

75-2938. Classified service; assignment of positions to classes; titles and descriptions for classes; assignment of classes to ranges; pay plan; wage and salary surveys; delegation of assignment of positions; schedule of salary and wage ranges and steps; approval of governor. (a) Except as otherwise provided in the Kansas civil service act, the director of personnel services, after consultation with the heads of state agencies or persons designated by them, shall assign each position in the classified service to a class according to the duties and responsibilities thereof. Titles shall be specified by the director for each such class for use in certifying the names of persons for appointment under this act. A description of the duties and responsibilities with suitable qualifications required for satisfactory performance in each class shall be specified by the director. The classes and titles so specified and described shall be used for: (1) Original appointments; (2) promotions; (3) payrolls; and (4) all other records affecting the status of persons in the classified service. Each class when approved or modified and approved as modified by the governor shall take effect on a date or dates specified by the governor. After consultation with the director of the budget and the heads of state agencies or persons designated by them, the director shall recommend changes in classes from time to time, and such changes, when approved or modified and approved as modified by the governor, shall take effect on a date or dates specified by the governor.

(b) The director of personnel services shall recommend to the governor the assignment, and from time to time the reassignment, of each class to a specified range approved or modified and approved as modified by the governor, the same shall become effective on a date or dates specified by the governor. In adopting or revising any plans, the governor shall give consideration to pertinent rates in other public and private employment in the appropriate labor markets, and for this purpose the director shall have made periodic wage and salary surveys with one survey to be conducted each year. The results of such survey and recommendations for revisions in the pay plan are to be forwarded to the governor, the secretary of administration, the director of the budget and the legislature. The recommendations shall give consideration and weight to survey results, to changes in the cost-of-living and to proper internal alignment of the various job classes. The director may use the results of other appropriate surveys conducted by public or private agencies in lieu of or in addition to surveys authorized to be conducted under this subsection.

(c) The secretary of administration may delegate the authority to assign positions in the classified service to a class according to the duties and responsibilities thereof to the appointing authority. Such delegation shall specify the particular classes, ranges, and schedules authorized. Appointing authorities delegated such assigning authority shall make monthly reports of assigning transactions to the director of personnel services. Any delegation of such authority is subject to review by the secretary of administration who may modify any delegation made in order to ensure consistency with the state classification plan and may withdraw the delegated authority from the appointing authority upon evidence of improper use of such authority by the appointing authority. The decision of the secretary of administration in regard to the withdrawal of such delegated authority shall be final.

(d) After consultation with the director of the budget and the secretary of administration, the director of personnel services shall prepare a pay plan which shall contain a schedule of salary and wage ranges and steps, and from time to time changes therein. When such pay plan or any change therein is approved or modified and approved as modified by the governor, the same shall become effective on a date or dates specified by the governor and any such modification, change of date shall be in accordance with any enactments of the legislature applicable thereto.

(e) The classes and pay plan for the classified service as approved by the governor shall be used by the director of the budget in preparation of the budget.

(f) Whenever any appropriation or other act specifies any pay plan or any change, limitation or condition upon the pay plan, personnel or policies of the state or any state agency, such appropriation act or other act shall control the provisions of this section to the extent of their application thereto.

History: L. 1941, ch. 358, § 14; L. 1953, ch. 375, § 52; L. 1972, ch. 332, § 60; L. 1975, ch. 438, § 1; L. 1978, ch. 332, § 10; L. 1995, ch. 213, § 4; Dec. 17.