

CHAPTER 195.

[ Sub. H. B. 135. ]

TEACHERS LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

AN ACT relating to education; teachers cumulative leave of absence.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Teachers' sick leave authorized—Accumulative.

SECTION 1. Every person under contract for a full school year with a school district in a position requiring certification qualification shall be entitled to ten days annual leave of absence for illness or injury. Sick leave not taken shall be accumulated from year to year up to a maximum of one hundred eighty days.

A certified employee, under contract as a part-time employee, shall be entitled to that proportion of ten days leave of absence for illness or injury as the total number of days contracted bears to one hundred and eighty days. Pay for any period of absence shall be the same as the pay the employee would have received by contract for such period of absence.

The contracted sick leave for any school year plus any sick leave previously accumulated may be taken at any time during the school year.

The board of directors of each school district shall adopt rules and regulations requiring and prescribing the manner of proof of illness or injury for the purposes of this section: *Provided*, A grant of sick leave in excess of five consecutive days must be verified by written statement from a physician.

Passed the House March 10, 1959.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1959.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1959.