated with the rental or purchase of a new residence.

Reimbursable miscellaneous expenses do not include, among others, rental of the employee's permanent residence, costs of improvements to either the old or the new home, real estate taxes, mortgage interest differential, points, assessments, homeowner association fees, homeowner's or renter's insurance, mortgage insurance, hazard insurance, automobile or driver's license reissue fees, utility or other refundable deposits, long-term boarding of pets and the purchase of new furnishings or personal effects.

- The cost of moving a mobile home if the mobile home is the employee's primary residence.
- Temporary living expenses for the employee under the provisions of Chapter 15, Expense Reimbursement, using one of the following options, which shall be chosen by the Appointing Authority after consultation with the employee.
 - Option 1: Reimbursement for travel expenses, including meals and mileage, for travel between the old residence and new work location on a daily basis for up to ninety (90) days or until the date of the move to a new permanent residence occurs, whichever comes first, or
 - Option 2: Reimbursement for actual lodging, meal and other standard travel expenses at the temporary residence and the cost of return trips to the old residence once a week, for a period ending when the employee moves into their new permanent residence, or ninety (90) calendar days after the effective date of the appointment making the employee eligible for relocation, or on a date specified by the Appointing Authority, whichever comes first, or
 - Option 3: Reimbursement for actual lodging, meal and other standard travel expenses at the temporary residence and the cost of return trips to the old residence once a week until the employee moves into their new residence, not to exceed an amount established by the Appointing Authority. The Appointing Authority shall not establish an amount that exceeds the cost of ninety (90) days of reimbursement for meals and reasonable lodging. Reimbursement shall be on the basis of receipts for actual expenses.

Employees may receive reimbursement for expenses under more than one of these options during one relocation with the prior approval of the Appointing Authority, as long as only one option applies to any one (1) week of relocation status. The Appointing Authority may extend the period of reimbursement up to an additional ninety (90) days.

Employees receiving reimbursement for temporary living expenses under either Option 2 or Option 3 may be reimbursed for the short-term rental of an apartment, house or other residence instead of reimbursement for hotel or motel room rental, with the approval of the Appointing Authority, provided that the rental rate for the alternative housing is less than or comparable to

hotel or motel rates and provided that the rental residence is available to all potential renters. When reviewing requests for rental of alternative short-term housing, Appointing Authorities may take into account the lower cost of groceries for the employee compared to reimbursement for restaurant meals.

Employees receiving reimbursement under Options 2 or 3 shall not receive reimbursement for daily commuting to work from the temporary residence, however, they may be reimbursed for "local miles" driven while searching for a new residence.

- Travel expenses for the employee's spouse to travel twice between the old and new work locations prior to the time of the move, including meals, mileage and lodging, not to exceed a total of seven (7) calendar days.
- Travel expenses for the employee's family from the old work location to the new work location at the time of the move, consistent with the provisions of Chapter 15 on Expense Reimbursement.
- At the option of the Appointing Authority, up to seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) for employment assistance provided to the employee's spouse by an outside job placement agency or resume preparation service, if the spouse was employed in the origin city at the time of the relocation. Services include:
 - Skills assessment;
 - Resume preparation;
 - Coaching in interview techniques;
 - Job placement assistance.

Chapter 17 – Housing

Rental Rates.

An Appointing Authority shall not require an employee to pay rent when occupying a State-owned residence as a condition of employment. An employee who is not required by the Appointing Authority to live in a State-owned residence as a condition of employment shall pay the rental rate established by the Commissioner of Administration.

In the event the Appointing Authority requires an employee to vacate a State-owned residence, the employee shall be given not less than six (6) calendar months in which to find alternate housing, except in instances where the employee leaves employment with the Appointing Authority, or accepts another position in State service not requiring housing in a State-owned residence.

Utilities and Repairs.

The employee shall pay for utilities unless the Appointing Authority requires an employee to maintain an office in the State-owned residence, in which case, the Appointing Authority shall determine and pay a prorated share of the utilities' costs related to the operation of the office.

The employee occupying the residence shall be responsible for routine maintenance. Necessary decorating, painting, and repairs shall be done by the State at no cost to the employee. The employee shall not alter any plumbing, wiring, or any roof, wall, or partition without express written approval from the Appointing Authority working within guidelines of the Department of

Administration's Real Estate Management Division. The employee may be held responsible for alteration or damage beyond ordinary wear.

Chapter 18 – Employee Safety

Safety Promotion.

Minnesota Management and Budget and the Minnesota Department of Administration strive to ensure that all departments and agencies in the executive branch establish and maintain effective health and safety programs for State workers. They strive to ensure that these programs meet minimum employer standards and maintain compliance with federal, state, and local regulations. Minnesota Management and Budget and Department of Administration provide guidance to State agencies by setting achievable statewide goals and policies, assist in the development and delivery of departmental programs, administer workers' compensation claims, identify health and safety resources, and design effective training programs.

Minnesota Management and Budget and Department of Administration will strive to meet this responsibility and will continue to improve our Health and Safety Program wherever possible to reduce and eliminate hazards at every opportunity.

It shall be the policy of the Appointing Authority to provide for the health and safety of its employees by providing safe working conditions, safe work areas, and safe work methods. Employees shall have the responsibility to use all provided safety equipment and procedures in their daily work and failure to use this equipment and procedures may result in disciplinary action. Employees shall cooperate in all safety and accident prevention programs.

The employee's personal health and safety depend primarily on the employee. Safety is acquired through constant attention to good work practices and the application of good, common sense. Employees shall immediately notify their supervisor of all incidents of workplace violence, unsafe equipment or hazardous job conditions.

Protective Equipment.

The Appointing Authority shall provide and maintain protective equipment or clothing, including safety glasses, safety helmets, and safety vests whenever such equipment is required as a condition of employment by State or Federal regulation.

Medical Examinations.

If required by the Appointing Authority as part of general health and safety programs or to comply with State and Federal health and safety requirements, medical examinations shall be provided at no cost to the employee. The Appointing Authority shall receive a copy of the medical report.

Work-Related Injuries.

An employee who is injured or who is involved in an accident during the course of their employment shall report the accident to their immediate supervisor as soon as possible after the injury or accident occurs.

Chapter 19 – Workers’ Compensation; Injured on Duty Pay

Injured on Duty Pay.

An employee who incurs a disabling injury in the ordinary course of employment may be eligible for injured on duty pay. Such injury must be the direct result of an aggressive, criminal and/or intentional and overt act of a person or be incurred while attempting to apprehend or take into custody such person. If such an injury requires the employee to seek medical attention during or immediately following their shift, they shall be compensated a for the time spent in an urgent care or emergency room setting until hospital admission and/or discharge, for a period not to exceed four (4) hours. If transport to a secondary medical facility is required, up to an additional four (4) hours shall be granted. To be eligible for such pay, an employee shall have been acting in a reasonable and prudent manner in compliance with established policies and procedures of the Appointing Authority when the injury was incurred.

This language is not intended to cover situations of employee-on-employee violence. However, there may be exceptions when the injury is incurred as part of performing one’s job duties; for example, a licensed police officer injured while apprehending an employee would receive injured on duty pay if injured by the intentional act of that employee.

An eligible employee shall receive compensation in an amount equal to the difference between the employee’s regular rate of pay and benefits paid under Workers' Compensation. Such injured on duty pay shall not exceed an amount equal to three hundred (300) times the employee's regular hourly rate of pay per disabling injury, and shall not affect the employee's regular accrued vacation, sick leave, or overtime credits.

The provisions of this Chapter shall also apply to Natural Resources Enforcement Supervisors in the Department of Natural Resources and Lieutenants, Majors, and Captains in the State Patrol if the disabling injury is the direct result of performing assigned duties involving enforcement, investigation or assistance.

Other Job-Related Injuries.

An employee incurring an on the job injury shall be paid their regular rate of pay for the remainder of the scheduled work day without deduction from vacation or sick leave accruals. An employee who incurs a compensable illness or injury and receives workers' compensation benefits may elect to use accumulated vacation leave, sick leave, and/or compensatory time, during an absence resulting from an injury or illness for which a claim for workers' compensation is made or while an award of benefits is pending. Such leave may be used on the following basis:

- The employee retains the workers' compensation benefit check and receives payments from sick leave, vacation leave and/or compensatory time in an amount which will total their regular gross pay for the period of time involved provided that the total rate of compensation shall not exceed the regular compensation of the employee (M.S. 176.021, subdivision 5). Employees shall notify the Appointing Authority in writing of whether and how they wish to supplement their workers’ compensation check through use of sick leave, vacation leave and/or compensatory time. Sick leave must be exhausted before vacation leave or compensatory time is used. If an employee uses leave and/or compensatory time while awaiting a determination on a workers’ compensation claim, the Appointing Authority shall collect the payroll overpayment through prior pay period adjustments and restore to the employee’s balance the number of hours equal to the workers’ compensation check divided by the employee’s hourly rate.

- Alternatively, the employee retains the workers' compensation benefit check and takes an unpaid medical leave as provided in Chapter 6 during the time they are unable to work.
- An employee shall return from medical leave as provided in Chapter 6 as long as the employee's medical release (with or without restrictions) enables the employee to perform the essential functions of the position as determined by the Appointing Authority.

Vacation and Sick Leave Accruals.

An eligible employee receiving workers' compensation benefits supplemented by vacation leave, sick leave, and/or compensatory time shall accrue vacation and sick leave for the total number of hours compensated by workers' compensation, sick leave, vacation leave, and compensatory time. An employee on unpaid medical leave does not accrue vacation or sick leave.

Insurance.

For employees who are off the State payroll due to a work-related injury or disability, benefits provided under Chapter 13 of this Plan shall continue as long as the employee is receiving workers' compensation payments or is on an approved medical leave.

Chapter 20 – Americans with Disabilities Act

Purpose.

The Appointing Authority has an obligation to provide reasonable accommodation to individuals qualified under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) so long as such accommodation does not impose an undue hardship, and where possible to place employees returning from workers' compensation injuries. The Appointing Authority shall provide these reasonable accommodations in a fair and equitable manner.

Process.

While considering employee requests for reasonable accommodation, the Appointing Authority shall review other options, including, but not limited to, equipment purchase or modification, accessibility improvement, and scheduling modifications and/or restructuring of current positions and non-essential duties.

Chapter 21 – Early Retirement Incentive

An Appointing Authority may, at its discretion, offer an early retirement incentive to certain employees. To be eligible for the early retirement incentive, employees must be eligible to retire, and must be: (1) employed in a position that is being permanently eliminated or reduced, or (2) employed by a department in which programs are being eliminated or reduced. For purposes of this paragraph, a person retires when the person terminates active employment in State service and applies for a retirement annuity for which the person is eligible.

The retirement incentive shall consist of one of the following:

1. Up to twelve months of the Employer Contribution to health and dental benefits for which the employee was eligible at the time of retirement, subject to any changes in benefits or coverages for managers in positions equivalent to those from which they retired. Eligibility for the Employer Contribution to the insurance premiums must cease at the end of the month in which the employee becomes Medicare eligible or chooses not to receive an annuity, whichever occurs first. Receipt

of early retirement insurance benefits is contingent upon completion of all the required forms and continued payment of the non-State portion of the insurance premium.

2. One (1) or more lump sum payments to an individual Minnesota State Retirement System Health Care Savings Plan. The total amount paid to such an account for any individual shall not exceed the value of \$1,000 per complete year of state service, not to exceed \$30,000.

Employees Covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan.

- A. **Post-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive.** This incentive is available to an employee who is at least fifty-five (55) years of age and is covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911) and is eligible for an annuity. An employee who meets these criteria and retires during the pay period in which their fifty-fifth (55th) birthday occurs or any time thereafter, shall be entitled to receive an Employer contribution toward health and dental insurance coverage in accordance with the following:
- Subject to the provisions set forth in paragraph C, an employee must have ten (10) years of service in a position covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911). The employee and the Employer must have made the statutorily required retirement contributions to the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911) during the ten (10) year period.
 - If the employee meets the criteria above, the Employer shall pay the full Employer contribution for health and dental insurance, as specified in Chapter 13, until the employee reaches age sixty-five (65). The employee shall be responsible for payment of the employee contribution.
 - In the event that a retired State Patrol Major who had elected health and/or dental coverage with eligible dependents dies before attaining the age of sixty-five (65), the enrolled dependent spouse and/or enrolled dependent child(ren) shall continue to receive maintain the existing employer contribution for health and/or dental coverages until such time that the employee would have turned age 65.
- B. **Pre-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive.** This incentive is available to an employee who is covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911), is eligible for an annuity, and retires at or after age fifty (50) but before age fifty-five (55). Notwithstanding any changes in coverage in accordance with this Commissioner's Plan, the Employer contribution for the Pre-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive shall be equal to one hundred twenty (120) times the amount of the monthly Employer contribution for health and dental insurance applicable to the employee at the time of retirement divided by the number of months until the employee reaches the age of sixty-five (65). This will be the amount of the monthly Employer contribution until the employee reaches the age of sixty-five (65). The employee shall pay the remaining monthly portion.
- C. **Conditions for Eligibility to the Post-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive and the Pre-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive.** The employee must be in payroll status, in a position covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911) for a minimum of five (5) consecutive years prior to the time

of retirement and during the five (5) years the employee and the Employer were paying the statutorily required contributions to the State Patrol Retirement Fund or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan. However, an employee remains eligible for the Post-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive and the Pre-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive if, as the result of a workers' compensation injury, they must move from a position covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund (M.S. §352B) or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan (M.S. §§352.91 and 352.911) to a state position covered by any other state retirement plan. Such an employee must retire from a position in state service and is subject to all other requirements and conditions of the Post-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive or Pre-Fifty-Five Early Retirement Incentive. The agency in which the workers' compensation injury occurred shall be responsible for paying any Employer contribution under this provision.

An employee exercising either of these options must be receiving an Employer contribution for health and dental coverage at the time of retirement.

An employee who retires with no Employer contribution for dependent coverage or who terminates dependent coverage following retirement may add a dependent in accordance with Chapter 13, Insurance, Section 5B1, Changes Due to a Life Event. However, that employee shall not subsequently be eligible for an Employer contribution for dependent coverage, except when the dependent is the employee's spouse and the spouse, immediately at the time of his or her retirement, is enrolled in SEGIP and is receiving an Employer contribution for health and dental insurance.

Receipt of retirement insurance benefits is dependent on the employee completing all required forms and continuing to pay any required premium.

An employee eligible to receive an Employer contribution for health and dental insurance coverage shall continue to receive the coverage to which the employee was entitled at the time of retirement until they reach age sixty-five (65), subject to any changes in coverage in accordance with this or any subsequent Commissioner's Plan.

Appendix A – Glossary

"Actively at Work" means that an employee is in active payroll status and not using paid or unpaid leave.

"A.D.A." means the Americans with Disabilities Act, Federal civil rights legislation protecting the rights of individuals with disabilities.

"Administrative Procedures" means the Administrative Procedures of Minnesota Management and Budget developed in accord with M.S. 43A.04, subdivision 4.

"Advisory Testing" means a process used to determine an employee's qualifications in some transfer, demotion and/or layoff situations.

"Agency" means a department, commission, board, institution, or other employing entity of the civil service, in which all positions are under the same appointing authority.

"Applicant Pool" means a group of applicants who have been determined to meet the minimum qualifications for a vacant position.

"Appointing Authority" means a person or a group of persons empowered by the Constitution, statute, or executive order to employ persons in or to make appointments to positions in the civil service.

"Appointment" means the act of filling a civil service position.

"Change in Allocation" means reclassification resulting from abrupt, management-imposed changes in the duties and responsibilities of a position. See Chapter 8.

"Class" or "Classification" means one (1) or more positions sufficiently similar with respect to duties and responsibilities that the same descriptive title may be used with clarity to designate each position allocated to the class, that the same general qualifications are needed for performance of the duties of the class, and that the same schedule of pay can be applied with equity to all positions in the class under the same or substantially the same employment conditions.

"Class Specifications" means the Minnesota Management and Budget's description of a job classification including typical responsibilities and the knowledge, skills and abilities required.

"Classified Service" means all positions now existing or hereafter created in the civil service and not specifically designated unclassified pursuant to M.S. 43A.08 or other enabling legislation. See also "Unclassified Service."

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget unless otherwise specified.

"Comparable Class" means a class which is a transfer from the employee's current class. See "Transfer".

"Confidential Employee" has the meaning given by M.S. 179A.03, subd. 4. These employees are not represented.

"Delegated Authority" means the responsibility and accountability given to an agency by Minnesota Management and Budget to perform certain classification, compensation, selection or other Human Resources-related administrative functions associated with the Commissioner's statutory authority. Delegated authority varies from agency to agency, at the discretion of the Commissioner.

"Demotion" means the downward movement of an employee to a different class which has a maximum salary that is two (2) or more salary steps below the maximum of the current class.

"Department" means Minnesota Management and Budget unless otherwise specified.

"E.A.P." means the Employee Assistance Program, a service available to all state employees, which provides assistance and referral for a variety of situations including emotional, financial, family, and chemical dependency problems.

"Emergency Employee" means an employee who is appointed for no more than forty-five (45) aggregate work days in any twelve (12) month period for any single Appointing Authority.

"Employer" means, for the purposes of this Plan, employees of the Executive Branch and the three (3) retirement systems, Minnesota Management and Budget.

"Employment Condition" means any limitation on full-time, unlimited employment caused by the number of hours of work and the appointment status assigned to an employee. Hours of work may be full-time, part-time, or intermittent. Appointment status may be unlimited, limited temporary, limited emergency, or seasonal.

"Finalist Pool" means a group of applicants from the applicant pool who have been determined to best meet all the qualifications for a vacant position.

"FLSA (Fair Labor Standards Act)" is a federal law which governs hours of work and overtime provisions for all workers.

"F.M.L.A." means the Family and Medical Leave Act, a Federal law mandating up to twelve (12) weeks of job protected leave to eligible employees for certain family and/or medical reasons consistent with the Act, relevant State law and this plan. For more information, see the Statewide Policy on FMLA.

"Full-time Employee" means an employee who is normally scheduled to work an average of at least eighty (80) hours per pay period.

"Garrity Warning" means a warning given to an employee by an employer during an employment investigation that requires an employee to either provide information or be disciplined or discharged for refusing to provide information. If such a warning is given, the employee may object to the use of such information in a subsequent criminal proceeding on the basis that a self-incriminating statement was made under duress.

"Health Treatment Professional" means an employee in the Health Treatment Bargaining Unit or an employee whose position has been assigned to that bargaining unit but who is not covered under the provisions of a collective bargaining agreement and who is not a Medical Specialist.

"Initial Entry" means an individual's first appointment to State service.

"Initial Probationary Period" means the first probationary period served by an employee upon entry to the classified service (see Probationary Period).

"Insufficient Work Time Employee" means an employee who works less than fourteen (14) hours per week or less than sixty-seven (67) days in any calendar year. See Chapter 1.

"Interchange Assignment" means a voluntary, limited assignment of a classified employee to alternative duties within another state agency, governmental jurisdiction, or private employer, under Administrative Procedure 1.1. See Chapter 8.

"Intermittent Employee" means an employee who works an irregular and uncertain schedule which alternately begins, ceases, and begins again as the needs of the agency require.

"Lower Class" means a class which is a demotion from the employee's current class. See "Demotion."

MERP.

"MMB" means Minnesota Management and Budget.

"M.S." means the Minnesota Statutes.

“Non-certification” means a decision not to certify an employee to permanent status in the position for which the employee is serving an initial (including extended) or subsequent probationary period.

“OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Act)” is a federal law which governs safety and health issues in the workplace.

“Pay Period” means the two (2) week period of time beginning on a specified Wednesday and ending on the second Tuesday following, which is used for calculating each employee's wages for that two (2) week period.

“Payroll Status” means that an employee is receiving payment for hours worked or for hours on an approved paid leave.

“Part-time Employee” means an employee who is normally scheduled to work on a regular and recurring schedule of less than eighty (80) hours in a pay period.

“Permanent Status” means the state or condition achieved by an employee in the classified service who has successfully completed an initial probationary period or a probationary period required following reinstatement, or whose probationary period is waived through specific statutory direction. Permanent status does not include an employee while they are serving in the unclassified service, even if they are on unclassified service leave from a classified position for which they have permanent status. Employees on unclassified service leave may have return rights to the classified service as described in Chapters 6 and 9.

“Probationary Appointment” means an appointment during a probationary period, including initial, extended, and subsequent probationary periods, regardless of whether the probationary period is required or optional. A probationary appointment may be terminated at will.

“Probationary Period” means a working period following unlimited appointment to a position in the classified service, during which the employee is required to demonstrate ability to perform the duties and fulfill the responsibilities of the position. See Chapter 7.

“Promotion” means the upward movement of an employee to a different class which has a salary range maximum which is two (2) or more salary steps higher than the maximum of the current class or which requires an increase of two (2) or more steps to pay the employee at the minimum of the new range.

“Provisional” means an appointment in accord with M.S. 43A.15, subdivision 4, when there is no fully qualified person suitable or available for appointment. Provisional appointments may not last longer than a maximum of twelve (12) months except for persons provisionally appointed to physician positions or other positions requiring licensure or certification.

“Reallocation” means a reclassification resulting from significant changes over a period of time in the duties and responsibilities of a position. See Chapter 8.

“Reassignment” means the management-directed movement of an employee between two (2) positions in the same class and agency.

“Recall” means the reappointment of an employee from a layoff list. See Chapter 10.

"Reclassification" means changing the assignment of a position to a higher, lower, or comparable class. See Chapter 8.

"Recomparison" means a change in the classification to which a vacant or occupied position in the unclassified service is compared (allocated). The new job class may be higher, lower, or equal, but the position and incumbent, if any, remain unclassified.

"Reinstatement" means the appointment of a current or former permanent or probationary employee to a class within four (4) years of the employee's separation from the class.

"Related Classes" means those classes which are similar in nature and character of work performed and which require similar qualifications.

"Seasonal Employee" means an employee appointed for no more than ten (10) months during any twelve (12) consecutive months but who is expected to return to work year after year.

"Student Worker" means an unclassified employee in accord with M.S. 43A.08, subdivision 1(16), who is currently enrolled in an educational institution while working part-time or full-time. Student workers differ from interns in that they are not working to fulfill an academic requirement or to receive academic credit.

"Temporary Employee" means an employee who is appointed in accord with M.S. 43A.15, subdivision 3, with a definite ending date. A temporary appointment may not exceed a total of twelve (12) months in any twenty-four (24) month period in any one agency.

"Tennessee Warning" means an explanation required under M.S. 13.04 of the Data Practices Act when someone is asked to supply private or confidential data to a state agency. The warning must identify: (a) the purpose and intended use of the data; (b) whether the individual may refuse or is legally required to supply the requested data; (c) any consequence arising from supplying/refusing to supply the data; and (d) the identity of persons authorized by law to receive the data.

"Transfer" means the lateral movement of an employee to a position in: 1) the same class in a different agency, or 2) a different class assigned to the same salary range, or 3) a different class with a salary range maximum less than two (2) steps higher than the maximum of the current class and where the employee's current salary is less than two (2) steps below the minimum of the new class. A transfer to a different class may occur within an agency or between two (2) different agencies. Reassignment of an employee does not constitute a transfer.

"Unclassified Service" means all positions specifically designated as not being classified pursuant to M.S. 43A.08 and other enabling legislation. Unclassified employees do not accrue seniority; do not serve a probationary period; are not subject to the layoff provisions of this Plan; and may be terminated at will.

"Unlimited" means an appointment or position is ongoing and has no specified duration.

"U.S.C." means the United States Code.

(Refer also to the definitions contained in M.S. 43A.02 or in Personnel Rules 1983, Rule 3900.0400.)

Appendix B – Vacation Leave Proration Schedule

Commissioner’s Plan – Except Health Treatment Professionals

For purposes of this Appendix, “hours worked/paid” means all hours worked, and all paid leaves of absence, paid vacation and sick leave, paid holidays and compensatory time off. Overtime hours are included in “hours worked/paid” based on the number of hours worked, not the number of hours compensated.

Length of Service Requirement

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period	0 through 5 years	After 5 through 8 years	After 8 through 12 years	After 12 through 18 years	After 18 through 25 years	After 25 through 30 years	After 30 years
Less than 9.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
At least 9.5, but less than 19.5	.75	1	1.25	1.50	1.50	1.75	1.75
At least 19.5, but less than 29.5	1	1.25	1.75	2	2	2.25	2.25
At least 29.5, but less than 39.5	1.50	2	2.75	3	3	3.25	3.50
At least 39.5, but less than 49.5	2	2.50	3.50	3.75	4	4.25	4.50
At least 49.5, but less than 59.5	2.50	3.25	4.50	4.75	5	5.50	5.75
At least 59.5, but less than 69.5	3	3.75	5.25	5.75	6	6.50	6.75
At least 69.5, but less than 79.5	3.50	4.50	6.25	6.75	7	7.50	8
At least 79.5	4	5	7	7.50	8	8.50	9

Health Treatment Professionals

For purposes of this Appendix, “hours worked/paid” means all hours worked, and all paid leaves of absence, paid vacation and sick leave, paid holidays and compensatory time off. Overtime hours are included in “hours worked/paid” based on the number of hours worked, not the number of hours compensated.

Length of Service Requirement

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period	0 through 5 years	After 5 through 8 years	After 8 through 10 years	After 10 through 18 years	After 18 through 25 years	After 25 years
Less than 9.5	0	0	0	0	0	0
At least 9.5, but less than 19.5	.75	1.25	1.50	1.50	1.75	1.75
At least 19.5, but less than 29.5	1.50	1.75	2	2	2.25	2.25
At least 29.5, but less than 39.5	2.25	2.75	3	3	3.25	3.50

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period	0 through 5 years	After 5 through 8 years	After 8 through 10 years	After 10 through 18 years	After 18 through 25 years	After 25 years
At least 39.5, but less than 49.5	3	3.50	3.75	4	4.25	4.50
At least 49.5, but less than 59.5	3.75	4.50	4.75	5	5.50	5.75
At least 59.5, but less than 69.5	4.50	5.25	5.75	6	6.50	6.75
At least 69.5, but less than 79.5	5.25	6.25	6.75	7	7.50	8
At least 79.5	6	7	7.50	8	8.50	9

Appendix C – Sick Leave Proration Schedule

For purposes of this Appendix, “hours worked/paid” means all hours worked, and all paid leaves of absence, paid vacation and sick leave, paid holidays and compensatory time off. Overtime hours are included in “hours worked/paid” based on the number of hours worked, not the number of hours compensated.

Permanent Employees (and Temporary Employees as of 2024)

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period	Number of Hours Accrued
Less than 9.5	0
At least 9.5, but less than 19.5	0.75
At least 19.5, but less than 29.5	1
At least 29.5, but less than 39.5	1.50
At least 39.5, but less than 49.5	2
At least 49.5, but less than 59.5	2.50
At least 59.5, but less than 69.5	3
At least 69.5, but less than 79.5	3.50
At least 79.5	4

Intermittent and Emergency Employees as of 2024

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period**	Number of Hours Accrued
Less than ¼	0
At least ¼, but less than 9 ½	.25
At least 9 ½, but less than 19 ½	.75
At least 19 ½, but less than 29 ½	1
At least 29 ½, but less than 39 ½	1.5
At least 39 ½, but less than 49 ½	2

Number of Hours Worked/Paid During Pay Period**	Number of Hours Accrued
At least 49½, but less than 59½	2.5
At least 59½, but less than 69½	3
At least 69½, but less than 79½	3.5
At least 79½	4

Appendix D – Holiday Proration Schedule

Eligible employees who normally work less than full-time shall have their holiday pay prorated on the following basis:

Hours that would have been worked during the Pay Period had there been no Holiday	Holiday hours earned for each Holiday in the Pay Period
Less than 9½	0
At least 9½ but less than 19½	1
At least 19½ but less than 29½	2
At least 29½ but less than 39½	3
At least 39½ but less than 49½	4
At least 49½ but less than 59½	5
At least 59½ but less than 69½	6
At least 69½ but less than 72	7
At least 72	8

Appendix E – Salary Range Assignments

Salary Range Assignments as of July 1, 2023

Note: Salary Range Assignment List may not reflect Range Reassignments which occurred after July 1, 2023. Current Salary Assignment Document is located on the [HR Toolbox](#) and on MMB's [Salary Plans](#) webpage.

This list includes only those classifications in which 50% or more of current incumbents are covered by the Commissioner's Plan as of July 1, 2023. Classifications with no current incumbents are not listed. For a complete list of active classifications, please refer to the HR Toolbox.

Job Code	Job Title	Grid #	Comp Code
001450	Affirmative Action Off 4	N14G	16L
008621	Appeals Court Attorney	N14G	08L
003825	Behavioral Med Practitioner	N14O	200
000228	Dentist	N14G	36L

Job Code	Job Title	Grid #	Comp Code
002364	Enterprise Strategy Analyst	N14G	20L
000293	Exec 2	N6	70M
000652	Human Resources Consultant 1	N14G	16L
003882	Human Resources Consultant 2	N14G	19L
000500	Human Resources Director 1	N16E	23K
000498	Human Resources Specialist 1	N14G	07L
001423	Human Resources Specialist 2	N14G	10L
003017	Human Resources Specialist 3	N14G	13L
002367	Human Resources Supervisor 1	N16E	12K
002368	Human Resources Supervisor 2	N16E	15K
003726	Human Resources Supervisor 3	N16E	17K
000499	Human Resources Supervisor 4	N16E	20K
000881	Human Resources Technician 1	N7	63M
001486	Human Resources Technician 2	N7	65M
002482	Labor Relations Consultant 1	N14G	13L
002483	Labor Relations Consultant 2	N14G	16L
002692	Labor Relations Consultant 4	N14G	23L
000075	Mediator	N14G	24L
000367	Pharmacist	N14G	27L
001883	Pharmacist Senior	N14G	30L
001347	Pharmacy Surveyor	N14G	30L
001730	Pilot	N14G	18L
001731	Pilot Chief	N16E	25K
007994	State Patrol Major	N16L	37B
008564	Trainee-Mediator	N14G	20E
000751	Veterinarian	N14G	17L
003950	Veterinary Intern	N14G	01E
003295	Workers Comp Claims Mgt Supv 2	N16E	23K

Appendix F-1 – Commissioner’s Plan Compensation Grids

Compensation Grid N6, Commissioner’s Plan Clerical Ranges 50-77, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

**Compensation Grid N6
Commissioner's Plan Clerical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
50	HR	15.66	16.00	16.37	16.66	16.90	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	
50	YR	32,698	33,408	34,181	34,786	35,287	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	
51	HR	16.00	16.37	16.66	16.90	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	
51	YR	33,408	34,181	34,786	35,287	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	
52	HR	16.37	16.66	16.90	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19
52	YR	34,181	34,786	35,287	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333
53	HR	16.66	16.90	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	
53	YR	34,786	35,287	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	
54	HR	16.90	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	
54	YR	35,287	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	
55	HR	17.24	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	
55	YR	35,997	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	
56	HR	17.54	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62
56	YR	36,624	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407
57	HR	17.91	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32
57	YR	37,396	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868
58	HR	18.28	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	
58	YR	38,169	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	
59	HR	18.72	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81
59	YR	39,087	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979
60	HR	19.16	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55
60	YR	40,006	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524
61	HR	19.57	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	
61	YR	40,862	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
62	HR	20.01	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	
62	YR	41,781	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	
63	HR	20.49	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	
63	YR	42,783	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	
64	HR	20.96	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	
64	YR	43,764	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	
65	HR	21.53	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	
65	YR	44,955	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	
66	HR	22.19	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	
66	YR	46,333	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	
67	HR	22.74	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	
67	YR	47,481	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	
68	HR	23.33	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	
68	YR	48,713	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	
69	HR	23.95	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	
69	YR	50,008	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	
70	HR	24.62	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	
70	YR	51,407	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	
71	HR	25.32	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	
71	YR	52,868	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	
72	HR	25.95	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	
72	YR	54,184	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	
73	HR	26.81	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	37.56	
73	YR	55,979	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	78,425	
74	HR	27.55	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	37.56	38.52	
74	YR	57,524	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	78,425	80,430	
75	HR	28.37	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	37.56	38.52	39.29	
75	YR	59,237	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	78,425	80,430	82,038	
76	HR	29.12	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	37.56	38.52	39.29	40.16	
76	YR	60,803	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	78,425	80,430	82,038	83,854	

**Compensation Grid N6
Commissioner's Plan Clerical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
77	HR	29.87	30.68	31.54	32.39	33.20	34.15	35.00	35.85	36.74	37.56	38.52	39.29	40.16	41.03	
77	YR	62,369	64,060	65,856	67,630	69,322	71,305	73,080	74,855	76,713	78,425	80,430	82,038	83,854	85,671	

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Monthly Salary Rate - 174 x Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N7, Commissioner's Plan Technical

Ranges 50-77, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

**Compensation Grid N7
Commissioner's Plan Technical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
50	HR	15.86	16.13	16.49	16.82	17.20	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	
50	YR	33,116	33,679	34,431	35,120	35,914	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	
51	HR	16.13	16.49	16.82	17.20	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	
51	YR	33,679	34,431	35,120	35,914	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	
52	HR	16.49	16.82	17.20	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	
52	YR	34,431	35,120	35,914	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	
53	HR	16.82	17.20	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	
53	YR	35,120	35,914	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	
54	HR	17.20	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	
54	YR	35,914	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	
55	HR	17.52	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	
55	YR	36,582	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	
56	HR	17.88	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	
56	YR	37,333	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	
57	HR	18.26	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	
57	YR	38,127	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	
58	HR	18.72	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	
58	YR	39,087	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	
59	HR	19.16	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	
59	YR	40,006	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	
60	HR	19.69	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	
60	YR	41,113	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	
61	HR	20.13	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	
61	YR	42,031	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	
62	HR	20.64	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	
62	YR	43,096	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	

Compensation Grid N7
Commissioner's Plan Technical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
63	HR	21.05	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	
63	YR	43,952	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	
64	HR	21.60	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	
64	YR	45,101	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	
65	HR	22.26	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	
65	YR	46,479	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	
66	HR	23.01	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	
66	YR	48,045	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	
67	HR	23.59	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	
67	YR	49,256	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	
68	HR	24.24	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	
68	YR	50,613	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	
69	HR	24.91	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	
69	YR	52,012	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	
70	HR	25.68	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	
70	YR	53,620	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	
71	HR	26.31	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	
71	YR	54,935	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	
72	HR	27.13	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	
72	YR	56,647	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	
73	HR	27.98	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	39.78	
73	YR	58,422	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	83,061	
74	HR	28.83	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	39.78	40.70	
74	YR	60,197	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	83,061	84,982	
75	HR	29.65	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	39.78	40.70	41.64	
75	YR	61,909	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	83,061	84,982	86,944	
76	HR	30.52	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	39.78	40.70	41.64	42.58	
76	YR	63,726	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	83,061	84,982	86,944	88,907	
77	HR	31.38	32.28	33.16	34.15	35.07	35.96	36.87	37.87	38.77	39.78	40.70	41.64	42.58	43.43	
77	YR	65,521	67,401	69,238	71,305	73,226	75,084	76,985	79,073	80,952	83,061	84,982	86,944	88,907	90,682	

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Monthly Salary Rate - $174 \times$ Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N14F, Commissioner's Plan Information Technology Specialist
Ranges 06-31, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

Compensation Grid N14F
Commissioner's Plan Information Technology Specialist
Ranges 06-31
Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15	Step P 16
06	YR	50,279	51,991	53,662	55,457	57,253	59,278	61,325	63,413	65,709	67,902	70,261	72,976	75,460			
06	HR	24.08	24.90	25.70	26.56	27.42	28.39	29.37	30.37	31.47	32.52	33.65	34.95	36.14			
09	YR	55,457	57,253	59,278	61,325	63,413	65,709	67,902	70,261	72,976	75,627	78,196	80,973	84,063	87,049	90,202	
09	HR	26.56	27.42	28.39	29.37	30.37	31.47	32.52	33.65	34.95	36.22	37.45	38.78	40.26	41.69	43.20	
14	YR	65,709	67,902	70,261	72,976	75,627	78,196	80,973	84,063	87,049	90,264	93,501	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,012	
14	HR	31.47	32.52	33.65	34.95	36.22	37.45	38.78	40.26	41.69	43.23	44.78	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.73	
17	YR	72,976	75,627	78,196	80,973	84,063	87,049	90,264	93,501	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,373	
17	HR	34.95	36.22	37.45	38.78	40.26	41.69	43.23	44.78	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.65	
19	YR	78,196	80,973	84,063	87,049	90,264	93,501	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716
19	HR	37.45	38.78	40.26	41.69	43.23	44.78	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04
21	YR	84,063	87,049	90,264	93,501	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,820	138,706	143,446
21	HR	40.26	41.69	43.23	44.78	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.09	66.43	68.70
23	YR	90,264	93,501	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716	138,706	143,446	148,645	153,927
23	HR	43.23	44.78	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04	66.43	68.70	71.19	73.72
25	YR	96,841	100,642	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716	138,706	143,446	148,645	153,927	159,502	165,265
25	HR	46.38	48.20	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04	66.43	68.70	71.19	73.72	76.39	79.15
27	YR	104,358	108,179	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716	138,706	143,446	148,645	153,927	159,502	165,265	171,195	177,376
27	HR	49.98	51.81	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04	66.43	68.70	71.19	73.72	76.39	79.15	81.99	84.95
29	YR	112,376	116,218	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716	138,706	143,446	148,645	153,927	159,502	165,265	171,195	177,376	183,723	190,384
29	HR	53.82	55.66	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04	66.43	68.70	71.19	73.72	76.39	79.15	81.99	84.95	87.99	91.18
31	YR	120,331	124,654	129,143	133,716	138,706	143,446	148,645	153,927	159,502	165,265	171,195	177,376	183,723	190,384	197,212	204,311
31	HR	57.63	59.70	61.85	64.04	66.43	68.70	71.19	73.72	76.39	79.15	81.99	84.95	87.99	91.18	94.45	97.85

YR - Yearly Salary Rate
MO - Monthly Salary Rate
HR - Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N14G, Commissioner’s Plan Professional Employees

Ranges 01-40, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

Compensation Grid N14G

Commissioner's Plan Professional Employees

Ranges 01 - 40

Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
01	YR	40,403	41,927	43,764	45,393	47,210	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508
01	HR	19.35	20.08	20.96	21.74	22.61	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50
02	YR	41,927	43,764	45,393	47,210	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533
02	HR	20.08	20.96	21.74	22.61	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47
03	YR	43,764	45,393	47,210	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788
03	HR	20.96	21.74	22.61	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55
04	YR	45,393	47,210	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918
04	HR	21.74	22.61	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57
05	YR	47,210	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298
05	HR	22.61	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71
06	YR	48,797	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783
06	HR	23.37	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90
07	YR	50,530	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351
07	HR	24.20	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13
08	YR	52,033	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878
08	HR	24.92	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34
09	YR	53,850	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613
09	HR	25.79	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65
10	YR	55,624	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557
10	HR	26.64	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06
11	YR	57,587	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543
11	HR	27.58	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49
12	YR	59,508	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550
12	HR	28.50	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
13	YR	61,533	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849
13	HR	29.47	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51
14	YR	63,788	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002
14	HR	30.55	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02
15	YR	65,918	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760
15	HR	31.57	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82
16	YR	68,298	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289
16	HR	32.71	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51
17	YR	70,783	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964
17	HR	33.90	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27
18	YR	73,351	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098
18	HR	35.13	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25
19	YR	75,878	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898
19	HR	36.34	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07
20	YR	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824
20	HR	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95
21	YR	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020
21	HR	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96
22	YR	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384
22	HR	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05
23	YR	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874
23	HR	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20
24	YR	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613
24	HR	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47
25	YR	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458
25	HR	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
26	YR	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448
26	HR	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18
27	YR	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814
27	HR	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75
28	YR	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034
28	HR	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25
29	YR	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505
29	HR	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87
30	YR	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059
30	HR	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53
31	YR	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302
31	HR	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52
32	YR	121,020	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482
32	HR	57.96	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48
33	YR	125,384	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872
33	HR	60.05	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54
34	YR	129,874	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470
34	HR	62.20	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70
35	YR	134,613	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339
35	HR	64.47	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99
36	YR	139,458	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339	205,417
36	HR	66.79	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99	98.38
37	YR	144,448	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339	205,417	212,809
37	HR	69.18	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99	98.38	101.92
38	YR	149,814	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339	205,417	212,809	220,472
38	HR	71.75	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99	98.38	101.92	105.59

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
39	YR	155,034	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339	205,417	212,809	220,472	228,406
39	HR	74.25	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99	98.38	101.92	105.59	109.39
40	YR	160,505	166,059	172,302	178,482	184,872	191,470	198,339	205,417	212,809	220,472	228,406	236,633
40	HR	76.87	79.53	82.52	85.48	88.54	91.70	94.99	98.38	101.92	105.59	109.39	113.33

**Compensation Grid N14O, Health Treatment Professionals
Ranges 20, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024**

**Compensation Grid N14O
 Health Treatment Professionals
 Range 20
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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
20	YR	78,613	81,557	84,543	87,550	90,849	94,002	97,760	101,289	104,964	109,098	112,898	116,824	121,020	125,384	129,874
20	HR	37.65	39.06	40.49	41.93	43.51	45.02	46.82	48.51	50.27	52.25	54.07	55.95	57.96	60.05	62.20

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N16L, Commissioner's Plan State Patrol Majors
Ranges 37-40, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

Compensation Grid N16L
Commissioner's Plan State Patrol Majors
Ranges 37-40
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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02
37	YR	126,220	152,591
37	HR	60.45	73.08
38	YR	129,101	156,120
38	YR	61.83	74.77
39	YR	132,087	159,711
39	YR	63.26	76.49
40	YR	135,114	163,386
40	YR	64.71	78.25

Compensation Grid N16E, Commissioner's Plan Supervisory Employees

Ranges 01-34, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

**Compensation Grid N16E
Commissioner's Plan Professional Employees
Ranges 01 - 34
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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
01	YR	39,421	40,382	41,363	42,553	43,410	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	
01	HR	18.88	19.34	19.81	20.38	20.79	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	
02	YR	40,382	41,363	42,553	43,410	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	
02	HR	19.34	19.81	20.38	20.79	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	
03	YR	41,363	42,553	43,410	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	55,395	
03	HR	19.81	20.38	20.79	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	26.53	
04	YR	42,553	43,410	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	55,395	57,274	
04	HR	20.38	20.79	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	26.53	27.43	
05	YR	43,410	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	55,395	57,274	58,485	
05	HR	20.79	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	26.53	27.43	28.01	
06	YR	44,579	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	55,395	57,274	58,485	60,823	62,661
06	HR	21.35	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	26.53	27.43	28.01	29.13	30.01
07	YR	45,936	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,949	53,495	55,395	57,274	58,485	60,823	62,661	
07	HR	22.00	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.88	25.62	26.53	27.43	28.01	29.13	30.01	
08	YR	47,335	48,609	50,425	51,991	53,620	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656
08	HR	22.67	23.28	24.15	24.90	25.68	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36
09	YR	48,609	50,425	51,991	53,620	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140
09	HR	23.28	24.15	24.90	25.68	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55
10	YR	50,425	51,991	53,620	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126
10	HR	24.15	24.90	25.68	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98
11	YR	51,991	53,620	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841
11	HR	24.90	25.68	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28
12	YR	53,620	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889
12	HR	25.68	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
13	YR	55,666	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875
13	HR	26.66	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17
14	YR	57,754	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090
14	HR	27.66	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71
15	YR	60,134	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390
15	HR	28.80	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29
16	YR	62,327	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730
16	HR	29.85	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89
17	YR	64,603	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217
17	HR	30.94	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56
18	YR	67,150	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934
18	HR	32.16	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34
19	YR	69,656	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421
19	HR	33.36	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01
20	YR	72,140	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221
20	HR	34.55	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83
21	YR	75,126	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084
21	HR	35.98	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68
22	YR	77,841	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281
22	HR	37.28	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69
23	YR	80,889	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373
23	HR	38.74	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65
24	YR	83,875	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695
24	HR	40.17	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72
25	YR	87,090	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247
25	HR	41.71	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90

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26	YR	90,390	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883
26	HR	43.29	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12
27	YR	93,730	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831
27	HR	44.89	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49
28	YR	97,217	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759
28	HR	46.56	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85
29	YR	100,934	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937
29	HR	48.34	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33
30	YR	104,421	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937	154,282
30	HR	50.01	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33	73.89
31	YR	108,221	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937	154,282	159,836
31	HR	51.83	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33	73.89	76.55
32	YR	112,084	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937	154,282	159,836	165,578
32	HR	53.68	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33	73.89	76.55	79.30
33	YR	116,281	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937	154,282	159,836	165,578	171,550
33	HR	55.69	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33	73.89	76.55	79.30	82.16
34	YR	120,373	124,695	129,247	133,883	138,831	143,759	148,937	154,282	159,836	165,578	171,550	177,731
34	HR	57.65	59.72	61.90	64.12	66.49	68.85	71.33	73.89	76.55	79.30	82.16	85.12

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N16G, Commissioner’s Plan Information Technology Supervisors

Ranges 15-28, Effective 7/1/2023-6/30/2024

Compensation Grid N16G
 Commissioner's Plan Information Technology Supervisors
 Ranges 15 - 28
 Effective 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15	Step P 16
15	YR	62,034	64,373	66,774	69,280	71,911	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638					
15	HR	29.71	30.83	31.98	33.18	34.44	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93					
16	YR	64,373	66,774	69,280	71,911	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182			
16	HR	30.83	31.98	33.18	34.44	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98			
17	YR	66,774	69,280	71,911	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815			
17	HR	31.98	33.18	34.44	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72			
18	YR	69,280	71,911	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490			
18	HR	33.18	34.44	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48			
19	YR	71,911	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027
19	HR	34.44	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40
20	YR	74,604	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454
20	HR	35.73	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52
21	YR	77,402	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716
21	HR	37.07	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04
22	YR	80,263	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892
22	HR	38.44	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04
23	YR	83,290	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944
23	HR	39.89	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46
24	YR	86,422	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944	148,102
24	HR	41.39	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46	70.93
25	YR	89,638	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944	148,102	153,384
25	HR	42.93	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46	70.93	73.46
26	YR	93,062	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944	148,102	153,384	158,959
26	HR	44.57	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46	70.93	73.46	76.13
27	YR	96,528	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944	148,102	153,384	158,959	164,743
27	HR	46.23	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46	70.93	73.46	76.13	78.90
28	YR	100,182	103,815	107,490	111,416	115,278	119,538	124,027	128,454	133,716	137,892	142,944	148,102	153,384	158,959	164,743	170,715
28	HR	47.98	49.72	51.48	53.36	55.21	57.25	59.40	61.52	64.04	66.04	68.46	70.93	73.46	76.13	78.90	81.76

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

Appendix F-2 – Commissioner’s Plan Compensation Grids

Compensation Grid N6, Commissioner’s Plan Clerical

Ranges 50-77, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

**Compensation Grid N6
Commissioner's Plan Clerical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
50	HR	16.36	16.72	17.11	17.41	17.66	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	
50	YR	34,160	34,911	35,726	36,352	36,874	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	
51	HR	16.72	17.11	17.41	17.66	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	
51	YR	34,911	35,726	36,352	36,874	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	
52	HR	17.11	17.41	17.66	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19
52	YR	35,726	36,352	36,874	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421
53	HR	17.41	17.66	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	
53	YR	36,352	36,874	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	
54	HR	17.66	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	
54	YR	36,874	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	
55	HR	18.02	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	
55	YR	37,626	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	
56	HR	18.33	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73
56	YR	38,273	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724
57	HR	18.72	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46
57	YR	39,087	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248
58	HR	19.10	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	
58	YR	39,881	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	
59	HR	19.56	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02
59	YR	40,841	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506
60	HR	20.02	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79
60	YR	41,802	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114

Compensation Grid N6
Commissioner's Plan Clerical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
61	HR	20.45	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	
61	YR	42,700	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	
62	HR	20.91	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	
62	YR	43,660	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	
63	HR	21.41	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	
63	YR	44,704	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	
64	HR	21.90	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	
64	YR	45,727	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	
65	HR	22.50	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	
65	YR	46,980	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	
66	HR	23.19	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	
66	YR	48,421	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	
67	HR	23.76	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	
67	YR	49,611	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	
68	HR	24.38	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	
68	YR	50,905	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	
69	HR	25.03	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	
69	YR	52,263	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	
70	HR	25.73	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	
70	YR	53,724	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	
71	HR	26.46	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	
71	YR	55,248	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	
72	HR	27.12	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	
72	YR	56,627	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	
73	HR	28.02	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	39.25	
73	YR	58,506	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	81,954	
74	HR	28.79	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	39.25	40.25	
74	YR	60,114	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	81,954	84,042	
75	HR	29.65	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	39.25	40.25	41.06	
75	YR	61,909	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	81,954	84,042	85,733	

**Compensation Grid N6
Commissioner's Plan Clerical
Ranges 50 - 77
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
76	HR	30.43	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	39.25	40.25	41.06	41.97	
76	YR	63,538	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	81,954	84,042	85,733	87,633	
77	HR	31.21	32.06	32.96	33.85	34.69	35.69	36.58	37.46	38.39	39.25	40.25	41.06	41.97	42.88	
77	YR	65,166	66,941	68,820	70,679	72,433	74,521	76,379	78,216	80,158	81,954	84,042	85,733	87,633	89,533	

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Monthly Salary Rate - 174 x Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N7, Commissioner's Plan Technical

Ranges 50-77, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

Compensation Grid N7
 Commissioner's Plan Technical
 Ranges 50 - 77
 Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
50	HR	16.57	16.86	17.23	17.58	17.97	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	
50	YR	34,598	35,204	35,976	36,707	37,521	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	
51	HR	16.86	17.23	17.58	17.97	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	
51	YR	35,204	35,976	36,707	37,521	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	
52	HR	17.23	17.58	17.97	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	
52	YR	35,976	36,707	37,521	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	
53	HR	17.58	17.97	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	
53	YR	36,707	37,521	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	
54	HR	17.97	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	
54	YR	37,521	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	
55	HR	18.31	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	
55	YR	38,231	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	
56	HR	18.68	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	
56	YR	39,004	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	
57	HR	19.08	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	
57	YR	39,839	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	
58	HR	19.56	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	
58	YR	40,841	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	
59	HR	20.02	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	
59	YR	41,802	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	
60	HR	20.58	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	
60	YR	42,971	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	
61	HR	21.04	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	
61	YR	43,932	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	
62	HR	21.57	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	
62	YR	45,038	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
63	HR	22.00	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	
63	YR	45,936	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	
64	HR	22.57	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	
64	YR	47,126	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	
65	HR	23.26	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	
65	YR	48,567	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	
66	HR	24.05	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	
66	YR	50,216	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	
67	HR	24.65	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	
67	YR	51,469	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	
68	HR	25.33	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	
68	YR	52,889	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	
69	HR	26.03	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	
69	YR	54,351	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	
70	HR	26.84	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	
70	YR	56,042	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	
71	HR	27.49	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	
71	YR	57,399	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	
72	HR	28.35	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	
72	YR	59,195	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	
73	HR	29.24	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	41.57	
73	YR	61,053	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	86,798	
74	HR	30.13	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	41.57	42.53	
74	YR	62,911	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	86,798	88,803	
75	HR	30.98	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	41.57	42.53	43.51	
75	YR	64,686	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	86,798	88,803	90,849	
76	HR	31.89	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	41.57	42.53	43.51	44.50	
76	YR	66,586	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	86,798	88,803	90,849	92,916	
77	HR	32.79	33.73	34.65	35.69	36.65	37.58	38.53	39.57	40.51	41.57	42.53	43.51	44.50	45.38	
77	YR	68,466	70,428	72,349	74,521	76,525	78,467	80,451	82,622	84,585	86,798	88,803	90,849	92,916	94,753	

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Monthly Salary Rate - $174 \times$ Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N14F, Commissioner’s Plan Information Technology Specialist

Ranges 06-31, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

Compensation Grid N14F
 Commissioner’s Plan Information Technology Specialist
 Ranges 06-31
 Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15	Step P 16
06	YR	52,534	54,330	56,084	57,963	59,821	61,951	64,081	66,273	68,674	70,950	73,414	76,254	78,864			
06	HR	25.16	26.02	26.86	27.76	28.65	29.67	30.69	31.74	32.89	33.98	35.16	36.52	37.77			
09	YR	57,963	59,821	61,951	64,081	66,273	68,674	70,950	73,414	76,254	79,031	81,724	84,627	87,842	90,974	94,252	
09	HR	27.76	28.65	29.67	30.69	31.74	32.89	33.98	35.16	36.52	37.85	39.14	40.53	42.07	43.57	45.14	
14	YR	68,674	70,950	73,414	76,254	79,031	81,724	84,627	87,842	90,974	94,336	97,718	101,205	105,173	109,056	112,877	
14	HR	32.89	33.98	35.16	36.52	37.85	39.14	40.53	42.07	43.57	45.18	46.80	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.06	
17	YR	76,254	79,031	81,724	84,627	87,842	90,974	94,336	97,718	101,205	105,173	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,781	
17	HR	36.52	37.85	39.14	40.53	42.07	43.57	45.18	46.80	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.24	
19	YR	81,724	84,627	87,842	90,974	94,336	97,718	101,205	105,173	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729
19	HR	39.14	40.53	42.07	43.57	45.18	46.80	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92
21	YR	87,842	90,974	94,336	97,718	101,205	105,173	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,833	144,949	149,898
21	HR	42.07	43.57	45.18	46.80	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.97	69.42	71.79
23	YR	94,336	97,718	101,205	105,173	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729	144,949	149,898	155,326	160,860
23	HR	45.18	46.80	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92	69.42	71.79	74.39	77.04
25	YR	101,205	105,173	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729	144,949	149,898	155,326	160,860	166,685	172,698
25	HR	48.47	50.37	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92	69.42	71.79	74.39	77.04	79.83	82.71
27	YR	109,056	113,044	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729	144,949	149,898	155,326	160,860	166,685	172,698	178,900	185,352
27	HR	52.23	54.14	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92	69.42	71.79	74.39	77.04	79.83	82.71	85.68	88.77
29	YR	117,429	121,438	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729	144,949	149,898	155,326	160,860	166,685	172,698	178,900	185,352	191,992	198,945
29	HR	56.24	58.16	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92	69.42	71.79	74.39	77.04	79.83	82.71	85.68	88.77	91.95	95.28
31	YR	125,739	130,270	134,947	139,729	144,949	149,898	155,326	160,860	166,685	172,698	178,900	185,352	191,992	198,945	206,086	213,498
31	HR	60.22	62.39	64.63	66.92	69.42	71.79	74.39	77.04	79.83	82.71	85.68	88.77	91.95	95.28	98.70	102.25

YR - Yearly Salary Rate
 MO - Monthly Salary Rate
 HR - Hourly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N14G, Commissioner’s Plan Professional Employees

Ranges 01-40, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

**Compensation Grid N14G
Commissioner's Plan Professional Employees
Ranges 01 - 40
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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
01	YR	42,219	43,806	45,727	47,439	49,339	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181
01	HR	20.22	20.98	21.90	22.72	23.63	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78
02	YR	43,806	45,727	47,439	49,339	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310
02	HR	20.98	21.90	22.72	23.63	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80
03	YR	45,727	47,439	49,339	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649
03	HR	21.90	22.72	23.63	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92
04	YR	47,439	49,339	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883
04	HR	22.72	23.63	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99
05	YR	49,339	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368
05	HR	23.63	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18
06	YR	50,989	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978
06	HR	24.42	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43
07	YR	52,806	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650
07	HR	25.29	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71
08	YR	54,372	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302
08	HR	26.04	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98
09	YR	56,272	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142
09	HR	26.95	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34
10	YR	58,130	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232
10	HR	27.84	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82
11	YR	60,176	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343
11	HR	28.82	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31
12	YR	62,181	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496
12	HR	29.78	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82

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13	YR	64,310	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941
13	HR	30.80	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47
14	YR	66,649	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240
14	HR	31.92	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05
15	YR	68,883	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166
15	HR	32.99	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93
16	YR	71,368	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841
16	HR	34.18	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69
17	YR	73,978	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683
17	HR	35.43	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53
18	YR	76,650	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005
18	HR	36.71	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60
19	YR	79,302	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972
19	HR	37.98	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50
20	YR	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085
20	HR	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47
21	YR	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470
21	HR	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57
22	YR	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022
22	HR	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75
23	YR	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720
23	HR	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00
24	YR	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669
24	HR	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37
25	YR	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742
25	HR	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80
26	YR	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942
26	HR	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29

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27	YR	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558
27	HR	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98
28	YR	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008
28	HR	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59
29	YR	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729
29	HR	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33
30	YR	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534
30	HR	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11
31	YR	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048
31	HR	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23
32	YR	126,470	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521
32	HR	60.57	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33
33	YR	131,022	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182
33	HR	62.75	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52
34	YR	135,720	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093
34	HR	65.00	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83
35	YR	140,669	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255
35	HR	67.37	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26
36	YR	145,742	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255	214,667
36	HR	69.80	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26	102.81
37	YR	150,942	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255	214,667	222,393
37	HR	72.29	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26	102.81	106.51
38	YR	156,558	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255	214,667	222,393	230,390
38	HR	74.98	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26	102.81	106.51	110.34
39	YR	162,008	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255	214,667	222,393	230,390	238,679
39	HR	77.59	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26	102.81	106.51	110.34	114.31
40	YR	167,729	173,534	180,048	186,521	193,182	200,093	207,255	214,667	222,393	230,390	238,679	247,282
40	HR	80.33	83.11	86.23	89.33	92.52	95.83	99.26	102.81	106.51	110.34	114.31	118.43

Compensation Grid N140, Health Treatment Professionals

Ranges 20, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

Compensation Grid N140
Health Treatment Professionals
Range 20
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15
20	YR	82,142	85,232	88,343	91,496	94,941	98,240	102,166	105,841	109,683	114,005	117,972	122,085	126,470	131,022	135,720
20	HR	39.34	40.82	42.31	43.82	45.47	47.05	48.93	50.69	52.53	54.60	56.50	58.47	60.57	62.75	65.00

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N16L, Commissioner's Plan State Patrol Majors
Ranges 37-40, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

Compensation Grid N16L
Commissioner's Plan State Patrol Majors
Ranges 37-40
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02
37	YR	131,899	159,461
37	HR	63.17	76.37
38	YR	134,906	163,135
38	HR	64.61	78.13
39	YR	138,038	166,894
39	HR	66.11	79.93
40	YR	141,191	170,736
40	HR	67.62	81.77

Compensation Grid N16E, Commissioner’s Plan Supervisory Employees

Ranges 01-34, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

**Compensation Grid N16E
Commissioner’s Plan Professional Employees
Ranges 01 - 34
Effective 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025**

Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12
01	YR	41,196	42,198	43,222	44,474	45,372	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	
01	HR	19.73	20.21	20.70	21.30	21.73	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	
02	YR	42,198	43,222	44,474	45,372	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	
02	HR	20.21	20.70	21.30	21.73	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	
03	YR	43,222	44,474	45,372	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	57,879	
03	HR	20.70	21.30	21.73	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	27.72	
04	YR	44,474	45,372	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	57,879	59,842	
04	HR	21.30	21.73	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	27.72	28.66	
05	YR	45,372	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	57,879	59,842	61,116	
05	HR	21.73	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	27.72	28.66	29.27	
06	YR	46,583	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	57,879	59,842	61,116	63,559	65,480
06	HR	22.31	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	27.72	28.66	29.27	30.44	31.36
07	YR	48,003	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,288	55,896	57,879	59,842	61,116	63,559	65,480	
07	HR	22.99	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.00	26.77	27.72	28.66	29.27	30.44	31.36	
08	YR	49,465	50,801	52,701	54,330	56,042	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788
08	HR	23.69	24.33	25.24	26.02	26.84	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86
09	YR	50,801	52,701	54,330	56,042	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377
09	HR	24.33	25.24	26.02	26.84	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10
10	YR	52,701	54,330	56,042	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509
10	HR	25.24	26.02	26.84	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60
11	YR	54,330	56,042	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348
11	HR	26.02	26.84	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96
12	YR	56,042	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522
12	HR	26.84	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48

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13	YR	58,172	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654
13	HR	27.86	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98
14	YR	60,343	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016
14	HR	28.90	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59
15	YR	62,849	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461
15	HR	30.10	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24
16	YR	65,125	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948
16	HR	31.19	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91
17	YR	67,505	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602
17	HR	32.33	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66
18	YR	70,178	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486
18	HR	33.61	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52
19	YR	72,788	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119
19	HR	34.86	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26
20	YR	75,377	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086
20	HR	36.10	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16
21	YR	78,509	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137
21	HR	37.60	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10
22	YR	81,348	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522
22	HR	38.96	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20
23	YR	84,522	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781
23	HR	40.48	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24
24	YR	87,654	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312
24	HR	41.98	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41
25	YR	91,016	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073
25	HR	43.59	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69
26	YR	94,461	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917
26	HR	45.24	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01

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27	YR	97,948	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074
27	HR	46.91	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48
28	YR	101,602	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232
28	HR	48.66	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95
29	YR	105,486	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640
29	HR	50.52	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54
30	YR	109,119	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640	161,235
30	HR	52.26	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54	77.22
31	YR	113,086	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640	161,235	167,019
31	HR	54.16	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54	77.22	79.99
32	YR	117,137	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640	161,235	167,019	173,033
32	HR	56.10	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54	77.22	79.99	82.87
33	YR	121,522	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640	161,235	167,019	173,033	179,276
33	HR	58.20	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54	77.22	79.99	82.87	85.86
34	YR	125,781	130,312	135,073	139,917	145,074	150,232	155,640	161,235	167,019	173,033	179,276	185,728
34	HR	60.24	62.41	64.69	67.01	69.48	71.95	74.54	77.22	79.99	82.87	85.86	88.95

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

Compensation Grid N16G, Commissioner's Plan Information Technology Supervisors

Ranges 15-28, Effective 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

**Compensation Grid N16G
Commissioner's Plan Information Technology Supervisors**

Ranges 15 - 28

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Range	Rate	Step A 01	Step B 02	Step C 03	Step D 04	Step E 05	Step F 06	Step G 07	Step H 08	Step I 09	Step J 10	Step K 11	Step L 12	Step M 13	Step N 14	Step O 15	Step P 16
15	YR	64,832	67,275	69,781	72,391	75,147	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668					
15	HR	31.05	32.22	33.42	34.67	35.99	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86					
16	YR	67,275	69,781	72,391	75,147	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692			
16	HR	32.22	33.42	34.67	35.99	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14			
17	YR	69,781	72,391	75,147	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492			
17	HR	33.42	34.67	35.99	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96			
18	YR	72,391	75,147	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334			
18	HR	34.67	35.99	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80			
19	YR	75,147	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602
19	HR	35.99	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07
20	YR	77,966	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238
20	HR	37.34	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29
21	YR	80,889	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729
21	HR	38.74	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92
22	YR	83,875	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093
22	HR	40.17	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01
23	YR	87,049	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376
23	HR	41.69	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54
24	YR	90,306	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376	154,763
24	HR	43.25	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54	74.12
25	YR	93,668	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376	154,763	160,296
25	HR	44.86	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54	74.12	76.77
26	YR	97,259	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376	154,763	160,296	166,121
26	HR	46.58	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54	74.12	76.77	79.56
27	YR	100,871	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376	154,763	160,296	166,121	172,156
27	HR	48.31	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54	74.12	76.77	79.56	82.45
28	YR	104,692	108,492	112,334	116,427	120,457	124,925	129,602	134,238	139,729	144,093	149,376	154,763	160,296	166,121	172,156	178,399
28	HR	50.14	51.96	53.80	55.76	57.69	59.83	62.07	64.29	66.92	69.01	71.54	74.12	76.77	79.56	82.45	85.44

YR - Yearly Salary Rate

HR - Hourly Salary Rate

Appendix G – Phased Retirement

Eligibility.

Full-time employees who have reached age fifty-five (55) or more, have ten (10) or more years of continuous state service, and have given written notice of their retirement date to the Appointing Authority may be eligible to participate in Phased Retirement.

Procedures.

An employee requesting phased retirement shall submit the request in writing to the Appointing Authority. The eligible employee's retirement date must occur in six (6) months or less from the date of the phased retirement request. If the Appointing Authority approves the request, the length of the phased retirement period and the work schedule for the employee shall be mutually agreed upon by the employee and the Appointing Authority. However, the phased retirement period shall not exceed three (3) months, unless the employee and Appointing Authority mutually agree in writing to extend the phased retirement period up to a cumulative total of no more than six (6) months. Additionally, the employee's work schedule must be at least fifty percent (50%) time. At the end of the phased retirement period the employee must move to full retirement.

Employees approved for phased retirement shall be entitled to all rights and benefits of full-time employees.

Benefits.

The Employer retirement contributions necessary to accrue allowable service credit in the retirement fund during the period of part-time employment shall be paid by the Employer at the same amounts as would have been paid had the employee been employed full-time.

Employees approved for phased retirement shall be eligible for Employer-paid insurance benefits as if the employee were employed full-time. Employee contributions necessary to maintain all benefits as if the employee were employed full-time shall be the responsibility of the employee

Expectations.

Employees approved for phased retirement are expected to carry out the agreed upon job duties and expectations as outlined in the Phased Retirement agreement form.

Appendix H – Other Policies

The Statewide Minnesota Travel Policy can be found on the Department of Administration website at <http://www.mn.gov/admin/>. Human Resources and Labor Relations policies can be found on the Minnesota Management and Budget website at http://www.mn.gov/mmb/employe-relations/laws-policies-and-rules/statewide_hr_policies/.

Statewide policies and procedures are subject to change and are not appealable under this plan.

Appendix I – State Patrol Majors

This Appendix applies to State Patrol Majors, who have elected to sever themselves from the Supervisory bargaining unit under the provisions of M.S. 179A.10, subd. 3. This Appendix modifies specified chapters contained elsewhere in this Plan. If a chapter or provision of the Plan is not referenced here, the original chapter or provision applies as written.

Chapter 2 - Hours of Work

Standard Work Schedules. Work schedules for State Patrol Majorss shall be established or changed by the Appointing Authority in accord with the needs of the State Patrol.

Additional Hours. Supervisors are eligible to compensation for additional recognized hours worked as provided below:

State Patrol Majors are eligible to be paid at their regular rate of pay for hours worked on a regularly scheduled day off when called in or assigned by the appropriate authority, or for other approved hours of work. The additional approved hours shall be paid in cash or shall be given an equivalent number of compensatory hours at the discretion of the Appointing Authority after first considering the wishes of the supervisor. Supervisors may accrue compensatory time to a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) hours. All hours in excess of one hundred twenty (120) shall be paid in cash.

Escort and Contracted Services. State Patrol Majors who volunteer for and are assigned to third party escort duties for private employers, which are separate and independent of the Department of Public Safety, Minnesota State Patrol, or who volunteer for and are assigned to provide State Patrol services which are either paid for or reimbursed by contract with any agency independent of the Department of Public Safety (public or private) shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half times the maximum rate of the salary range for State Patrol Lieutenant. A supervisor shall be paid in cash at one and one-half times the top step of the salary range for Trooper if the supervisor is assigned to work an established shift because a non-supervisory member of the State Patrol is not available for the shift.

Court Time Pay. A State Patrol Major who is required to appear in court in regard to a criminal proceeding during their scheduled off-duty time shall receive a minimum of two (2) hours compensation at one and one-half times the supervisor's base rate of pay.

Chapter 3 – Holidays

State Patrol Majors who are assigned to work on a holiday shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half for all hours worked, in addition to holiday pay.

At the discretion of the Appointing Authority, holiday pay may be paid in cash or placed in an Alternate Holiday Time Bank.

1. The maximum amount of Alternate Holiday Time that may be accumulated is two hundred forty (240) hours. When the balance of an employee's Alternate Holiday Time Bank is at two hundred forty (240) hours, no more Alternate Holiday Time may be accumulated.
2. An employee may liquidate their Alternate Holiday Time Bank during the term of their employment by taking time off. When an employee desires to liquidate Alternate Holiday Time by taking time off, such requests will be liquidated at a time mutually agreeable to the employee and their supervisor under the same terms and conditions that govern requests for vacation time off.
3. An employee's Alternate Holiday Time Bank shall be liquidated by cash payment upon an employee's separation from employment at the employee's straight time hourly rate in effect at time of separation.

Chapter 4 – Vacation

Vacation Usage. A State Patrol Major may be required to work during the supervisor's vacation once the vacation request has been approved if the operational needs of the State Patrol so require.

Chapter 5 - Sick Leave

Transfer/Restoration of Sick Leave Hours. State Patrol Majors who receive severance pay and return to State service shall have their unpaid sick leave balance restored.

Chapter 6 - Other Leaves of Absence

Paid Leaves of Absence.

Administrative Leave. The Appointing Authority may, at its discretion, place a supervisor on paid administrative leave for up to thirty (30) calendar days where the supervisor has been involved in a critical incident or where continued presence in the workplace poses a risk to the supervisor or the organization. Upon placing a supervisor on administrative leave, the Appointing Authority shall notify the supervisor in writing and shall state the reason for the leave. The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may authorize the leave to be extended for a period not greater than thirty (30) calendar days. It is the Appointing Authority's policy to return a supervisor to active duty status as soon as is practical and prudent.

Unpaid Leaves of Absence – Mandatory. An unpaid public office leave of absence shall be granted to State Patrol Majors in accord with the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement applicable to non-supervisory employees of the State Patrol.

Chapter 10 - Seniority, Layoff and Recall

State Patrol Majors shall accrue seniority and be covered by the layoff provisions of Chapter 10 for the purposes of bumping and demoting within the ranks of the State Patrol.

Seniority ties among State Patrol Majors shall be broken by length of employment with the State Patrol.

Chapter 11 - Disciplinary Action

A State Patrol Major shall not be suspended, demoted or discharged except for just cause as provided in M.S. 299D.03, subdivision 8.

Disciplinary Action	Notice Requirements	Appeal Process
Oral reprimand.	Not applicable.	None.
Written reprimand.	Specify reasons for action and changes expected.	Appealable through Step 3 of the Dispute Resolution Procedure in Chapter 12.
Intent to discharge, suspend, or demote.	Written notice of intent to take disciplinary action including reasons for intended action.	The Dispute Resolution Procedure in Chapter 12 of this Plan does not apply; however, within five work days, the Chief shall set a date for an informal meeting with the supervisor, unless waived by mutual agreement of both parties, to discuss the potential charges and intended disciplinary action. Any agreement to resolve the matter at this point shall be in writing and signed by both parties.
Formal charges filed.	Written charges, signed and sworn to by the Appointing Authority, delivered in person to the supervisor or another person of suitable age and discretion at the supervisor's usual place of abode.	Appealable under the provisions of M.S. 43A.33, subdivision 3 (described in Step 4b of the Dispute Resolution Procedure in Chapter 12) or through the procedure contained in M.S. 299D.03. Supervisors must notify the Commissioner of Public Safety of their choice of these procedures in writing within five calendar days of being served with charges.

Chapter 14 - Salary Administration

Salary Ranges.

The salary ranges for the classification of State Patrol Major are provided in Appendices F-1 and F-2.

The Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget shall assign new classifications to a salary range and may reassign classifications to different salary ranges.

General Salary Increase. Effective July 1, 2023, State Patrol Majors shall receive a salary increase of five and a half percent (5.5%), rounded to the nearest cent per hour. State Patrol Majors whose salaries equal or exceed the new maximum of their salary range are not eligible for this salary increase.

Effective July 1, 2024, State Patrol Majors shall receive a salary increase of four and a half percent (4.5%), rounded to the nearest cent per hour. This salary increase shall apply to all supervisors including those whose rate of pay equals or exceeds the new maximum of the applicable salary range.

Performance-Based Salary Increase. State Patrol Majors may be eligible to receive a performance-based increase annually on their anniversary date, provided their overall performance rating is fully satisfactory. The performance-based increase is equal to three and one-half percent (3.5%) of their hourly rate or the amount to bring their salary to the maximum rate of their salary range, whichever is less, until the maximum rate is attained. The Appointing Authority may withhold part or all of any increase because of budget constraints. At the discretion of the Appointing Authority, performance increases may be delayed, and if granted, shall be effective no later than the beginning of the first full pay period in the following June.

State Patrol Majors covered by this Appendix are not eligible for performance-based salary increases provided by Chapter 14 of this Plan.

Additional Differentials. At the request of the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget may authorize differentials for = positions with specialized duties.

Severance Pay. All provisions of Chapter 14 regarding severance pay shall apply with the exception of the calculation of the amount of severance pay a State Patrol Major is eligible to receive as stated below.

Severance pay shall be the sum equal to the State Patrol Major's regular rate of pay at the time of separation multiplied by thirty-five percent (35%) of the State Patrol Major's accumulated but unused sick leave.

Health Care Savings Plan. State Patrol Majors who separate from State service, for reasons other than layoff or death, and are eligible to receive severance pay will have one hundred percent (100%) of severance pay (as prescribed in Chapter 14) and one hundred percent (100%) of vacation payout (as prescribed in Chapter 4) converted to a MSRS Health Care Savings Plan. Supervisors who do not meet the criteria for the Health Care Savings Plan or whose severance and vacation payouts total less than five hundred dollars (\$500) combined will continue to receive such payments in cash.

In all other cases where a supervisor is eligible for severance pay (including layoff and death), the severance payment shall be made in cash.

Chapter 15 - Expense Reimbursement

Uniforms. The Appointing Authority agrees to provide each State Patrol Major who is normally required to wear a uniform and is covered by the Commissioner's Plan with an allowance for necessary uniform items not furnished by the Appointing Authority. The dollar allowance shall be comparable to the amount provided in the Minnesota Law Enforcement Association Agreement Article 9 – Uniforms for the State Patrol for necessary uniform items not furnished by the Appointing Authority.

Chapter 21 - Early Retirement Incentive

State Patrol Majors covered by this Appendix may participate in either the Early Retirement Incentives approved by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget or the Early Retirement Incentive program for Employees Covered by the State Patrol Retirement Fund or the Correctional Employees Retirement Plan contained in Chapter 21. Supervisors must meet all eligibility requirements contained in that chapter and any applicable law in order to receive the incentive benefits.

Appendix J – Employees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Tuition Waiver.

Full-time unlimited and seasonal and part-time unlimited and seasonal confidential employees and Health Treatment Professionals (Unit 213) shall have tuition waiver benefits on the same basis and in the same amount as employees covered by the Minnesota State Personnel Plan for Administrators.

Supplemental Retirement Account Contributions.

Pursuant to M.S. 354C.12 and 356.24 and beginning on July 1, 2008, the Employer shall deduct an amount equal to five percent (5.0%) of the annual salary after the first six thousand dollars (\$6,000) in each fiscal year, up to one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700), to be paid into the employee's supplemental retirement account of the Defined Contribution Retirement (DCF) fund. The Employer shall make a contribution in an amount equal to the deductions made from the employee's salary. Deductions shall begin in the fiscal year following the employee's eligibility as outlined below.

Eligible employees are those who:

- Occupy positions designated by Minnesota State in the academic unclassified service under the provisions of M.S. 43A.08, Subd. 1(9); and
- Have completed two (2) years of full-time unclassified service within Minnesota State as outlined in the DCR Plan document.

Appendix K – Addendum for Medical Specialists

The Addendum for medical specialists is printed under separate cover and available on the MMB Website.