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## IN SENATE

May 1, 2014

Introduced by Sen. HANNON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to directing the granting of excused leave to public officers and public employees to undertake cancer screenings; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 159-b of the civil service law, as amended by chapter 566 of the laws of 2006, subdivisions 1 and 2 as amended by chapter 391 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

3 Excused leave to undertake a screening for [breast] cancer. 5 Every public officer, employee of this state, employee of any county, employee of any community college, employee of any public authority, 7 employee of any public benefit corporation, employee of any board of 8 cooperative educational services (BOCES), employee of any vocational 9 education and extension board, or a school district enumerated in section one of chapter five hundred sixty-six of the laws of 10 hundred sixty-seven, employee of any municipality, employee of any 11 12 school district or any employee of a participating employer in the New 13 York state and local employees' retirement system or any employee of a participating employer in the New York state teachers' retirement system 14 shall be entitled to absent himself or herself and shall be deemed to 15 have a paid leave of absence from his or her duties or service as such 16 17 public officer or employee of this state, employee of any county, 18 employee of any community college, employee of any public authority, employee of any public benefit corporation, employee of any board of 19 20 cooperative educational services (BOCES), employee of any vocational education and extension board, or a school district enumerated in 21 section one of chapter five hundred sixty-six of the laws of nineteen 22 23 hundred sixty-seven, employee of any municipality, employee of 24 school district, or any employee of a participating employer in the New 25 York state and local employees' retirement system or any employee of a participating employer in the New York state teachers' retirement system

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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for a sufficient period of time, not to exceed four hours PER CANCER SCREENING TYPE, OR THE CUMULATIVE EQUIVALENT OF TWO FULL-TIME DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LESS on an annual basis, to undertake a screening for [breast] cancer.

- 2. The entire period of the leave of absence granted pursuant to this section shall be excused leave and shall not be charged against any other leave such public officer, employee of this state, employee of any county, employee of any community college, employee of any public authority, employee of any public benefit corporation, employee of any board of cooperative educational services (BOCES), employee of any vocational education and extension board, or a school district enumerated in section one of chapter five hundred sixty-six of the laws of nineteen hundred sixty-seven, employee of any municipality, employee of any school district or any employee of a participating employer in the New York state and local employees' retirement system or any employee of a participating employer in the New York state teachers' retirement system is otherwise entitled to. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT AN EMPLOYER MAY RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REQUIRE THAT ALL EMPLOYEES PROVIDE A WRITTEN REFERRAL FROM A PHYSICIAN OR OTHER DULY AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.
- 20 [3. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any employee of 21 a city having a population of one million or more.]
  - S 2. Section 159-c of the civil service law is REPEALED.
- 23 S 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 24 have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the 25 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary 26 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized 27 and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.