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 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or rule,

persons employed by the Legislature for two or more consecutive years

shall be eligible to apply for promotional civil service

examinations, including examinations for career executive

assignments, for which they meet the minimum qualifications as

prescribed by the class specification. Persons receiving passing

scores shall have their names placed on promotional lists resulting

from these examinations or otherwise gain eligibility for

appointment. In evaluating minimum qualifications, related

legislative experience shall be considered state civil service

experience in a comparable class, based on the duties and

responsibilities assigned.

 (b) In cases where promotional examinations are given by more than

one department for the same classification, the employee shall

select one department in which to compete. Once this selection is

made, it cannot be changed for the duration of the promotional list

established from the examination in which the employee participated.

Employees may transfer list eligibility between departments in the

same manner as provided for civil service employees.

 (c) Employees who meet the requirements of this section, are

employed by the Legislature, and who resign or are released from

service, shall be eligible to take promotional civil service

examinations, including examinations for career executive

assignments, for one year following their resignation or release in

accordance with subdivisions (a) and (b).

 (d) Employees who meet the requirements of this section, are

employed by the office of the Auditor General or the office of the

Legislative Analyst as of January 1, 1992, and who resign or are

released from service due to a force reduction of the Legislature

before January 1, 1994, shall be eligible to take promotional civil

service examinations, including career executive assignments, for

three years following their resignation or release in accordance with

subdivisions (a) and (b).

 (e) An employee who establishes eligibility on a promotional civil

service list, either pursuant to subdivision (c) or (d) or prior to

having resigned or having been released in a manner to which

subdivision (c) or (d) would apply, shall maintain that eligibility

for the duration of that particular list.

 (f) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2013.