



UNION PROPOSAL
Bargaining Unit: Unit 17
July 16, 2008

Article and Section No: 9.19.17

Proposal No.: 2

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The Union proposes that ~~no changes~~ be made to the following section:

9.19.17 Light/Limited Duty Assignments (Unit 17)

A. Where the need is substantiated by a physician, the State will attempt to provide light/limited duty assignments for up to sixty (60) days: 1) in accordance with a physician's recommended instructions; 2) where and when services are needed; 3) to the extent it does not inconvenience other employees; 4) to the extent the employee can satisfactorily perform the work; and 5) where there is a prognosis for improvement. At the option of the State, the assignment may be extended beyond sixty (60) days. It is the intent of the parties that the limited duty assignments be of the minimum necessary durations and that the maximum limited duty assignment of sixty (60) days, and any extensions, be utilized for the most severe illnesses or injuries.

B. The State may make alternative assignments, retrain employees, or as provided under the Government Code, medically terminate an employee whose prognosis for continued employment is poor.

C. The State reserves the right to have an employee examined by a physician of its choosing prior to granting, continuing or extending a light/limited duty assignment.

D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to contravene the (SPB)'s constitutional and/or statutory authority to determine the appropriate

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classification of assigned duties, to require reasonable accommodation of an employee or applicant with a disability, or to determine the ability of an applicant or employee to perform the essential functions of a classification or job. Complaints under this section alleging out-of-class work, denial of reasonable accommodation, discrimination based on disability, or inappropriate medical demotion, transfer or termination shall not be grievable under the grievance procedure contained in article 6 (Grievance and Arbitration Procedures) of this Contract.

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