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CHAPTER 26

AN ACT to amend 14.59 (1) (d) and (e); and to create 14.59 (1) (f) to (L) of the statutes, relating to vacations for state employees.

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

SECTION 1. 14.59 (1) (d) and (e) of the statutes are amended to read:

14.59 (1) (d) Heads of departments shall grant to each person in their employ *who was originally employed after December 31, 1957*, based on his accumulated continuous state service, noncumulative annual leave of absence without loss of pay as follows:

1. \* \* \* *Two weeks* after the first full year's service;
2. \* \* \* *Three weeks* after \* \* \* 5 full years of service;
3. \* \* \* *Four weeks* after \* \* \* 20 full years of service.

(e) Classified employees who are regularly employed for less than 12 months out of a year but who are employed 6 or more months in continuous service in the employing department shall be granted pro rata annual leave consistent with par. (d). Such continuous service need not be in a single calendar year. *These employes, with the approval of their appointing authority, may anticipate the vacation which they will earn during their current period of employment.*

SECTION 2. 14.59 (1) (f) to (k) of the statutes is created to read:

14.59 (1) (f) Heads of departments shall grant to each person in their employ on January 1, 1959, or whose absence on such date is covered under par. (g), who was employed prior to January 1, 1958, noncumulative annual leave of absence without loss of pay at the rate of 3 weeks for a full year's service and, based on his accumulated continuous state service, at the rate of 4 weeks after 20 full years of service. Employees covered under this paragraph, with the approval of their appointing authority, may anticipate the annual leave which they will earn during the current calendar year. Seasonal employees who were employed 6 or more months in 1957 and 1958 and who are reemployed in the same or other seasonal position in 1959 shall be granted pro rata annual leave consistent with this paragraph.

(g) The continuous service of an employe eligible for annual leave shall not be considered interrupted if he: 1. was absent for not more than 30 calendar days; 2. was on an approved leave of absence; or 3. left the service for any reason except to take other employment and is re-employed within 3 years. However, employment by any other political subdivision of this state shall not be construed as other employment.

(h) Any absence of more than 30 days except military leave and absence due to injury or illness arising out of state employment and covered by the workmen's compensation act shall not be counted in computing years of continuous service under this subsection. Employees subject to par. (e), seasonal employees covered under par. (f), and permanent part-time employees covered under par. (k) shall be deemed to have completed one full year of service for each such seasonal or other part-time annual period of service in computing years of continuous service under this subsection.

(i) Annual leave shall not be earned for any period of absence without pay except that for administrative purposes any approved leave of 30 calendar days or less may be disregarded.

(j) The appointing authority shall respect the wishes of the eligible employees as to the time of taking their annual leave insofar as the needs of the service will permit.

(k) Permanent part-time employees whose employment regularly equals or exceeds one-half time on a daily, weekly or monthly basis shall be granted pro rata annual leave consistent with pars. (d) and (f).

(L) Heads of departments shall grant to each person in their employ on January 1, 1960, or whose absence on such date is covered by par. (g) and who received 2 weeks annual leave without loss of pay in 1958 pursuant to the enactment of chapter 553, laws of 1957, an additional week of annual leave without loss of pay in 1960, and to each person in their employ on January 1, 1960, or whose absence on such date is covered by par. (g), and who received one week annual leave without loss of pay in 1958 pursuant to the enactment of chapter 553, laws of 1957, an additional week of annual leave without loss of pay in 1960 and 1961. This paragraph shall apply only to those employees entitled to annual leave without loss of pay in 1960 and 1961, respectively.

SECTION 3. This act shall be effective as to all annual leave granted after January 1, 1959.

SECTION 4. This bill is declared to be an emergency executive budget bill in accordance with the provisions of s. 15.11 (2).

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