

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act [[is hereby declared to be an emergency measure 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]] shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved May 15, 1975.

CHAPTER 829

(House Bill 1635)

AN ACT concerning

Firefighters - Sick Leave

FOR the purpose of prohibiting leave, used as a result of an "on the job injury", to be charged to a firefighter's accrued sick leave for the first 12 months following such an injury.

BY adding to

Article 64A - Merit System
Section 37(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 37(g) be and it is hereby added to Article 64A - Merit System, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 64A - Merit System

37.

(G) LEAVE USED BY A FIREFIGHTER AS A RESULT OF AN "ON THE JOB" INJURY SUSTAINED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTY SHALL NOT BE CHARGED TO THE EMPLOYEE'S ACCRUED SICK LEAVE FOR THE FIRST 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING SUCH AN INJURY, PROVIDED THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL SHALL DETERMINE IF THE INJURY FOR WHICH THE LEAVE WAS TAKEN BY THE EMPLOYEE IS AN INJURY WHICH OCCURRED IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE