

179A.22 STATE AND ITS EMPLOYEES; NEGOTIATIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Appointing authority.** For purposes of this section the term "appointing authority" has the meaning given it by section 43A.02, subdivision 5.

Subd. 2. **Employer.** The employer of state executive branch employees shall be, for purposes of sections 179A.01 to 179A.25, the commissioner of finance or the commissioner's representative.

Subd. 3. **Duties.** In all negotiations between the executive branch of the state and exclusive representatives, the state executive branch shall be represented by the commissioner of finance or the commissioner's representative. The attorney general, and each appointing authority shall cooperate with the commissioner of finance in conducting negotiations and shall make available any personnel and other resources necessary to enable the commissioner to conduct effective negotiations.

Subd. 4. **Agreements.** The commissioner of finance is authorized to enter into agreements with exclusive representatives. The negotiated agreements and arbitration decision must be submitted to the legislature to be accepted or rejected in accordance with this section and section 3.855.

History: 1984 c 462 s 23; 1986 c 444; 1992 c 582 s 24; 1994 c 560 art 2 s 20; 1999 c 216 art 7 s 14,15; 2008 c 204 s 42