9575.0300 PREPARATION AND ADOPTION.

Subpart 1. Preparation of plan. In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, the commissioner shall formally adopt and make effective a comprehensive compensation plan including minimum and maximum salary rates as published in part 9575.1500, and recommended intervening steps as published in the Human Services Merit System Manual, as amended through May 29, 1982, for all classes of positions. The plan shall apply to all agencies covered by the merit system except as otherwise negotiated for employees in a bargaining unit in agencies where there is an exclusive representative or in those instances where the requirements of part 9575.0350, subpart 2, item C, have been satisfied. The plan shall include salary ranges for the various classes, with the salary of each class consistent with the functions outlined in the class specifications. Minimum, intervening, and maximum rates of pay for each class shall be established to provide for salary advancement without change in duty, in recognition of meritorious service. The advice and suggestions of appointing authorities, prevailing salary rates for similar and competing types of employment in business and government, and other relevant factors shall be taken into consideration in developing the salary schedules. Equitable compensation relationships shall be established between female-dominated classes, male-dominated classes, and balanced classes of employees in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 471.991 to 471.999. Classes shall be evaluated in order to determine comparable work value and to establish equitable compensation relationships between classes of positions.

Subp. 2. **Review by council.** The proposed compensation plan, and any amendments to it, shall be submitted to the merit system council for review and recommendation. Upon review and recommendation by the council and after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, Administrative Procedure Act, the commissioner shall formally adopt the compensation plan which shall be the official salary schedule of the Minnesota merit system, effective the date specified.

Subp. 3. Salary plans and salary rates. The comprehensive compensation plan adopted by the commissioner shall provide for a single salary schedule for each occupational grouping of classes including professional, support, clerical and maintenance, and trades classes. The plan shall be established as provided in subpart 1 with minimum and maximum salaries for each class as provided in part 9575.1500. The plan shall be the official plan for all appointing authorities until amended.

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