Sec. 10. Duties and powers of the Commission. The Civil Service Commission shall have duties and powers as follows:

1. Upon written recommendations by the Director of the Department of Central Management Services to exempt from jurisdiction B of this Act positions which, in the judgment of the Commission, involve either principal administrative responsibility for the determination of policy or principal administrative responsibility for the way in which policies are carried out. This authority may not be exercised, however, with respect to the position of Assistant Director of Healthcare and Family Services in the Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

2. To require such special reports from the Director as it may consider desirable.

3. To disapprove original rules or any part thereof within 90 days and any amendment thereof within 30 days after the submission of such rules to the Civil Service Commission by the Director, and to disapprove any amendments thereto in the same manner.

4. To approve or disapprove within 60 days from date of submission the position classification plan submitted by the Director as provided in the rules, and any revisions thereof within 30 days from the date of submission.

5. To hear appeals of employees who do not accept the allocation of their positions under the position classification plan.

6. To hear and determine written charges filed seeking the discharge, demotion of employees and suspension totaling more than thirty days in any 12-month period, as provided in Section 11 hereof, and appeals from transfers from one geographical area in the State to another, and in connection therewith to administer oaths, subpoena witnesses, and compel the production of books and papers.

7. The fees of subpoenaed witnesses under this Act for attendance and travel shall be the same as fees of witnesses before the circuit courts of the State, such fees to be paid when the witness is excused from further attendance. Whenever a subpoena is issued the Commission may require that the cost of service and the fee of the witness shall be borne by the party at whose insistence the witness is summoned. The Commission has the power, at its discretion, to require a deposit from such party to cover the cost of service and witness fees and the payment of the legal witness fee and mileage to the witness served with the subpoena. A subpoena issued under this Act shall be served in the same manner as a subpoena issued out of a court.

Upon the failure or refusal to obey a subpoena, a petition shall be prepared by the party serving the subpoena for enforcement in the circuit court of the county in which the person to whom the subpoena was directed either resides or has his or her principal place of business.

Not less than five days before the petition is filed in the appropriate court, it shall be served on the person along with a notice of the time and place the petition is to be presented.

Following a hearing on the petition, the circuit court shall have jurisdiction to enforce subpoenas issued pursuant to this Section.

On motion and for good cause shown the Commission may quash or modify any subpoena.

8. To make an annual report regarding the work of the Commission to the Governor, such report to be a public report.

9. If any violation of this Act is found, the Commission shall direct compliance in writing.

10. To appoint a full-time executive secretary and such other employees, experts, and special assistants as may be necessary to carry out the powers and duties of the Commission under this Act and employees, experts, and special assistants so appointed by the Commission shall be subject to the provisions of jurisdictions A, B and C of this Act. These powers and duties supersede any contrary provisions herein contained.

11. To make rules to carry out and implement their powers and duties under this Act, with authority to amend such rules from time to time.
(12) To hear or conduct investigations as it deems necessary of appeals of layoff filed by employees appointed under Jurisdiction B after examination provided that such appeals are filed within 15 calendar days following the effective date of such layoff and are made on the basis that the provisions of the Personnel Code or of the Rules of the Department of Central Management Services relating to layoff have been violated or have not been complied with.

All hearings shall be public. A decision shall be rendered within 60 days after receipt of the transcript of the proceedings. The Commission shall order the reinstatement of the employee if it is proven that the provisions of the Personnel Code or of the rules of the Department of Central Management Services relating to layoff have been violated or have not been complied with. In connection therewith the Commission may administer oaths, subpoena witnesses, and compel the production of books and papers.

(13) Whenever the Civil Service Commission is authorized or required by law to consider some aspect of criminal history record information for the purpose of carrying out its statutory powers and responsibilities, then, upon request and payment of fees in conformance with the requirements of Section 2605-400 of the Department of State Police Law (20 ILCS 2605/2605-400), the Department of State Police is authorized to furnish, pursuant to positive identification, such information contained in State files as is necessary to fulfill the request.

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