
By Mr. Davoren of Milford, petition of the Massachusetts State Employees Association for regulating the payment of compensation to state employees injured in the service of the Commonwealth. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Five.

AN ACT REGULATING THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO STATE EMPLOYEES INJURED IN THE SERVICE OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding any provision of general or special
2 laws to the contrary, employees of the commonwealth
3 eligible to workmen's compensation, as provided by chap-
4 ter one hundred and fifty-two of the General Laws,
5 Tercentenary Edition, sustaining injuries while in the
6 employ of the commonwealth, who have sufficient sick
7 leave credits accrued shall be granted leave of absence
8 with pay for each working day they are absent from their
9 duties because of such injuries until they return to work
10 or until the case has been approved by the industrial
11 accident board.

12 Workmen's compensation for such period must be re-
13 funded to the state treasurer or spending agency of the
14 commonwealth. The payment by the industrial acci-
15 dent board for such period will constitute the total refund,
16 and the employee shall be credited with the proportionate
17 part of sick leave credits represented by the workmen's
18 compensation paid by the industrial accident board.

19 If the industrial accident board refuses to accept juris-
20 diction over the case the employee shall not be granted

21 leave with pay in excess of his accumulated sick leave
22 credits or vacation leave.

23 Notwithstanding the above provisions of this act, how-
24 ever, an employee, while in the performance of duty, who
25 receives bodily injuries resulting from acts of violence of
26 patients or prisoners in his custody, and who as a result of
27 such injury would be entitled to benefits under chapter one
28 hundred and fifty-two of the General Laws, shall be paid
29 the difference between the weekly cash benefits to which
30 he would be entitled under said chapter one hundred and
31 fifty-two and his regular salary, without such absence
32 being charged against available sick leave credits, even
33 if such absence may be for less than eight calendar days'
34 duration.