Civil Service Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme

General Council Report 1392


That the terms of Finance Circular 37/2000 be amended to provide that any 3 consecutive months may be taken as the period of leave for Term Time.

1. It was agreed that the commencement of the Carer's Leave Act on 2 July 2001 would address the concerns of the Staff Side.

   Carer's Leave allows time off for the purpose of personally providing full-time care to someone who is assessed by the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs as being in need of full-time care and attention.

   An employee is entitled to a maximum of 65 weeks in respect of any one relevant person. The 65-week entitlement may be taken as a continuous period, or in separate unit periods, the aggregate duration of which cannot exceed 65 weeks. [The minimum unit period is 13 weeks.]

   The Department of Finance will issue a circular to Departments in the near future outlining the main provisions of the Carer's Leave Act.

2. This report records such agreement.

3. This report was adopted on 31 October 2001.

Recording Agreement.

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