

*state continuously for twelve months, * * * eighteen working days* leave of absence in each year without loss of pay.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 568.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 2394—9 of the statutes, relating to Christian Science treatment under workmen's compensation act.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (1) of section 2394—9 of the statutes is amended to read: (Section 2394—9) (1) Such medical, surgical and hospital treatment, medicines, medical and surgical supplies, crutches, and apparatus, or, *at the option of the employe, if the employer has not filed notice as hereinafter provided, Christian Science treatment in lieu of medical treatment, medicines and medical supplies*, as may be reasonably required for ninety days immediately following the accident, to cure and relieve from the effects of the injury, and for such additional period of time as in the judgment of the commission will tend to lessen the period of compensation disability, and, in addition thereto, such artificial members as may be reasonably necessary at the end of the healing period, the same to be provided by the employer; and in case of his neglect or refusal seasonably to do so, the employer to be liable for the reasonable expense incurred by or on behalf of the employe in providing the same. Where the employer has knowledge of the injury and the necessity for treatment, his failure to tender the same shall constitute such neglect or refusal. Artificial members furnished at the end of the healing period need not be duplicated. *No compensation shall be payable for the death or disability of an employe, if his death be caused by or in so far as his disability may be aggravated, caused or continued by an unreasonable refusal or neglect to submit to or follow any competent and reasonable surgical treatment. Any employer may elect not to be subject to the provision for Christian Science treatment provided for in this subsection by filing written notice of such election with the industrial commission.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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