

ment was made. The vacancy shall not affect the power of the remaining members to execute the duties of the Commission.

**(c) Chairperson and vice chairperson**

The Commission shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from among the members of the Commission.

**(d) Quorum**

Eight members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for all purposes, except that a lesser number may constitute a quorum for the purpose of holding hearings.

(Pub. L. 103-3, title III, §303, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 24.)

**§ 2634. Compensation**

**(a) Pay**

Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation.

**(b) Travel expenses**

Members of the Commission shall be allowed reasonable travel expenses, including a per diem allowance, in accordance with section 5703 of title 5 when performing duties of the Commission.

(Pub. L. 103-3, title III, §304, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 25.)

**§ 2635. Powers**

**(a) Meetings**

The Commission shall first meet not later than 30 days after the date on which all members are appointed, and the Commission shall meet thereafter on the call of the chairperson or a majority of the members.

**(b) Hearings and sessions**

The Commission may hold such hearings, sit and act at such times and places, take such testimony, and receive such evidence as the Commission considers appropriate. The Commission may administer oaths or affirmations to witnesses appearing before it.

**(c) Access to information**

The Commission may secure directly from any Federal agency information necessary to enable it to carry out this subchapter, if the information may be disclosed under section 552 of title 5. Subject to the previous sentence, on the request of the chairperson or vice chairperson of the Commission, the head of such agency shall furnish such information to the Commission.

**(d) Use of facilities and services**

Upon the request of the Commission, the head of any Federal agency may make available to the Commission any of the facilities and services of such agency.

**(e) Personnel from other agencies**

On the request of the Commission, the head of any Federal agency may detail any of the personnel of such agency to serve as an Executive Director of the Commission or assist the Commission in carrying out the duties of the Commission. Any detail shall not interrupt or otherwise affect the civil service status or privileges of the Federal employee.

**(f) Voluntary service**

Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, the chairperson of the Commission may accept for the Commission voluntary services provided by a member of the Commission.

(Pub. L. 103-3, title III, §305, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 25.)

**§ 2636. Termination**

The Commission shall terminate 30 days after the date of the submission of the report of the Commission to Congress.

(Pub. L. 103-3, title III, §306, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 25.)

SUBCHAPTER III—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

**§ 2651. Effect on other laws**

**(a) Federal and State antidiscrimination laws**

Nothing in this Act or any amendment made by this Act shall be construed to modify or affect any Federal or State law prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

**(b) State and local laws**

Nothing in this Act or any amendment made by this Act shall be construed to supersede any provision of any State or local law that provides greater family or medical leave rights than the rights established under this Act or any amendment made by this Act.

(Pub. L. 103-3, title IV, §401, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 26.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 103-3, Feb. 5, 1993, 107 Stat. 6, known as the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, which enacted this chapter, sections 60m and 60n of Title 2, The Congress, and sections 6381 to 6387 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, amended section 2105 of Title 5, and enacted provisions set out as notes under section 2601 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2601 of this title and Tables.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Subchapter effective 6 months after Feb. 5, 1993, see section 405(b)(1) of Pub. L. 103-3, set out as a note under section 2601 of this title.

**§ 2652. Effect on existing employment benefits**

**(a) More protective**

Nothing in this Act or any amendment made by this Act shall be construed to diminish the obligation of an employer to comply with any collective bargaining agreement or any employment benefit program or plan that provides greater family or medical leave rights to employees than the rights established under this Act or any amendment made by this Act.

**(b) Less protective**

The rights established for employees under this Act or any amendment made by this Act shall not be diminished by any collective bargaining agreement or any employment benefit program or plan.