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AN ACT to create 63.065 of the statutes, relating to rights of civil service employes in populous counties who are elected to county or state office.

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

63.065 of the statutes is created to read:

63.065 ELECTED COUNTY OR STATE OFFICERS. A permanent employe in the classified service of any such county having a population of 500,000 or more, who is elected to a county or state office shall be granted a leave of absence without pay from his position for the period of his entire service as an elected county or state officer and thereafter 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. At the discretion of the civil service commission, any elected state officer, while on leave of absence, may also be permitted to return to his former position or to one with equivalent responsibility and pay in the classified service for such periods of time as may be set by said commission. This section shall not apply to any department head in the classified service whenever the commission has established a list of department heads or employes of any department of public welfare which functions under the authority of s. 49.51 (2).

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