**Section 302.160 Extension of Jurisdiction B**

a) Employees in positions to which Jurisdiction B is extended pursuant to Section 4b of the Personnel Code, and employees appointed pursuant to the provisions of Section 17a of the Personnel Code shall be continued in such positions and shall attain certified status therein provided they pass a qualifying examination prescribed by the Director within 6 months after such jurisdiction is extended, or, in the case of employees appointed pursuant to Section 17a, within 6 months after their appointments, and provided they satisfactorily complete their respective probationary periods.

b) Appropriate standards for probationary appointments shall be prepared by the Director and appointments of such employees shall be without regard to eligible lists and without regard to the provisions of the Personnel Code and this Part requiring the appointment of the person standing among the 3 highest on the appropriate eligible list to fill a vacancy or from the highest category ranking group if the list is by rankings instead of numerical ratings. Nothing herein shall preclude the reclassification or reallocation as provided by these Rules of any position held by any such incumbent.