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ect: Extension of Military Leave Benefits for an Additional Two Years by Executive Order #156

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The purpose of this bulletin is to inform agencies of Executive Order #156, signed by Governor Jim Doyle on May 31, 2006, extending the military leave and pay benefits provided by statute, labor agreement, and Executive Order #50. See bulletin OSER-0046-CLR/LR dated August 4, 2004, for details regarding the administration of the pay and benefits provided.

SECTION I. EXTENSION OF MILITARY LEAVE PAY AND BENEFITS

Executive Order #156 extends for two additional years the eligibility to receive the pay and benefits provided under s. 230.315, Wis. Stats., or similar provisions provided by labor agreement, and Executive Order #50, for each employee of the State activated to serve in the U.S. armed forces or the U.S. public health service. With this extension, employees may receive the pay and benefits provided pursuant to s. 230.315, Wis. Stats., for a period of up to four years, for military service on or after January 1, 2003.

This extension is made under the authority granted to the governor pursuant to s. 230.315 (3) (b), as revised by 2005 Wisconsin Act 469, effective May 31, 2006.

SECTION II. APPLICABILITY TO REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

The extension of military leave pay and benefits by Executive Order #156 applies to both represented and non-represented state employees. However, for represented employees, this extension expires the day before the effective date of a 2007-09 labor agreement, unless provided in the new labor agreement.

SECTION III. REFERRAL OF QUESTIONS

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