

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 213

BY SENATOR JENKINS

SCHOOLS. Provides sick leave for school employees under certain circumstances. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:1206.1(B), relative to sick leave for certain school employees  
3 that are disabled; to provide for a period of time to be on sick leave; to provide for  
4 continuous pay and accrual of sick leave; to provide for proof of the disability; and  
5 to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:1206.1(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1206.1. School employees; sick leave

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10 B. An employee of the parish or city school boards of this state, as the word  
11 "employee" is defined in R.S. 17:1205, who is disabled, as defined in R.S.  
12 17:1200(C), while acting in his official capacity as a result of physical contact with  
13 a student while providing physical assistance to a student to prevent danger or risk  
14 of injury to the student, shall receive sick leave for a period up to ~~ninety days~~ one  
15 year without reduction in pay and without reduction in accrued sick leave days while  
16 disabled as a result of rendering such assistance. Such employee shall be required to  
17 present a certificate from a physician certifying the disability. Nothing in this Section

1 shall prohibit a city or parish school board from extending this period beyond ~~ninety~~  
 2 ~~days~~ **one year**.

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4 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 5 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 6 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 7 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 8 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

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#### DIGEST

SB 213 Engrossed

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Present law provides that an employee of the parish or city school boards of this state, who is disabled while acting in his official capacity as a result of physical contact with a student while providing physical assistance to a student to prevent danger or risk of injury to the student, shall receive sick leave for a period up to 90 days without reduction in pay and without reduction in accrued sick leave days while disabled as a result of rendering such assistance.

Present law requires an employee to present a certificate from a physician certifying the disability. Present law further allows a city or parish school board to extend the sick leave period beyond 90 days.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the sick leave period from 90 days to one year.

Proposed law defines disabled pursuant to R.S. 17:1200(C).

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:1206.1(B))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. References R.S. 17:1200(C) which defines disabled.