

ACT 123

H.B. NO. 562

A Bill for an Act Relating to Worker's Compensation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 79-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"Sec. 79-16 Credits for employees receiving worker's compensation benefits.** Where an employee or officer in the service of the State or of the several counties is absent from work because of injuries incurred within the scope of his employment and the employee or officer is receiving worker's compensation benefits, the employee or officer shall continue to earn vacation, sick leave, and retirement credits as though he were not absent but performing duties of his regular employment. Section 386-57 or any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the employee or officer may elect to have deducted from his worker's compensation benefits checks an amount calculated in the same manner as if he were not absent but performing duties of his regular employment to be used as his contribution to the retirement system."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the underscoring.\*

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

(Approved May 31, 1977.)

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\*Edited accordingly.