

**§13604. Leaves of absence**

**1. Leaves of absence granted by school board.** To increase the efficiency of the public schools and to permit teachers, principals or other persons to pursue a further course of study or to travel to be better qualified by education and culture for the position they hold in the schools, a school board may grant a leave of absence to any teacher, principal or other person regularly employed by the school board.

[PL 1989, c. 901, §1 (NEW); PL 1989, c. 901, §2 (AFF).]

**2. Maximum length; years of service.** A leave of absence may not exceed one year and may be granted only after 7 years of service.

[PL 1989, c. 901, §1 (NEW); PL 1989, c. 901, §2 (AFF).]

**3. Other terms and conditions.** All other terms and conditions of a leave of absence, including, but not limited to, compensation during a leave of absence, may be determined by a collective bargaining agreement negotiated under Title 26, chapter 9-A. In the absence of or to the extent not inconsistent with any applicable collective bargaining agreement, the school board may establish these terms and conditions.

[PL 1989, c. 901, §1 (NEW); PL 1989, c. 901, §2 (AFF).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1981, c. 693, §§5,8 (NEW). PL 1989, c. 901, §§1,2 (RPR).

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