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1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 712

November 29, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives NASS, F. LASEE, GOETSCH, DOBYNS, LORGE, AINSWORTH, ZIEGELBAUER, PLACHE, WASSERMAN, LAZICH and WALKER. Referred to Committee on Assembly Organization.

- 1 AN ACT to amend 13.121 (4) of the statutes; relating to: accumulated unused
- 2 sick leave program for state legislators.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a state employe in a position that is covered under the Wisconsin retirement system (WRS) is entitled to receive paid sick leave credits as part of his or her compensation under either the state compensation plan or pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement. If a state employe does not use all of his or her sick leave credits during a calendar year, he or she may accumulate this unused sick leave from year to year in a sick leave account. If a state employe terminates covered employment under the WRS and has attained the minimum age to begin receiving a WRS retirement benefit, the employe's accumulated unused sick leave may be converted, at his or her basic pay rate immediately prior to termination, 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 member of the legislature may accumulate unused sick leave from year to year in his or her sick leave account for work performed as a member of the state legislature on or after January 7, 1997.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- 3 **Section 1.** 13.121 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 13.121 (4) Insurance. For the purpose of premium determinations under s.
 - 40.05 (4) and (5) each member of the legislature shall accrue sick leave at a rate

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equivalent to a percentage of time worked recommended for such positions by the secretary of employment relations and approved by the joint committee on employment relations in the same manner as compensation for such positions is determined under s. 20.923, except that for the purpose of s. 40.05 (4) (b) and (bc) no member of the legislature may accumulate unused sick leave from year to year in his or her sick leave account for work performed as a member of the legislature on or

after January 7, 1997. This percentage of time worked shall be applied to the sick

8 leave accrual rate established under s. 230.35 (2). The approved percentage shall be

incorporated into the compensation plan under s. 230.12 (1).

10 (END)