

6578-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Berkey, Schmidt, Keiser, Murray, Shin, Oke, Rasmussen and Benton)

Brief Description: Authorizing extended military leave for certain public employees. Revised for 2nd Substitute: Authorizing military leave for public employees.

SB 6578-S2 - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that public employees who are members of the Washington national guard or of the army, navy, air force, coast guard, or marine corps reserve of the United States, or of any organized reserve or armed forces of the United States are entitled to and shall be granted military leave of absence from their employment as follows: (1) Every officer and employee of the state or of any county, city, or other political subdivision thereof is entitled to military leave for a period not exceeding fifteen days during each year beginning October 1st and ending the following September 30th. This military leave of absence is in addition to any vacation or sick leave to which the officer or employee might otherwise be entitled, and shall not involve any loss of efficiency rating, privileges, or pay. During the period of military leave, the officer or employee shall receive from the state, or the county, city, or other political subdivision, his or her normal pay.

(2) Every officer and employee of the state, excepting only temporary employees and employees of school districts and educational service districts, who is mobilized under Title 10 or 32 of the United States Code for a period exceeding thirty days, is entitled to and shall be granted, in addition to the military leave of absence provided in this act, military leave of absence from their employment for a period not exceeding two years. This leave shall be granted in order that the person may report for active duty. This military leave of absence is in addition to any vacation or sick leave to which the officer or employee might otherwise be entitled, and shall not involve any loss of efficiency rating or privileges. During the period of military leave, if the combined military pay and allowances of the officer or employee are less than his or her normal pay from the state, then he or she shall receive as compensation from the employing agency one-half of the difference.