

1 AN ACT concerning the Metropolitan Water Reclamation  
2 District.

3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
4 represented in the General Assembly:

5 Section 5. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District  
6 Act is amended by changing Section 4.2 as follows:

7 (70 ILCS 2605/4.2) (from Ch. 42, par. 323.2)

8 Sec. 4.2. There is hereby created and established a civil  
9 service board to consist of 3 persons to be selected in the  
10 manner following:

11 The governing authority or body of the sanitary district,  
12 hereinafter called the trustees, shall on or before January  
13 31, 1952 appoint a civil service board of 3 members, all of  
14 whom shall be persons who are not trustees and not more than  
15 2 of whom shall be affiliated with the same political party.  
16 Each member shall have been a qualified elector of the  
17 sanitary district for at least 5 years immediately prior to  
18 his or her appointment and shall believe firmly in the merit  
19 system of government. No person shall be appointed to the  
20 civil service board who has held an elective public office or  
21 a position in a political party within the 2 years  
22 immediately prior to his or her appointment. No member of  
23 the board shall be a member of a committee in any partisan  
24 political club or organization, or shall hold or be a  
25 candidate for any elective public office.

26 Of the members so appointed, one shall be appointed for a  
27 term of 2 years, one for a term of 4 years and one for a term  
28 of 6 years beginning February 1, 1952. All subsequent  
29 appointments shall be for 6 year terms beginning February 1  
30 of the year in which the antecedent term expires. In the  
31 event a vacancy occurs from any cause in the office of any

1 member, the unexpired portion of the term shall be filled by  
2 appointment within 60 days by the trustees. The board shall  
3 elect from its members a chairman, vice-chairman and  
4 secretary. Each shall serve for a term of 2 years or until a  
5 successor is elected. Each member of the board shall receive  
6 a salary of \$20,000 ~~\$15,000~~ per annum, except the Chairman,  
7 who shall receive a salary of \$22,500 ~~\$17,500~~ per annum. Two  
8 members of the civil service board shall constitute a quorum,  
9 but in no instance shall the board have authority or exercise  
10 responsibility if 60 days after a vacancy exists on the board  
11 it has not been filled by appointment.

12 No member of the civil service board shall be removed  
13 except for palpable incompetence or malfeasance in office  
14 upon written charges filed by or at the direction of the  
15 trustees and heard before the trustees sitting as the board  
16 of hearings herein provided for.

17 The board of hearings shall hear and determine the  
18 charges and its findings shall be final. If the charges are  
19 sustained, the member of the civil service board so charged  
20 shall be forthwith removed from office by the board of  
21 hearings and the trustees shall thereupon proceed within 30  
22 days to fill the vacancy created by that removal. In all  
23 proceedings provided for in this Section, the board of  
24 hearings and each member thereof shall have power to  
25 administer oaths and to compel by subpoena the attendance and  
26 testimony of witnesses and the production of books and  
27 papers.

28 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)