
Accompanying the seventh recommendation of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 112). Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

AN ACT FURTHER DEFINING THE EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF A SCIENTIFIC OR PROFESSIONAL CHARACTER AS STATED IN THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 31 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out section 6B and inserting in place thereof the
3 following section:—
4 *Section 6B.* Whenever exceptional educational qualifica-
5 tions of a scientific or professional character are established
6 by statute or under authority of statute for a position, the
7 director may rely upon an unassembled examination to
8 qualify and rank applicants for placement, subject to the
9 provisions of section twenty-three, on an eligible list for
10 such position; provided, that wherever, as a condition of
11 receiving Federal grants for programs and activities to which
12 the Federal standards for a merit system of personnel admin-
13 istration relate, Federal requirements make necessary the
14 inclusion of a practical written test in an examination for a
15 position in the service of the commonwealth or political
16 subdivision thereof the provisions of this section relative to
17 an unassembled examination shall not apply to an examina-
18 tion for such position. “Exceptional educational qualifica-
19 tions of a scientific or professional character” shall mean
20 uniquely specialized training and experience as evidenced by
21 an earned doctoral degree from an accredited school or

22 university or an earned masters degree in hospital admin-
23 istration from an accredited school or university.

24 An unassembled examination held under this section shall
25 consist of an evaluation of the applicant's training and expe-
26 rience, set forth in a form prescribed by the director and to
27 which the applicant shall take oath, to determine whether
28 the applicant meets the entrance requirements established
29 by the director as a condition for taking such examination and
30 a rating of each eligible applicant on the basis of such train-
31 ing and experience for placement, subject to the provisions
32 of section twenty-three, on the eligible list for the position
33 for which the examination is held.