

ACT 148

S. B. NO. 385

A Bill for an Act Relating to Retirement Credits for Employees who Received Workmen's Compensation Benefits.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to allow an employee who received workmen's compensation benefits, prior to the effective date of section 79-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to purchase retirement credits for periods of absence from work because of injuries incurred within the scope of his employment. Since July 1, 1967, an employee receiving workmen's compensation benefits continues to earn retirement credits as though he were not absent but performing duties of his regular employment.

SECTION 2. Chapter 88, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"Sec. 88- Membership service credit for employees who received workmen's compensation benefits. A member who had been absent from work because of injuries incurred within the scope of his employment and who had received workmen's compensation benefits prior to July 1, 1967, may purchase full membership service credit in the system for such periods of absence in accordance with section 88-59."

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 28, 1971.)