## CHAPTER 2001-329

## House Bill No. 941

An act relating to the City of Jacksonville; amending chapter 92-341, Laws of Florida, as amended; clarifying exemptions provided in the Charter of the City of Jacksonville to the civil service status of designated positions; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsections (d), (f), (g), (y), and (z) of section 17.06 of the charter of the City of Jacksonville, as created by chapter 92-341, Laws of Florida, as amended, are hereby amended to read:

## **ARTICLE 17. CIVIL SERVICE**

Section 17.06 Applicability of civil service system to employees of consolidated government.—The civil service provisions of this charter shall be applicable to all employees of the consolidated government except:

(d) The following persons employed by the Duval County School Board, provided that those persons holding these positions on the effective date of this act shall continue under the civil service system until removed in accordance with the law and applicable civil service regulations:

(1) Superintendent of schools, <u>chief of staff, regional deputy</u> superintendents, <u>associate and</u> assistant superintendents, <u>chief information officer</u>, administrative assistants to the superintendent, directors, <u>state or school</u> <del>board issued certificated</del> supervisors and coordinators, specialists <u>in admin-</u> istrative or educational services, and secretary to superintendent.

(2) All persons employed in positions which are required under general state law and implementing regulations which apply uniformly throughout the state to be filled by persons holding a teacher's certificate.

(3) Teachers aides as defined by s. 231.141, Florida Statutes, or as they may hereafter be defined, and who are employed by the Duval County School Board.

(4) Certified public accountants, and employees of the Duval County School Board divisions of finance or business affairs who are accountants holding a college degree or equivalent certificate in accounting, unless otherwise requested by such employee. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d), employees subject to this paragraph on the effective date of this act may elect to discontinue their civil service status, without prejudice to requesting reinstatement at a later date.

(f) Part-time and temporary employees who shall be employed for a period of employment not to exceed 6 months. The chief of personnel may authorize an extension of said 6 month employment period.

(g) The executive director of the <u>Commission on Human Rights and the</u> <u>Director of Equal Opportunity/Equal Access</u> Community relations commission.

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.

(y) Assistant management improvement officers.

(z) The director of libraries of the library board of trustees, assistant director of libraries, and executive <u>assistants</u> assistant of library services.

Any person in the classified civil service who is appointed to a position exempted from the civil service system by this section shall be entitled to return to the same or a comparable civil service classification, with the same rights and status as held immediately prior to such appointment. Compensation for an employee returning to a civil service classification under this provision will be based upon the rate that he or she would have been receiving had the appointment not been made. This paragraph shall not apply to employees exempted from civil service provisions by subsections (a), (c), (e), (f), (i), or (q).

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor May 25, 2001.

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