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**HOUSE BILL 13-1298** 

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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING EMPLOYMENT POLICIES RELATED TO NONCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE.

## **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill changes employment policies related to employees in the senior executive service and specified departmental positions. These employees are exempt from the state personnel system, subject to the approval of the state personnel director, as a result of a 2012 constitutional amendment. Specifically, the bill establishes that:

- ! The salaries for these nonclassified employees are based on policies established by the state personnel director;
- ! If an employee in the senior executive service is dismissed for failure to perform, he or she is not permitted to appeal directly to the state personnel board;
- ! Senior executive service employees have no right to any position within the state; and
- ! The departmental nonclassified employees are not entitled to anniversary-based merit increases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-50-104, **amend** 

3 (5) (c) and (5) (d); and **add** (5) (e) as follows:

**24-50-104. Job evaluation and compensation - state employee reserve fund - created - definitions.** (5) **Pay plans.** (c) The senior executive service shall be IS limited to one hundred twenty-five positions. The state personnel director shall establish criteria for inclusion in the senior executive service and shall review each nominated position before it is placed in the pay plan for the senior executive service. The head of the department or agency or state auditor for employees of the state auditor's office shall make appointments to the senior executive service based on competitive selection and is responsible for the management of the employees in such plan. Any person in the senior executive service shall have HAS no right to a ANY position outside of the senior executive service within the State.

(d) In the MEDICAL pay plans, for medical and the senior executive service, there shall be ARE no anniversary-based merit increases. The salaries in such pay plans shall be ARE based on the negotiation of an annual contract between the employee and the department head or the state auditor, when appropriate, and the amount of such salaries may

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1	increase, decrease, or remain unchanged from year to year. Any employee
2	dismissed for failure to perform under such contract may only appeal
3	directly to the state personnel board.
4	(e) IN THE PAY PLANS FOR THE SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE AND
5	THOSE POSITIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 13 (2) (a) (XI) OF ARTICLE XII OF
6	THE STATE CONSTITUTION, THERE ARE NO ANNIVERSARY-BASED MERIT
7	INCREASES. THE SALARIES IN SUCH PAY PLANS ARE BASED ON POLICIES SET
8	FORTH BY THE STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR. THE AMOUNT OF SUCH
9	SALARIES MAY INCREASE, DECREASE, OR REMAIN UNCHANGED FROM YEAR
10	TO YEAR.
11	SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
12	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
13	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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