

CHAPTER 586.

AN ACT to amend 14.59 (1) and to repeal and recreate 14.59 (2) of the statutes, relating to the office hours of state employes.

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

SECTION 1. 14.59 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

14.59 (1) The offices of the departments of state government shall be kept open on all days of the year except *Saturdays*, Sundays and holidays. Monday to Friday office hours shall begin at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. with intermissions from 12 noon to 1 p.m. * * * ; *provided, however, that during the summer months from May 1 to October 1, and at other times, departments may, in the discretion of the governor adjust opening and closing hours and intermission periods as the needs of the service require consistent with the principle of the 8-hour day herein established. During a proclaimed national emergency or a limited national emergency, the governor may extend the work week and adjust the working hours to use the available manpower of any or all departments as it is deemed essential. Compensation for such extended work week or adjusted working hours shall be adjusted as provided for in the state's compensation plan.* Heads of departments shall grant to each clerk or other person in their employ, noncumulative leave of absence without loss of pay at the rate of 3 weeks for a full year's service.

SECTION 2. 14.59 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

14.59 (2) The standard basis of employment for the state service shall be 40 hours per week divided into 5 days of 8 hours each, except that where the conditions of employment cannot be fulfilled by adhering to the standard week, deviations may be permitted upon recommendation of the appointing authority and subsequent approval of the bureau of personnel.

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