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Hon. William A. Runnells State Controller Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Runnells:

In response to your recent oral inquiry relative to the payment of wages or salary to a state employee who, by reason of holding some office or position cannot fully perform the duties incident to his employment, I am pleased to suggest that the wages or salary of such employee may be reduced in proportion to the time lost.

In other words, the wages or salary to which the employee is entitled may properly be based on the time actually expended in the performance of the duties of his employment.

> Very truly yours, Sanford L. Fogg Deputy Attorney General

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