

House Bill No. 1903

An act relating to Escambia County; amending chapter 83-405, Laws of Florida, as amended, relating to the Escambia County Civil Service System; providing for the discretionary withdrawal of certain constitutional officers and the District School Board from the Civil Service system; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection 7.1 of section 7 of chapter 83-405, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 91-335, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

SECTION 7. APPLICABILITY.

7.1 Covered Positions and Exemptions. The career Civil Service system established by this Act may shall be a permanent service and shall apply as determined by a county constitutional officer or a majority vote of a local agency or board to and include all employees serving in positions now existing, or hereafter created, in Escambia County, including employees of the Escambia County Utilities Authority and non-instructional employees or positions of the District School Board, ~~except the following who shall be exempt from the career Civil Service:~~

- ~~(a) Elected officials or persons appointed by the Governor.~~
- ~~(b) Members of county and local boards and county commissions.~~
- ~~(c) Members of advisory councils or committees or similar boards paid only for attendance at meetings.~~
- ~~(d) The County Attorney and any Assistant Attorneys, or secretaries employed by or under him or her.~~
- ~~(e) Attorneys serving as legal counsel.~~
- ~~(f) Persons of highly technical or professional training maintaining an independent practice in their chosen professions and employed by the county on a part-time basis.~~
- ~~(g) Patient or inmate help in charitable, penal and correctional institutions.~~
- ~~(h) District School Board:~~

~~The chief executive officer and all department heads as approved by the District School Board.~~

~~Instructional personnel as defined in Section 228.041(9), Florida Statutes.~~

~~Administrative personnel as defined in Section 228.041(10), Florida Statutes.~~

~~Secretary to Superintendent of Schools.~~

~~Secretary to District School Board.~~

~~Secretary to Administrative Assistant to Superintendent of Schools.~~

~~Director of Automated Office Systems.~~

~~Director of Public Information.~~

~~Assistant Director for School Plant Planning.~~

~~Auditors.~~

~~(i) Board of County Commissioners:~~

~~The chief executive officer and all department heads as approved by the Board of County Commissioners.~~

~~(j) Property Appraiser's Office:~~

~~Chief Deputy Property Appraiser.~~

~~Secretary to the Property Appraiser.~~

~~Three Deputy Appraisers to the Property Appraiser.~~

~~Confidential Secretary to each Deputy Property Appraiser.~~

~~Data Managers to the Property Appraiser.~~

~~Data Programmers to the Property Appraiser.~~

~~Chief Appraiser to the Property Appraiser.~~

~~(k) Tax Collector's Office:~~

~~Ad Valorem Tax Administrator.~~

~~Motor Vehicle License Administrator.~~

~~Data Programmers.~~

~~Data Coordinators to the Tax Collector.~~

~~Three Administrative Assistants.~~

~~(l) Clerk of Courts' Office:~~

~~Chief Deputy Clerk of Courts.~~

~~Secretary to Clerk of Courts.~~

~~Five Administrative Assistants to Clerk of Courts.~~

~~(m) Sheriff's Department:~~

Chief Deputy Sheriff.

Five Administrative Assistants.

(n) — Comptroller's Office:

Chief Deputy Comptroller.

Secretary to the Comptroller.

~~Four Administrative Assistants to Comptroller.~~

~~Data Coordinator to Comptroller.~~

Finance Officer.

Audit Supervisor.

General Accounting Supervisor.

Data Processing Manager, Programmers & Analysts.

Auditors.

(o) — Supervisor of Election's Office:

Chief Deputy Supervisor of Elections.

Secretary to Supervisor of Elections.

~~Data Coordinator to Supervisor of Elections.~~

~~Qualifying Officer to the Supervisor of Elections.~~

(p) — Manager of Santa Rosa Island Authority.

(q) — One secretary to each Judge of Circuit and County Courts.

(r) — The employees of Century Memorial Hospital.

(s) — ~~Student assistants as defined by Civil Service Rule provided, however, that the appointing authorities shall report the identity of any students and their general duties to the Civil Service Board.~~

Section 2. Section 7.2 of section 7 of chapter 83-405, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 91-335, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

7.2 Option to Withdraw from Civil Service. Upon the effective date of this act, the Supervisor of Elections, the Tax Collector, the Property Appraiser, the Clerk of the Court, and the District School Board may elect by a majority vote of the governing body, or for the four county constitutional officers specified herein, by written notice to the Civil Service Board, to withdraw from the Civil Service system, in which case the local board or county constitutional officer shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 83-405, Laws of Florida, as amended in all its parts. Additional Positions Eligible for Exemption. In addition to those positions described in paragraphs (a)

through (s) in subsection 7.1, the following positions may, by rule of the Board, also be exempt from the career Civil Service:

(a) ~~Registered nurses and medical doctors.~~

(b) ~~The executive head and a deputy or deputies to the executive head and other positions of each county agency as warranted by the size and complexity of the organization, scope of programs and nature of the positions. Where more than one deputy is required in an exempt position by an agency, justification must be submitted to and be approved by the Board.~~

(c) ~~Confidential assistant or secretary to an exempt official.~~

(d) ~~Employees of the Escambia County Public Health Trust organized and existing pursuant to Chapter 154, Florida Statutes.~~

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 13, 2001.

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