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An act relating to Hillsborough County; amending chapter 96-519, Laws of Florida; revising the powers and duties of the Hillsborough County Civil Service Board to include provisions relating to employee grievances; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 7 of chapter 96-519, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 7. Creation of civil service board; method of conducting business; powers and duties.--

- (3) The board shall:
- (a) Adopt and amend rules for the uniform administration of this act following a minimum of 30 days' notice of the proposed rule to each appointing authority.
- (b) Employ a director, legal counsel, and such other employees as necessary to carry out the purpose of this act. The director must meet the following minimum qualifications: graduation from an accredited 4-year college or university with a major course of study in business administration, public administration, psychology, or a related field and at least 5 years of progressively responsible personnel experience, including 3 years in a responsible supervisory position. The director should possess broad knowledge of all aspects of personnel management. The director shall perform such duties as are required by the board.

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- (c) Deputize and designate, in any agency containing more than 500 classified positions, the person in charge of personnel in that agency as the agent for the board to perform duties delegated by the board.
- (d) Ascertain and record the qualifications, duties, and responsibilities appertaining to all positions in the classified service and classify such positions in accordance with the requirements contained in this act.
- (e) Recruit personnel for all classified positions, determine the relative qualifications of persons who seek employment in any class or position, and, as a result thereof, establish certified employment lists for the classes of positions.
 - (f) Establish a system for evaluation of performance.
- (q) Adopt classification, benefits, and pay plans for classified positions as provided in this act.
- Establish guidelines for leaves of absence without prior board approval up to a period of 12 months. An extension may be granted by the appointing authority only if the appointing authority certifies to the board before the expiration of the initial period that the extension is not an avoidance of the duty to properly fill a classified position.
- (i) Establish and maintain a roster of classified employees, appointments, resignations, promotions, and transfers.
- (j) Make investigations concerning the enforcement and effect of this act and require observance of its provisions and the rules adopted under it.
- (k) Establish provisions and procedures for employee grievances, including appeals thereof to the board. Such procedures may provide for appeals to be heard by three-member

1	panels of the board. A grievance is defined as any dispute or
2	disagreement involving wages, hours of work, or conditions of
3	employment between an employee and management.
4	$\frac{(1)}{(k)}$ Hear and determine appeals from disciplinary
5	actions as provided in this act.
6	(m) (1) Establish a procedure for reductions in force
7	and a method from reemployment.
8	(n) (m) Keep records necessary for the proper
9	administration of this act.
10	$\frac{(o)}{(n)}$ Make an annual report to be distributed to all
11	appointing authorities.
12	(p) (o) Perform all other acts necessary to accomplish
13	the purposes of this act.
14	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
15	law.
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