

**20.5 Public employment relations board.**

1. There is established a board to be known as the "Public Employment Relations Board".

a. The board shall consist of three members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate. In selecting the members of the board, consideration shall be given to their knowledge, ability, and experience in the field of labor-management relations. No more than two members shall be of the same political affiliation, no member shall engage in any political activity while holding office and the members shall devote full time to their duties.

b. The members shall be appointed for staggered terms of four years beginning and ending as provided in section 69.19.

c. The member first appointed for a term of four years shall serve as chairperson and each of the member's successors shall also serve as chairperson.

d. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled in the same manner as regular appointments are made.

2. The board may employ such persons as are necessary for the performance of its functions. Personnel of the board shall be employed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 8A, subchapter IV.

3. The chairperson and the remaining two members shall be compensated as provided in section 7E.6, subsection 5. Members of the board and employees of the board shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. All expenses and salaries shall be paid from appropriations for such purposes and the board shall be subject to the budget requirements of chapter 8.

[C75, 77, 79, 81, §20.5]

2003 Acts, ch 145, §144; 2007 Acts, ch 215, §25; 2008 Acts, ch 1031, §82; 2010 Acts, ch 1165, §5

Referred to in §20.3

[P] Confirmation, see §2.32