# **Section 120.71**

# **CHAPTER 74-310**

Section 1. Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, consisting of sections 120.50, 120.51, 120.52, 120.53, 120.54, 120.55, 120.56, 120.57, 120.58, 120.59, 120.60, 120.61, 120.62, 120.63, 120.64, 120.65, 120.66, 120.68, 120.69, 120.70, and 120.71, is created to read:

Section 120.71 is created to read:

- 120.71 Disqualification of agency personnel.--
- (1) Any individual serving alone or with others as an agency head shall be disqualified from serving in an agency proceeding for bias, prejudice, or interest, or other causes for which a judge may be recused. If the disqualified individual holds his position by appointment, the appointing power may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified. If the individual is an elected official, the Governor may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified.
- (2) Any agency action taken by a duly appointed substitute for a disqualified individual shall be as conclusive and effective as if agency action had been taken by the agency as it was constituted prior to any substitution.

## **CHAPTER 78-425**

- Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 120.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 120.71 Disqualification of agency personnel.--
- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 112.3143, any individual serving alone or with others as an agency head shall be disqualified from serving in an agency proceeding for bias, prejudice, or interest, or other causes for which a judge may be recused. If the disqualified individual holds his position by appointment, the appointing power may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified. If the individual is an elected official, the Governor may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified.

#### **CHAPTER 83-329**

Section 2. Section 120.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 112.3143, any individual serving alone or with others as an agency head <u>may shall</u> be disqualified from serving in an agency proceeding for bias, prejudice, <u>or</u> interest <u>when any party to the agency proceeding shows just cause by a suggestion filed within a reasonable period of time prior to the agency proceeding, or other eauses for which a judge may be recused. If the disqualified individual holds his position by appointment, the appointing power may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified. If the individual is an elected official, the Governor may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified. <u>However, if a quorum remains after the individual is disqualified</u>, it shall not be necessary to appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified.</u>
- (2) Any agency action taken by a duly appointed substitute for a disqualified individual shall be as conclusive and effective as if agency action had been taken by the agency as it was constituted prior to any substitution.
- (3) The Administration Commission shall adopt rules of procedure to implement this section.

#### **CHAPTER 95-147**

Section 767. Subsection (1) of section 120.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

120.71 Disqualification of agency personnel

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 112.3143, any individual serving alone or with others as an agency head may be disqualified from serving in an agency proceeding for bias, prejudice, or interest when any party to the agency proceeding shows just cause by a suggestion filed within a reasonable period of time prior to the agency proceeding. If the disqualified individual holds the his position by appointment, the appointing power may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified. If the individual is an elected official, the Governor may appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified, it shall not be necessary to appoint a substitute to serve in the matter from which the individual is disqualified.

## **CHAPTER 96-159**

Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to consider the impact of any agency rulemaking required by proposed legislation and to determine whether the proposed legislation provides adequate and appropriate standards and guidelines to direct the agency's implementation of the proposed legislation.

Section 34. Section 120.71, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as section 120.665, Florida Statutes.