5510.5130 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. Scope. For the purposes of parts 5510.5110 to 5510.5180, the terms defined in this part have the meanings given them.

Subp. 1a. **Appropriate unit.** "Appropriate unit" has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.03, subdivision 2.

Subp. 2. Bureau. "Bureau" means the Bureau of Mediation Services.

Subp. 2a. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the bureau.

Subp. 3. Days. "Days" means calendar days.

Subp. 3a. **Exclusive representative.** "Exclusive representative" has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.03, subdivision 8.

Subp. 4. **Employee.** "Employee" means a public employee who is employed in a position that is part of an appropriate unit for which an exclusive representative has been certified under Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.12.

Subp. 5. Grievance. "Grievance" means:

A. a dispute or disagreement on applying or interpreting a contract term required under Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.20, subdivision 1; or

B. if no contract exists between the exclusive representative and the employer, a dispute or disagreement on the existence of just cause in the discipline of an employee or the termination of nonprobationary employees.

Subp. 6. **Nonprobationary.** "Nonprobationary" means an employee who has completed an initial probationary period required as a part of the public employer's employment process.

Subp. 7. **Party.** "Party" means either the exclusive representative and its authorized agent or the employer and its authorized representative.

Subp. 8. Service. "Service" has the meaning given in part 5510.0310, subpart 19, and part 5510.0320 applies.

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