

HOUSE BILL No. 1528

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 22-2-17.

Synopsis: Personal leave for employees. Provides that certain employees of certain employers are entitled to take: (1) 24 hours of paid leave; and (2) 16 hours of unpaid leave; in a 12 month period.

Effective: July 1, 2017.

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First Regular Session of the 120th General Assembly (2017)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 22-2-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2017]:

4 **Chapter 17. Employee Personal Leave**

5 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies after June 30, 2017.**

6 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commissioner" refers to the**
7 **commissioner of labor appointed under IC 22-1-1-2.**

8 **Sec. 3. (a) As used in this chapter, "employee" means an**
9 **individual who:**

10 (1) has been employed at least six (6) months by an employer
11 from whom the employee has requested leave under this
12 chapter; and

13 (2) has worked an average number of hours per week equal to
14 at least eighty percent (80%) of a full-time equivalent
15 position.

16 (b) The term does not include an independent contractor (as
17 described in IC 22-3-6-1(b)(7) or IC 22-3-7-9(b)(5)).



1 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "employer" means the state or:**

- 2 **(1) an individual;**
 3 **(2) a partnership;**
 4 **(3) an association;**
 5 **(4) a limited liability company;**
 6 **(5) a corporation;**
 7 **(6) a business trust;**
 8 **(7) a municipal corporation (as defined in IC 36-1-2-10); or**
 9 **(8) a nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income**
 10 **taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue**
 11 **Code;**

12 **that employs at least ten (10) employees for each working day**
 13 **during each of twenty (20) or more calendar weeks in the current**
 14 **or preceding calendar year.**

15 **Sec. 5. (a) An employee is entitled to take twenty-four (24) hours**
 16 **of paid leave in any twelve (12) month period.**

17 **(b) A leave described in subsection (a) is subject to the following**
 18 **conditions:**

19 **(1) The employer may require an employee to submit a**
 20 **written request to the employer for the leave at least seven (7)**
 21 **days before the time desired for the leave if the need for the**
 22 **leave is reasonably foreseeable. If the need for the leave is not**
 23 **reasonably foreseeable, the employee shall give as much**
 24 **notice as is practicable.**

25 **(2) Leave may not be taken in increments of less than four (4)**
 26 **hours.**

27 **Sec. 6. (a) In addition to the paid leave allowed by section 5 of**
 28 **this chapter, an employee is entitled to take sixteen (16) hours of**
 29 **unpaid leave in any twelve (12) month period.**

30 **(b) A leave described in subsection (a) is subject to the following**
 31 **conditions:**

32 **(1) The employer may require an employee to submit a**
 33 **written request for the leave at least seven (7) days before the**
 34 **time desired for the leave if the need for the leave is**
 35 **reasonably foreseeable. If the need for the leave is not**
 36 **reasonably foreseeable, the employee shall give as much**
 37 **notice as is practicable.**

38 **(2) Leave may not be taken in increments of less than one (1)**
 39 **hour.**

40 **Sec. 7. A notice in a form approved by the commissioner setting**
 41 **forth the rights of employees under this chapter must be**
 42 **conspicuously and continuously posted by the employer in an area**



1 in which employees are routinely employed.
2 Sec. 8. The commissioner may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to
3 implement this chapter.
4 Sec. 9. The commissioner shall enforce this chapter.
5 Sec. 10. The commissioner may issue any reasonable order to
6 remedy a violation of this chapter.
7 Sec. 11. (a) This chapter does not prohibit an employee from
8 taking a leave granted under any other law.
9 (b) This chapter does not prohibit an employer from providing
10 leave in addition to the leave required by this chapter.

