

A Bill for an Act Relating to Leaves of Absences of Public Officers and Employees.

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 79-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Section 79-1 Vacations of public officers and employees; exceptions. With the exception of school teachers, principals, and cafeteria managers employed in the public schools of the State, the instructional staff of the University of Hawaii, members of the fire departments of the political subdivisions of the State, and persons employed pursuant to paragraphs (2), (3), and (16) of section 76-16, paragraphs (g), (h), and (i) of section 6-303 of the charter of the city and county of Honolulu, and paragraphs (7), (8), and (12) of section 76-77, all officers and employees of the State or of the political subdivisions of the State and all full-time elected and appointive officers and employees of the State and the political subdivisions of the State shall be entitled to and granted a vacation with pay each calendar year calculated at the rate of one and three-quarters working days for each month of service. A month of service shall be deemed to mean a calendar month in which the employee performs not less than nineteen days of actual service or for calendar months with less than nineteen working days, actual service on all available working days. A provisional employee, as such, shall not be entitled to a vacation with pay, but he shall be entitled to earn and accrue vacation allowances during the term of his provisional appointment, and if upon the termination of his provisional appointment he receives a probationary or limited term or permanent appointment in the same position, he shall be credited with the allowances earned and accrued during the provisional appointment, but if he does not become such probationary or regular employee, the vacation allowances shall be automatically forfeited. Vacation allowances shall be recorded and administered on a calendar year basis, the allowance accruing during each calendar year being credited to employees as of December 31 of each year.

An annual vacation, or any part thereof unused, shall be automatically accumulated for succeeding years, except that the total recorded accumulation shall be in no event more than ninety working days; provided that no more than fifteen days a year may be accumulated unless prior approval is secured by the employee from his department head for the accumulation of the full amount, the accumulation to be granted only for good cause shown; and provided further that no employee shall be granted or permitted to take a vacation in any calendar year in excess of ninety working days, but whenever the employee's accumulated vacation credit exceeds ninety working days he shall be paid salary in lieu of vacation to the extent of the excess if, upon investigation by the comptroller of the State, the director of finance of the city and county of Honolulu, or the county auditor of the other counties, as the case may be, it is found that the excess vacation credit resulted from the employee's inability to be allowed vacation time off because of orders of his appoint-

ing authority; otherwise the employee shall automatically forfeit the excess.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 17, 1975.)

*Edited accordingly.