

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved May 4, 1943.

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CHAPTER 987.

(House Bill 578)

AN ACT to add a new sub-section to Section 22 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Merit System", as said section was amended by Chapter 866 of the Acts of 1941, said new sub-section to be known as Sub-section (c) and to follow immediately after Sub-section (b) of said section, relating to the extension of leave, with pay, of certain employees under certain conditions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new sub-section be and it is hereby added to Section 22 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Merit System", as said section was amended by Chapter 866 of the Acts of 1941, said new sub-section to be known as Sub-section (c), to follow immediately after Sub-section (b) of said section, and to read as follows:

22. (c) In case any employee who has been continuously in the State service for not less than ten years shall suffer an illness or injury which would result in his absence from duty for a period of time exceeding that provided in Sub-section (a) with pay, such employee may, with the approval of the head of the department or agency of the State in which he is employed, appeal to the Board of Public Works for an extension of leave with pay; and the said Board, after being satisfied as to the merits of the case, may authorize an extension of leave with pay, provided that such extension of time shall not exceed one year, including the leave allowed under Sub-section (a).

Approved May 6, 1943.

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CHAPTER 988.

(House Bill 585)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 19, 20 and 21 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title "General Duties of Clerks", and Section