CHAPTER 2007-301

House Bill No. 1397

An act relating to the Hillsborough County Civil Service Board; amending chapter 2000-445, Laws of Florida; providing a definition; adding a class of employment exempt from the classified service; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsections (19) through (32) of section 5 of chapter 2000-445, Laws of Florida, are renumbered as subsections (20) through (33), respectively, and a new subsection (19) is added to that section, to read:

Section 5. Definitions.—As used in this act:

(19) “Information technology professional” means a position designated by an appointing authority after July 1, 2007, for which a qualified applicant would have demonstrable and creditable experience in the development or management of computer, telecommunication, or data-sharing systems and generally including graduation from an accredited college or university in an appropriately related field or recognized industry standard certification and excluding, notwithstanding any other provision of law, any information technology position in the classified service as of January 1, 2007, except and unless that position is vacant at the time a designation is made or an incumbent in any such position concurs with a transfer to the exempt service as a designated information technology professional.

Section 2. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subsection (2) of section 6 of chapter 2000-445, Laws of Florida, are redesignated as paragraphs (f) and (g), respectively, and a new paragraph (e) is added to that subsection, to read:

Section 6. Classes of employees.—

(2) The following classes of employment are exempt from the classified service and are subject to any rights provided by their appointing authority. The exempt service includes:

(e) Information technology professionals;

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor June 19, 2007.

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