

UNTIL THE POLICE EMPLOYEE IS RETURNED TO DUTY OR IS RETIRED BECAUSE OF THE INJURY OR ILLNESS FROM WHICH THE DISABILITY RESULTED.

(2) HOWEVER, THE WORK-RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE MAY NOT:

(I) EXCEED 2 YEARS; AND

(II) EXTEND BEYOND THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE OF THE INJURY OR ILLNESS.

(C) PAYMENT RATE; EFFECT ON OTHER BENEFITS.

(1) PAYMENT TO A POLICE EMPLOYEE ON WORK-RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE IS BASED ON TWO-THIRDS OF THE POLICE EMPLOYEE'S REGULAR PAY.

(2) PAYMENT FOR WORK-RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE IS A SEPARATE BENEFIT ON ACCOUNT OF ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY AND IS NOT A CONTINUATION OF SALARY.

(3) NOTWITHSTANDING THE REDUCED RATE AT WHICH A POLICE EMPLOYEE IS PAID WHILE ON WORK-RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE, THE POLICE EMPLOYEE:

(I) CONTINUES SENIORITY AND LEAVE ACCRUALS BASED ON THE POLICE EMPLOYEE'S REGULAR PAY; AND

(II) DOES NOT LOSE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS WITH THE SUBSIDY ALLOWED IN TITLE 2, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE STATE PERSONNEL AND PENSIONS ARTICLE SOLELY BECAUSE THE POLICE EMPLOYEE IS ON WORK-RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE.

(4) A POLICE EMPLOYEE MAY NOT RECEIVE TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS UNDER THE MARYLAND WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT WHILE THE POLICE EMPLOYEE IS RECEIVING PAYMENT UNDER THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88B, § 23A.

Throughout this section, the defined term "police employee" is substituted for the former references to "law-enforcement officer[s]", "State Police officer", and "officer" for consistency with terminology used throughout this subtitle and this title.

In subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "in the Department" is deleted as implicit.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the reference to "the injury or illness from which the disability resulted" is substituted for the former reference to "those injuries" for clarity and consistency throughout this section.

Defined terms: "Police employee" § 2-101

"Secretary" § 2-101