Sec. 171.03. The Ohio retirement study council may:

(A) Appoint a director to manage and direct the duties of the staff of the council. The director shall be a person who has had training and experience in areas related to the duties of the council.

(B) Appoint such professional, technical, and clerical employees as are necessary, and employ or hire on a consulting basis such actuarial, legal, investment, or other technical services required for the performance of its duties:

(C) Fix the compensation of the director and all other employees of the council. The employees of the council shall be members of the public employees retirement system.

(D) Require the public employees retirement board, the state teachers retirement board, the school employees retirement board, the state highway patrol retirement system, the OHIO police and firemen's disability and FIRE pension fund, and any agency or official of this state or its political subdivisions to provide it with any information necessary to carry out its duties;

(E) Administer oaths and hold public hearings at such times and places within the state as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes and intent of Chapter 171. of the Revised Code.