**Section 1620.1110 Hearings to Contest Disciplinary Actions**

*Any hearings to contest disciplinary action for a violation of the Ethics Act against a person subject to the Personnel Code* [20 ILCS 414]*, the Secretary of State Merit Employment Code* [15 ILCS 310]*, the Comptroller Merit Employment Code* [15 ILCS 410]*, or the State Treasurer Employment Code* [15 ILCS 510] *pursuant to an agreement between an Executive Inspector General and a UJA shall be conducted by the Executive Ethics Commission and not under any of those Acts.* [5 ILCS 430/20-55(d)]

a) If the penalty to be imposed on an affected person is removal, discharge, demotion or suspension for a period of more than 30 days within a 12-month period or, if the Commission determines that a hearing is appropriate pursuant to Section 1620.1100, the Chair or Administrative Law Judge, if any, shall set the matter for hearing.

b) For purposes of these hearings, the agency has the burden of proof.

c) Hearings and pre-hearing matters will be conducted in accordance with Sections 1620.420, 1620.430, 1620.460, 1620.470, 1620.490, 1620.500, 1620.510, 1620.520 and 1620.530.

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