

**4.04 POWERS.**

Subdivision 1. **Appointments; state seal.** The governor shall appoint and when necessary commission all officers and employees of the state whose selection is not otherwise provided for by law and, at pleasure, may remove any such appointee whose term of service is not by law prescribed. The governor shall exercise such powers of appointment, suspension, and removal in respect of other officials as are conferred by law. Whenever the great seal of the state is lost or worn out, the governor shall cause the same to be replaced.

Subd. 2. **Delegation to lieutenant governor.** The governor may delegate to the lieutenant governor such powers, duties, responsibilities and functions as are prescribed by law to be performed by the governor, subject to the governor's control, by filing a written order specifying such delegation with the secretary of state; provided, however, that no power, duty, responsibility or function imposed upon the governor by the Constitution shall be delegated by such written order or otherwise.

**History:** (58) *RL s 29*; 1971 *c 949 s 1*; 1986 *c 444*