

**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 management and budget or the commissioner's representative.

Subd. 3. **Commissioner of management and budget.** In all negotiations between the executive branch of the state and exclusive representatives, the state executive branch shall be represented by the commissioner of management and budget or the commissioner's representative. The attorney general, and each appointing authority shall cooperate with the commissioner of management and budget 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 management and budget is authorized to enter into agreements with exclusive representatives as provided in section 43A.06, subdivisions 1, paragraph (b), and 3. The Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is authorized to enter into agreements with exclusive representatives as provided in section 43A.06, subdivision 1, paragraph (c). The negotiated agreements and any related arbitration decisions must be implemented by the commissioner of management and budget or the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities respectively, following the approval of the tentative agreement by exclusive representatives.

**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; 2009 c 101 art 2 s 109; 2023 c 62 art 2 s 107