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71-1-1 ... Municipal Fire and Police Civil service
R.S. 33:2218.4

State Supplemental Pay is included in computation of sick leave benefits.

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Dear Mr. Peeler:

You requested an opinion from this office concerning supplemental pay for police employees when the employee is disabled.

LSA-R.S. 33:2218.4 governs disbursement of state supplemental pay for police officers. It provides:

Sec. 2218.4 Disbursement of funds

A. The funds appropriated and dedicated as herein provided shall be disbursed upon warrants drawn by the mayors of the respective municipalities coming under the provisions of this Sub-part, which warrants shall have attached to them a detailed list of the names of the officers for whose benefit any particular warrant is drawn, together with the completed years of service of such officers and such other information as the Director of the State Department of Public Safety may require.

D. The additional compensation paid by the state to municipal police officers as herein provided shall be included in the calculation and computation of the total wages paid to the municipal police officer in the determination of employer contributions to any retirement system or pension fund of which the police officer may be a member as well as in the determination of retirement eligibility and benefits which may accrue to the police officer under any retirement system or pension fund, as well as in the determination of any other employee benefits, sick leave, or disability pay to which the police officer might be entitled. Acts 1956, No. 323, Sec. 4, as amended Acts 1959, No. 49, Sec. 1.

This article provides that supplemental pay is to be included in the computation of various employee benefits including sick leave.

It follows that if the supplemental pay is to be included in employee sick

leave, the supplemental pay should not be stopped when the employee is receiving his salary while on sick leave.

If this office can be of any assistance in the future, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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