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§2–1104.

(a) With the prior approval of the Legislative Policy Committee, a standing committee, in carrying out any of its functions or powers, may:

- (1) issue subpoenas;
- (2) compel the attendance of witnesses;
- (3) compel the production of any papers, books, accounts, documents, and testimony;
- (4) administer oaths; and
- (5) cause the depositions of witnesses, who reside in or outside of the State, to be taken in the manner provided by law for taking depositions in a civil case.

(b) (1) If a person fails to comply with a subpoena issued under this section or fails to testify on any matter on which the person lawfully may be interrogated, on petition of a member of the standing committee, a circuit court may pass an order directing compliance with the subpoena or compelling testimony and may enforce the order by proceedings for contempt.

(2) Venue and procedures for a proceeding under paragraph (1) of this subsection to direct compliance with a subpoena or compel testimony are as provided in § 2–1803 of this title.

(c) False swearing by a witness before a standing committee is perjury.

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