

22. (a) From and after January 1, 1941, every classified employee shall receive as vacation in each calendar year a leave of absence with pay for fifteen working days, but any employee using less than the full vacation leave allowable beginning January 1, 1942, shall be entitled to have such unused leave accumulated up to thirty working days, which shall be available to such employee for vacation leave at any time, with the approval of the head of the department. In addition to such annual vacation leave, any employee shall be entitled to sick leave with pay for not in excess of thirty working days in any calendar year; provided, however, that if any employee in any calendar year uses less than the full amount of sick leave allowable, such unused leave shall be accumulated up to one hundred working days and shall be available to such employee for sick leave at any time. Any employee using three or more consecutive days sick leave in any thirty day period shall present a certificate from a duly licensed physician before receiving any pay for the period of such absence.

(b) The Commissioner may by rule provide for granting leaves of absence for longer periods with pay or with part pay to employees who may be disabled either through injury or illness as a result of, or arising from their respective employment; and shall make such rules as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(c) The head of any department shall have authority to compensate at the regular rate of pay any employee for any days of extra service rendered by reason of any vacation or weekly leave which he may waive, beginning January 1, 1942, when funds are available for making such payments.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 783.

(Senate Bill 316)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 78B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Racing