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2015 SENATE BILL 183

May 29, 2015 – Introduced by Senators COWLES, LEMAHIEU, MARKLEIN, STROEBEL and WANGGAARD, cosponsored by Representatives STEFFEN, BALLWEG, BRANDTJEN, R. BROOKS, CRAIG, JACQUE, JARCHOW, KREMER, KOOYENGA, KULP, MACCO, MURPHY, NEYLON, PETERSEN, ROHRKASTE and THIESFELDT. Referred to Committee on Government Operations and Consumer Protection.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 13.121 (4); and *to create* 13.121 (4) (b) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** elimination of sick leave for state senators and
3 representatives to the assembly.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, individuals employed by the state, including state senators and representatives to the assembly, are generally entitled to receive paid sick leave as part of their compensation. If a state employee does not use all of his or her sick leave during a calendar year, he or she may accumulate unused sick leave from year to year in a sick leave account. Generally, if a state employee terminates employment and meets certain conditions related to age or years of employment, the employee's accumulated unused sick leave may be converted, at his or her highest basic pay rate, to credits for the payment of postretirement health insurance premiums under a health insurance plan administered by the Group Insurance Board.

This bill provides that no state senator or representative to the assembly may accrue any new sick leave as a state senator or representative to the assembly during any term of office that begins after the bill's effective date. The bill does not affect any sick leave accrued by a state senator or representative to the assembly during a term of office that began before the bill's effective date.

