

**4670.0820 PUBLIC HEALTH MERIT SYSTEM COUNCIL.**

Subpart 1. **Council.** The public health merit system council shall be the council appointed by the governor to serve as the council for the county welfare merit system.

Subp. 2. **Duties.** It shall be the duty of the council within the scope of parts 4670.0100 to 4670.4240:

A. to establish general policies for the administration of merit examinations and the hearing of personnel appeals as provided in parts 4670.3500 to 4670.3550;

B. to hear such appeals or to appoint an appeal board of three members or to appoint a referee to hear such appeals on its behalf;

C. to consult with the supervisor in formulating procedures for the purpose of ensuring conformity with the rules and the policies of the council;

D. to review the classification and compensation plans in relation to the merit system program of recruitment and examination and to consult with the commissioner on their adoption and revision;

E. to make recommendations to the commissioner about internal personnel policies to ensure conformity with parts 4670.0100 to 4670.4240;

F. to promote public understanding of the purposes, policies, and practices of the merit system; and

G. to review and make recommendations to the commissioner about amendments to the rules of the public health merit system.

Subp. 3. **Meetings of the council.** Meetings of the council shall be held as often as necessary and practicable upon call of the chair, of the supervisor, or of the commissioner. The commissioner shall have the right to be represented at all meetings of the council, but such representation shall be without voting power. The council shall adopt procedures for the conduct of its activities.

Subp. 4. **Reimbursement.** Each member of the council shall be paid \$50 per regular meeting, but no member shall be paid more than \$600 in any one calendar year for regular meetings. Each member of the council shall be paid \$50 per day when serving on an appeal or hearing board. In addition members whose residence is in excess of 50 miles of the place of meeting shall be compensated for travel expenses and, in an instance in which the meeting is scheduled for more than one day or when the hour of the beginning of the meeting, or the close of the meeting, does not allow coming from or returning to the place of residence within a reasonable time, for lodging and meals.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 144.071*

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