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AN ACT to amend article three, chapter eighteen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section nine; and to amend and reenact sections eight, eight-a and eight-e, article four of said chapter, all relating to creating county service personnel staff development councils; establishing a class title "autism mentor" and providing a pay scale grade for those personnel; providing minimum pay for service personnel engaged in the removal of asbestos material or related duties; and redefining certain instances when an employee is deemed qualified for a classification title.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three, chapter eighteen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section nine; and that sections eight, eight-a and eight-e, article four of said chapter be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

- ARTICLE 3. TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, LICENSING, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.
- §18A-3-9. County service personnel staff development councils.

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- The Legislature finds the professional expertise and insight of service personnel to be an invaluable ingredient in the development and delivery of staff development programs which meet the needs of service personnel.
- 6 Therefore, a service personnel staff development 7 council comprised of representation from the various 8 categories of service personnel employment shall be established in each school district in the state in 9 10 accordance with rules adopted by the state board of education. Nominations of service personnel to serve on 11 12 the county service personnel staff development council 13 may be submitted by the six groups as defined in section 14 one, article one, subsection (e) of the district to the 15 county superintendent who shall prepare and distribute 16 ballots and tabulate the votes of the counties service 17 personnel voting on the persons nominated. Each county 18 staff service personnel development council shall consist 19 of two employees from each category of employment. 20 Such councils shall have final authority to propose staff development programs for their peers based upon rules 21 22 established by statute and the council on service 23 personnel education. The county superintendent or a 24 designee shall enjoy an advisory, nonvoting role on said 25 council. The county board shall make available an 26 amount equal to one tenth of one percent of the amounts 27 provided in accordance with section five, article nine-a. chapter eighteen of this code and credit such funds to 28 29 an account to be used by the council to fulfill its objectives. The local board will have the final approval 30 31 of all proposed disbursements.

ARTICLE 4. SALARIES, WAGES AND OTHER BENEFITS.

§18A-4-8. Employment term and class titles of service personnel; definitions.

- 1 The purpose of this section is to establish an employ-
- 2 ment term and class titles for service personnel. The
- 3 employment term for service personnel shall be no less
- 4 than ten months, a month being defined as twenty
- 5 employment days: Provided, That the county board of

6 education may contract with all or part of these 7 personnel for a longer term. The beginning and closing 8 dates of the ten-month employment term shall not 9 exceed forty-three weeks.

Service personnel employed on a yearly or twelvemonth basis may be employed by calendar months. Whenever there is a change in job assignment during the school year, the minimum pay scale and any county supplement shall be applicable.

Service personnel employed in the same classification for more than the two hundred day minimum employment term shall be paid for additional employment at a daily rate of not less than the daily rate paid for the two hundred day minimum employment term.

No service employee, without his agreement, shall be required to report for work more than five days per week and no part of any working day may be accumulated by the employer for future work assignments, unless the employee agrees thereto.

Should an employee whose regular work week is scheduled from Monday through Friday agree to perform any work assignments on a Saturday or Sunday, the employee shall be paid for at least one-half day of work for each such day he reports for work, and if the employee works more than three and one-half hours on any Saturday or Sunday, he shall be paid for a least a full day of work for each such day.

Custodians required to work a daily work schedule that is interrupted, that is, who do not work a continuous period in one day, shall be paid additional compensation which shall be equal to at least one eighth of their total salary as provided by their state minimum salary and any county pay supplement, and payable entirely from county funds.

Upon the change in classification or upon meeting the requirements of an advanced classification of or by any employee, his salary shall be made to comply with the requirements of this article, and to any county salary schedule in excess of the minimum requirements of this

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article, based upon his advanced classification and allowable years of employment.

An employee's contract as provided in section five, article two of this chapter shall state the appropriate monthly salary the employee is to be paid, based on the class title as provided in this article and any county salary schedule in excess of the minimum requirements of this article.

The column heads of the state minimum pay scale and class titles, set forth in section eight-a of this article, are defined as follows:

"Pay grade" means the monthly salary applicable to class titles of service personnel.

"Years of employment" means the number of years which an employee classified as service personnel has been employed by a board of education in any position prior to or subsequent to the effective date of this section and including service in the armed forces of the United States if the employee were employed at the time of his induction. For the purpose of section eight-a of this article, years of employment shall be limited to the number of years shown and allowed under the state minimum pay scale as set forth in section eight-a of this article.

"Class title" means the name of the position or job held by service personnel.

"Accountant I" means personnel employed to maintain payroll records and reports and perform one or more operations relating to a phase of the total payroll.

"Accountant II" means personnel employed to maintain accounting records and to be responsible for the accounting process associated with billing, budgets, purchasing and related operations.

"Accountant III" means personnel who are employed in the county board of education office to manage and supervise accounts payable and/or payroll procedures.

"Aide I" means those personnel selected and trained for teacher-aide classifications such as monitor aide, clerical aide, classroom aide or general aide.

"Aide II" means those personnel referred to in the "Aide I" classification who have completed a training program approved by the state board of education, or who hold a high school diploma or have received a general educational development certificate. Only personnel classified in an Aide II class title shall be employed as an aide in any special education program.

"Aide III" means those personnel referred to in the "Aide I" classification who hold a high school diploma or a general educational development certificate, and have completed six semester hours of college credit at an institution of higher education or are employed as an aide in a special education program and have one year's experience as an aide in special education.

"Aide IV" means personnel referred to in the "Aide I" classification who hold a high school diploma or a general educational development certificate and who have completed eighteen hours of state board-approved college credit at a regionally accredited institution of higher education, or who have completed fifteen hours of state board-approved college credit at a regionally accredited institution of higher education and successfully completed an in-service training program determined by the state board to be the equivalent of three hours of college credit.

"Audiovisual technician" means personnel employed to perform minor maintenance on audiovisual equipment, films, supplies and the filling of requests for equipment.

"Auditor" means personnel employed to examine and verify accounts of individual schools and to assist schools and school personnel in maintaining complete and accurate records of their accounts.

"Autism mentor" means personnel who work with autistic students and who meets standards and experience to be determined by the state board: *Provided*, That the state board shall determine these standards and experience on or before the first day of July, one

- 122 thousand nine hundred ninety-two.
- "Braille or sign language specialist" means personnel
- 124 employed to provide braille and/or sign language
- 125 assistance to students.
- "Bus operator" means personnel employed to operate
- school buses and other school transportation vehicles as
- 128 provided by the state board of education.
- "Buyer" means personnel employed to review and
- 130 write specifications, negotiate purchase bids and
- 131 recommend purchase agreements for materials and
- 132 services that meet predetermined specifications at the
- 133 lowest available costs.
- "Cabinetmaker" means personnel employed to con-
- struct cabinets, tables, bookcases and other furniture.
- "Cafeteria manager" means personnel employed to
- 137 direct the operation of a food services program in a
- 138 school, including assigning duties to employees, approv-
- 139 ing requisitions for supplies and repairs, keeping
- 140 inventories, inspecting areas to maintain high standards
- 141 of sanitation, preparing financial reports and keeping
- records pertinent to food services of a school.
- "Carpenter I" means personnel classified as a carpen-
- 144 ter's helper.
- "Carpenter II" means personnel classified as a
- 146 journeyman carpenter.
- "Chief mechanic" means personnel employed to be
- 148 responsible for directing activities which ensure that
- 149 student transportation or other board-owned vehicles
- are properly and safely maintained.
- "Clerk I" means personnel employed to perform
- 152 clerical tasks.
- 153 "Clerk II" means personnel employed to perform
- 154 general clerical tasks, prepare reports and tabulations
- and operate office machines.
- "Computer operator" means qualified personnel
- 157 employed to operate computers.

- "Cook I" means personnel employed as a cook's helper.
- 159 "Cook II" means personnel employed to interpret
- 160 menus, to prepare and serve meals in a food service
- 161 program of a school and shall include personnel who
- have been employed as a "Cook I" for a period of four
- years, if such personnel have not been elevated to this
- 164 classification within that period of time.
- "Cook III" means personnel employed to prepare and
- 166 serve meals, make reports, prepare requisitions for
- 167 supplies, order equipment and repairs for a food service
- 168 program of a school system.
- "Crew leader" means personnel employed to organize
- 170 the work for a crew of maintenance employees to carry
- 171 out assigned projects.
- "Custodian I" means personnel employed to keep
- 173 buildings clean and free of refuse.
- "Custodian II" means personnel employed as a
- 175 watchman or groundsman.
- "Custodian III" means personnel employed to keep
- 177 buildings clean and free of refuse, to operate the heating
- 178 or cooling systems and to make minor repairs.
- "Custodian IV" means personnel employed as head
- 180 custodians. In addition to providing services as defined
- in "Custodian III," their duties may include supervising
- 182 other custodian personnel.
- "Director or coordinator of services" means personnel
- 184 not defined as professional personnel or professional
- 185 educators in section one, article one of this chapter, who
- are assigned to direct a department or division.
- "Draftsman" means personnel employed to plan,
- 188 design and produce detailed architectural/engineering
- 189 drawings.
- 190 "Electrician I" means personnel employed as an
- 191 apprentice electrician helper or who holds an electrician
- 192 helper license issued by the state fire marshal.
- 193 "Electrician II" means personnel employed as an
- 194 electrician journeyman or who holds a journeyman

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195 electrician license issued by the state fire marshal.

196 "Electronic technician I" means personnel employed 197 at the apprentice level to repair and maintain electronic 198 equipment.

"Electronic technician II" means personnel employed at the journeyman level to repair and maintain electronic equipment.

"Executive secretary" means personnel employed as the county school superintendent's secretary or as a secretary who is assigned to a position characterized by significant administrative duties.

"Food services supervisor" means qualified personnel not defined as professional personnel or professional educators in section one, article one of this chapter, employed to manage and supervise a county school system's food service program. The duties would include preparing in-service training programs for cooks and food service employees, instructing personnel in the areas of quantity cooking with economy and efficiency, and keeping aggregate records and reports.

"Foremen" means skilled persons employed for supervision of personnel who work in the areas of repair and maintenance of school property and equipment.

"General maintenance" means personnel employed as helpers to skilled maintenance employees and to perform minor repairs to equipment and buildings of a county school system.

"Glazier" means personnel employed to replace glass or other materials in windows and doors and to do minor carpentry tasks.

225 "Graphic artist" means personnel employed to prepare 226 graphic illustrations.

"Groundsmen" means personnel employed to perform duties that relate to the appearance, repair and general care of school grounds in a county school system. Additional assignments may include the operation of a small heating plant and routine cleaning duties in buildings.

233 "Handyman" means personnel employed to perform 234 routine manual tasks in any operation of the county 235 school system.

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"Heating and air conditioning mechanic I" means personnel employed at the apprentice level to install, repair and maintain heating and air conditioning plants and related electrical equipment.

"Heating and air conditioning mechanic II" means personnel employed at the journeyman level to install, repair and maintain heating and air conditioning plants and related electrical equipment.

"Heavy equipment operator" means personnel em-245 ployed to operate heavy equipment.

246 "Inventory supervisor" means personnel who are 247 employed to supervise or maintain operations in the 248 receipt, storage, inventory and issuance of materials and 249 supplies.

250 "Key punch operator" means qualified personnel 251 employed to operate key punch machines or verifying 252 machines.

253 "Locksmith" means personnel employed to repair and 254 maintain locks and safes.

"Lubrication man" means personnel employed to lubricate and service gasoline or diesel-powered equipment of a county school system.

"Machinist" means personnel employed to perform machinist tasks which include the ability to operate a lathe, planer, shaper, threading machine and wheel press. Such personnel should also have ability to work from blueprints and drawings.

"Mail clerk" means personnel employed to receive, sort, dispatch, deliver or otherwise handle letters, parcels and other mail.

"Maintenance clerk" means personnel employed to maintain and control a stocking facility to keep adequate tools and supplies on hand for daily withdrawal for all school maintenance crafts.

270 "Mason" means personnel employed to perform tasks 271 connected with brick and block laying and carpentry 272 tasks related to such laying.

"Mechanic" means personnel employed who can independently perform skilled duties in the maintenance and repair of automobiles, school buses and other mechanical and mobile equipment to use in a county school system.

278 "Mechanic assistant" means personnel employed as a 279 mechanic apprentice and helper.

"Multi-classification" means personnel employed to perform tasks that involve the combination of two or more class titles in this section or as created by the West Virginia board of education. In such instances the minimum salary scale shall be the higher pay grade of the class titles involved.

"Office equipment repairman I" means personnel employed as an office equipment repairman apprentice or helper.

"Office equipment repairman II" means personnel responsible for servicing and repairing all office machines and equipment. Personnel shall be responsible for parts being purchased necessary for the proper operation of a program of continuous maintenance and repair.

"Painter" means personnel employed to perform duties of painting, finishing and decorating of wood, metal and concrete surfaces of buildings, other structures, equipment, machinery and furnishings of a county school system.

"Paraprofessional" means a person certified pursuant to section two-a, article three of this chapter to perform duties in a support capacity including, but not limited to, facilitating in the instruction and direct or indirect supervision of pupils under the direction of a principal, a teacher, or another designated professional educator: *Provided*, That no person employed on the effective date of this section in the position of an aide may be reduced in force or transferred to create a vacancy for the

- 309 employment of a paraprofessional.
- "Plumber I" means personnel employed as an apprentice plumber and helper.
- "Plumber II" means personnel employed as a journeyman plumber.
- "Printing operator" means personnel employed to operate duplication equipment, and as required, to cut, collate, staple, bind and shelve materials.
- "Printing supervisor" means personnel employed to supervise the operation of a print shop.
- "Programmer" means personnel employed to design and prepare programs for computer operation.
- 321 "Roofing/sheet metal mechanic" means personnel 322 employed to install, repair, fabricate and maintain roofs, 323 gutters, flashing and duct work for heating and 324 ventilation.
- "Sanitation plant operator" means personnel employed 326 to operate and maintain a water or sewage treatment 327 plant to ensure the safety of the plant's effluent for 328 human consumption or environmental protection.
- "School bus supervisor" means qualified personnel employed to assist in selecting school bus operators and routing and scheduling of school buses, operate a bus when needed, relay instructions to bus operators, plan emergency routing of buses and promoting good relationships with parents, pupils, bus operators and other employees.
- "Secretary I" means personnel employed to transcribe from notes or mechanical equipment, receive callers, perform clerical tasks, prepare reports and operate office machines.
- "Secretary II" means personnel employed in any delementary, secondary, kindergarten, nursery, special education, vocational or any other school as a secretary. The duties may include performing general clerical tasks, transcribing from notes or stenotype or mechanical equipment or a sound-producing machine, prepar-

ing reports, receiving callers and referring them to proper persons, operating office machines, keeping records and handling routine correspondence. There is nothing implied herein that would prevent such employees from holding or being elevated to a higher classification.

"Secretary III" means personnel assigned to the county board of education office administrators in charge of various instructional, maintenance, transportation, food services, operations and health departments, federal programs or departments with particular responsibilities of purchasing and financial control or any personnel who have served in a position which meets the definition of "Secretary II" or "Secretary III" herein for eight years.

"Supervisor of maintenance" means skilled personnel not defined as professional personnel or professional educators as in section one, article one of this chapter. The responsibilities would include directing the upkeep of buildings and shops, issuing instructions to subordinates relating to cleaning, repairs and maintenance of all structures and mechanical and electrical equipment of a board of education.

"Supervisor of transportation" means qualified personnel employed to direct school transportation activities, properly and safely, and to supervise the maintenance and repair of vehicles, buses, and other mechanical and mobile equipment used by the county school system.

"Switchboard operator-receptionist" means personnel employed to refer incoming calls, to assume contact with the public, to direct and to give instructions as necessary, to operate switchboard equipment and to provide clerical assistance.

"Truck driver" means personnel employed to operate light or heavy duty gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles.

"Warehouse clerk" means personnel employed to be responsible for receiving, storing, packing and shipping goods. "Watchman" means personnel employed to protect school property against damage or theft. Additional assignments may include operation of a small heating plant and routine cleaning duties.

"Welder" means personnel employed to provide acetylene or electric welding services for a school system.

In addition to the compensation provided for in section eight-a of this article, for service personnel, each service employee shall, notwithstanding any provisions in this code to the contrary, be entitled to all service personnel employee rights, privileges and benefits provided under this or any other chapter of this code without regard to such employee's hours of employment or the methods or sources of compensation.

Service personnel whose years of employment exceed the number of years shown and provided for under the state minimum pay scale set forth in section eight-a of this article may not be paid less than the amount shown for the maximum years of employment shown and provided for in the classification in which he is employed.

The county boards shall review each service personnel employee job classification annually and shall reclassify all service employees as required by such job classifications. The state superintendent of schools is hereby authorized to withhold state funds appropriated pursuant to this article for salaries for service personnel who are improperly classified by such county boards. Further, he shall order county boards to correct immediately any improper classification matter and with the assistance of the attorney general shall take any legal action necessary against any county board to enforce such order.

The state board of education is authorized to establish other class titles of service personnel positions and jobs not listed in this section. The state board of education is further authorized to provide appropriate pay grades for such positions and jobs but pay shall be established within the minimum salary scale in section eight-a of

425 this article.

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426 No service employee, without his written consent, may 427 be reclassified by class title, nor may a service employee. 428 without his written consent, be relegated to any 429 condition of employment which would result in a 430 reduction of his salary, rate of pay, compensation or 431 benefits earned during the current fiscal year or which 432 would result in a reduction of his salary, rate of pay, 433 compensation or benefits for which he would qualify by 434 continuing in the same job position and classification 435 held during said fiscal year and subsequent years.

Any board failing to comply with the provisions of this article may be compelled to do so by mandamus, and 438 shall be liable to any party prevailing against the board 439 for court costs and his reasonable attorney fee, as 440 determined and established by the court.

441 Notwithstanding any provisions in this code to the 442 contrary, service personnel who hold a continuing 443 contract in a specific job classification and are physically unable to perform the job's duties as confirmed by 444 a physician chosen by the employee shall be given 445 446 priority status over any employee not holding a contin-447 uing contract in filling other service personnel job 448 vacancies if qualified as provided in section eight-e of 449 this article.

§18A-4-8a. Service personnel minimum monthly salaries.

STATE MINIMUM PAY SCALE PAY GRADE 1

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6	1	972	992	1,032	1,082	1,132	1,192	1,222	1,292
7	2	994	1,014	1,054	1,104	1,154	1,214	1,244	1,314
8	3	1,016	1,036	1,076	1,126	1,176	1,236	1,266	1,336
9	4	1,038	1,058	1,098	1,148	1,198	1,258	1,288	1,358
10	5	1,060	1,080	1,120	1,170	1,220	1,280	1,310	1,380
11	6	1,082	1,102	1,142	1,192	1,242	1,302	1,332	1,402
12	7	1,104	1,124	1,164	1,214	1,264	1,324	1,354	1,424
13	8	1,126	1,146	1,186	1,236	1,286	1,346	1,376	1,446

14	9	1,148	1,168	1,208	1,258	1,308	1,368	1,398	1,468
15	10	1,170	1,190	1,230	1,280	1,330	1,390	1,420	1,490
16	11	1,192	1,212	1,252	1,302	1,352	1,412	1,442	1,512
17	12	1,214	1,234	1,274	1,324	1,374	1,434	1,464	1,534
18	13	1,236	1,256	1,296	1,346	1,396	1,456	1,486	1,556
19	14	1,258	1,278	1,318	1,368	1,418	1,478	1,508	1,578
20	15	1,280	1,300	1,340	1,390	1,440	1,500	1,530	1,600
21	16	1,302	1,322	1,362	1,412	1,462	1,522	1,552	1,622
22	17	1,324	1,344	1,384	1,434	1,484	1,544	1,574	1,644
23	18	1,346	1,366	1,406	1,456	1,506	1,566	1,596	1,666
24	19	1,368	1,388	1,428	1,478	1,528	1,588	1,618	1,688
25	20	1,390	1,410	1,450	1,500	1,550	1,610	1,640	1,710
26	21	1,412	1,432	1,472	1,522	1,572	1,632	1,662	1,732
27	22	1,434	1,454	1,494	1,544	1,594	1,654	1,684	1,754
28	23	1,456	1,476	1,516	1,566	1,616	1,676	1,706	1,776
29	24	1,478	1,498	1,538	1,588	1,638	1,698	1,728	1,798
30	25	1,500	1,520	1,560	1,610	1,660	1,720	1,750	1,820
31	26	1,522	1,542	1,582	1,632	1,682	1,742	1,772	1,842
32	27	1,544	1,564	1,604	1,654	1,704	1,764	1,794	1,864
33	28	1,566	1,586	1,626	1,676	1,726	1,786	1,816	1,886
34	29	1,588	1,608	1,648	1,698	1,748	1,808	1,838	1,908
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74	Foreman	.G
75	General Maintenance	C
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77	Graphic Artist	.D
78	Groundsman	.В
79	Handyman	
80	Heating and Air Conditioning Mechanic I	.E
81	Heating and Air Conditioning Mechanic II	.G
82	Heavy Equipment Operator	.E
83	Inventory Supervisor	.D
84	Key Punch Operator	.В
85	Locksmith	
86	Lubrication Man	
87	Machinist	
88	Mail Clerk	
89	Maintenance Clerk	
90	Mason	
91	Mechanic	
92	Mechanic Assistant	
93	Office Equipment Repairman I	.F
94	Office Equipment Repairman II	
95	Painter	
96	Paraprofessional	
97	Plumber I	$\cdot \mathbf{E}$

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99	Printing OperatorB
100	Printing SupervisorD
101	ProgrammerH
102	Roofing/Sheet Metal MechanicF
103	Sanitation Plant OperatorF
104	School Bus Supervisor E
105	Secretary ID
106	Secretary IIE
107	Secretary IIIF
108	Supervisor of Maintenance
109	Supervisor of Transportation
110	Switchboard Operator-Receptionist
111	Truck DriverD
112	Warehouse Clerk
113	WatchmanB
114	WelderF
115	On and after the first day of July, one thousand nine
116	hundred ninety-two, the minimum monthly pay for each
117	service employee whose employment is for a period of
118	more than three and one-half hours a day shall be at
119	least the amounts indicated in the "state minimum pay
120	scale pay grade" as set forth in this section, and the
121	minimum monthly pay for each service employee whose
122	employment is for a period of three and one-half hours
123	or less a day shall be at least one half the amount
124	indicated in the "state minimum pay scale pay grade"
125	set forth in this section: Provided, That upon the
126	effective date of this section through the remainder of
127	the school year one thousand nine hundred ninety-one —
128	ninety-two, in lieu of the minimum monthly pay scale
129	pay grade for service employees in effect as set forth in
130	this section, each service employee shall be paid such
131	amount as he or she would be due under the provisions
132	of this section over his or her full employment term on
133	the basis of the "state minimum pay scale pay grade".
134	The difference between such amount and any amount
135	already paid to such employee in such school year shall
136	be prorated over such portion of the employees employ-
137	ment term as remains: Provided, however, That the state
138	department of education shall notify each service
139	employee that the amounts paid to them for the

remainder of their employment term in the school year one thousand nine hundred ninety-one — ninety-two will be greater than they would normally be due under the minimum monthly pay scale, because of the pro rata distribution, and that their minimum monthly salaries will decrease slightly during the next school year when the salary increase is paid over the full employment term: Provided further. That on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-two, the minimum monthly pay for each service employee whose employment is for a period of more than three and one-half hours a day shall be at least the amounts indicated in the "state minimum pay scale pay grade" as set forth in this section, and the minimum monthly pay for each service employee whose employment is for a period of three and one-half hours or less a day shall be at least one half the amount indicated in the "state minimum pay scale pay grade" set forth in this section. An additional ten dollars per month shall be added to the minimum monthly pay of each service employee who holds a high school diploma or its equivalent.

Any service employee required to work on any legal school holiday shall be paid at a rate one and one-half times such employee's usual hourly rate.

Any full-time service personnel required to work in excess of their normal working day during any week which contains a school holiday for which they are paid shall be paid for such additional hours or fraction thereof at a rate of one and one-half times their usual hourly rate and paid entirely from county board of education funds.

No service employee shall have his or her daily work schedule changed during the school year without such employee's written consent, and such employee's required daily work hours shall not be changed to prevent the payment of time and one-half wages or the employment of another employee.

The minimum hourly rate of pay for extra-duty assignments as defined in section eight-b of this article shall be no less than one seventh of the employee's daily

180 total salary for each hour the employee is involved in 181 performing the assignment and paid entirely from local 182 funds: Provided, That an alternative minimum hourly 183 rate of pay for performing extra-duty assignments 184 within a particular category of employment may be 185 utilized if the alternate hourly rate of pay is approved 186 both by the county board of education and by the 187 affirmative vote of a two-thirds majority of the regular 188 full-time employees within that classification category of 189 employment within that county: Provided, however, That 190 the vote shall be by secret ballot if so requested by a 191 service personnel employee within that classification 192 category within that county. The salary for any fraction 193 of an hour the employee is involved in performing the 194 assignment shall be prorated accordingly. When per-195 forming extra-duty assignments, employees who are 196 regularly employed on a one-half day salary basis shall 197 receive the same hourly extra-duty assignment pay computed as though such an employee were employed 198 199 on a full-day salary basis.

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The minimum pay for any service personnel emplovees engaged in the removal of asbestos material or related duties required for asbestos removal shall be their regular total daily rate of pay and no less than an additional three dollars per hour or no less than five dollars per hour for service personnel supervising asbestos removal responsibilities for each hour these employees are involved in asbestos related duties. Related duties required for asbestos removal which shall include, but not be limited to, travel, preparation of the work site, removal of asbestos, decontamination of the work site, placing and removal of equipment and removal of structures from the site. If any member of an asbestos crew is engaged in asbestos related duties outside of the employee's regular employment county. the daily rate of pay shall be no less than the minimum amount as established in the employee's regular employment county for asbestos removal and an additional thirty dollars per each day the employee is engaged in asbestos removal and related duties. The additional pay for asbestos removal and related duties shall be payable entirely from county funds. Before service personnel

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- 222 employees may be utilized in the removal of asbestos
- 223 material or related duties they shall have completed a
- 224 federal Environmental Protection Act approved train-
- 225 ing program and be licensed. The employer shall
- 226 provide all necessary protective equipment and main-
- 227 tain all records required by the Environmental Protec-
- 228 tion Act.

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§18A-4-8e. Competency testing for service personnel.

1 The state board of education shall develop and cause 2 to be made available competency tests for all of the 3 classification titles defined in section eight and listed in 4 section eight-a of this article for service personnel. Each 5 classification title defined and listed shall be considered 6 a separate classification category of employment for 7 service personnel and shall have a separate competency 8 test, except for those class titles having Roman numeral 9 designations, which shall be considered a single classification of employment and shall have a single compet-10 ency test. The cafeteria manager class title shall be 11 12 included in the same classification category as cooks and shall have the same competency test. The executive 13 14 secretary class title shall be included in the same 15 classification category as secretaries and shall have the same competency test. The classification titles of chief 16 17 mechanic, mechanic, and assistant mechanic shall be 18 included in one classification title and shall have the 19 same competency test.

The purpose of these tests shall be to provide county boards of education a uniform means of determining whether school service personnel employees who do not hold a classification title in a particular category of employment can meet the definition of the classification title in another category of employment as defined in section eight of this article. Competency tests shall not be used to evaluate employees who hold the classification title in the category of their employment.

The competency test shall consist of an objective written and/or performance test: *Provided*, That applicants shall have the opportunity of taking the written test orally if requested. Oral tests shall be recorded

mechanically and kept on file. Persons administering the oral test shall not know the applicant personally. The performance test for all classifications and categories other than Bus Operator shall be administered by a vocational school which serves the county board of education. A standard passing score shall be established by the state department of education for each test and shall be used by county boards of education. The subject matter of each competency test shall be commensurate with the requirements of the definitions of the classification titles as provided in section eight of this article. The subject matter of each competency test shall be designed in such a manner that achieving a passing grade will not require knowledge and skill in excess of the requirements of the definitions of the classification titles. Achieving a passing score shall conclusively demonstrate the qualification of an applicant for a classification title. Once an employee passes the competency test of a classification title, said applicant shall be fully qualified to fill vacancies in that classification category of employment as provided in, section eight-b of this article and shall not be required to take the competency test again.

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An applicant who fails to achieve a passing score shall be given other opportunities to pass the competency test when making application for another vacancy within the classification category.

Competency tests shall be administered to applicants in a uniform manner under uniform testing conditions. County boards of education shall be responsible for scheduling competency tests and shall not utilize a competency test other than the test authorized by this section.

When scheduling of the competency test conflicts with the work schedule of a school employee who has applied for a vacancy, said employee must be excused from work to take said competency test without loss of pay.

A minimum of one day of appropriate inservice training shall be provided employees to assist them in preparing to take the competency tests.

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- Competency tests shall be utilized to determine the qualification of new applicants seeking initial employment in a particular classification title as either a regular or substitute employee.
- Notwithstanding any provisions in this code to the contrary, once an employee holds or has held a classification title in a category of employment, that employee shall be deemed as qualified for said classification title even though that employee no longer holds that classification.
- The requirements of this section shall not be construed to alter the definitions of class titles as provided in section eight of this article nor the procedure and requirements of section eight-b of this article.
- The testing procedures of this section shall be implemented effective the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one.

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