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## CHAPTER 377.

AN ACT to create 16.274 of the statutes, relating to granting leaves of absence without loss of seniority or civil service status to employes in the classified service appointed to positions in the unclassified service.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

16.274 of the statutes is created to read:

16.274 Leave of absence and salary while serving in unclassified position. A permanent employe in the classified service appointed to a position in the unclassified service shall be granted a leave of absence without pay from his former position in the classified service for the period of his service in such unclassified position and for one year thereafter, during which time he shall be entitled to return to such former position or to one with equivalent responsibility and pay in the classified service without loss of seniority or civil service status. Any permanent employe receiving a greater salary in the classified service than that provided for a position in the unclassified service to which he is appointed shall be entitled to the same salary while serving in such position as he was receiving in the classified service at the time of such appointment. This section shall supersede any provision of law in conflict therewith.

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