known as Sub-section (f) and to follow immediately after Sub-section (e) of said Section 37, to read as follows:

- 37. Vacation and sick leave.
- (a) Amount of vacation and sick leave allowable. From and after January 1, 1959, 1957, every classified employee shall receive as ANNUAL vacation in each calender CALENDAR year, a leave of absence with pay as follows:

LESS THAN ONE YEAR OF SERVICE—5 WORKING DAYS ONE TO LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE—10 WORKING DAYS

LESS THAN 5 YEARS OF SERVICE 10 WORKING DAYS

5 to less than 25 years of service—15 working days 25 years of service and more—20 working days,

provided, however, that every classified State employee on January 1, 1957, who as of that date shall have less than five (5) years of service shall be entitled to receive, as vacation in each calendar year until his period of service reaches 25 years, a leave of absence with pay of fifteen (15) working days. The term "years of service", as used herein shall include any previous continuous State service in excess of one year as an unclassified employee.

Any employee using less than 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.

Such annual vacation leave credits shall accrue to the employee after his first six months of State service, on a pro rata basis, and shall be available to him for such purpose at any time thereafter, with the approval of the head of the department. Sick leave credits shall accrue from the beginning of the employee's State service, on a pro-rata basis, and shall be available to him for such purpose as earned, providing that whenever the employee must be absent from work because of a death in his immediate family, such absence may be charged against either earned annual vacation or earned sick leave, at the option of the employee. Any leave other than sick leave, whether voluntary or involuntary, shall be charged against any accrued annual vacation leave, and the employee shall be paid for such leave to the extent it has been earned.

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.