



Legislation Text

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Police Officer Mark Cormany was injured in an on-duty accident on June 12, 2014. He was bitten by a dog on his right forearm while executing a search warrant. Two days later, the arm became infected and he was given a course of antibiotics and then developed a secondary infection. Subsequently, he was diagnosed with ulcerative colitis as a direct result of the administration of the antibiotics because of the arm infection. Police Officer Cormany underwent treatment and surgeries for the colitis over a period of 16 months. He has exhausted his initial injury leave and a subsequent injury leave extension as provided in Article 30 of the collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), Capital City Lodge No. 9.

Police Officer Mark Cormany requested an extension of injury leave through the Board of Industrial Relations as provided in Rule 5 of the Rules of the Board of Industrial Relations. At the June 20, 2016 Industrial Relations Board meeting, and at the recommendation of the Police Chief and Director of Public Safety, the Board voted to recommend to City Council the approval of an extension of injury leave for Officer Cormany.

To grant an extension of injury leave for Police Officer Mark Cormany for the period September 6, 2015 to October 20, 2015, as recommended by the Board of Industrial Relations; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, Police Officer Mark Cormany was injured on June 12, 2014, and had complications from his injuries requiring him to exhaust injury leave and a subsequent extension as provided in Article 30 of the collective bargaining agreement between the City and FOP, Capital City Lodge No. 9; and

WHEREAS, Police Officer Mark Cormany required additional care and the Police Chief and Public Safety Director requested an additional extension of injury leave from September 6, 2015 to October 20, 2015, through the Board of Industrial Relations pursuant to Rule 5 of the Rules of the Board of Industrial Relations.

WHEREAS, the Board of Industrial Relations reviewed the request at its meeting on June 20, 2016 and voted unanimously to recommend to City Council the approval of an extension of injury leave for Police Officer Mark Cormany, in accordance with Rule 5 of the Industrial Relations Board Rules; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to grant an extension of injury leave to Police Officer Mark Cormany was recommended by the Industrial Relations Board, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, Therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That City Council hereby approves the recommendation of the Industrial Relations Board to provide an extension of injury leave for Police Officer Mark Cormany, Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, from September 6 to October 20, 2015.

Section 2. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure which shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten (10) days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.