

**602.11103 Life, health, and disability insurance.**

1. Persons who were covered by county employee life insurance and accident and health insurance plans prior to becoming state employees as a result of [this chapter](#) shall be permitted to apply prior to becoming state employees for life insurance and health and accident insurance plans that are available to state employees so that those persons do not suffer a lapse of insurance coverage as a result of [this chapter](#). The supreme court, after consulting with the state comptroller, shall prescribe rules and distribute application forms and take other actions as necessary to enable those persons to elect to have insurance coverage that is in effect on the date of becoming state employees. The actual insurance coverage available to a person shall be determined by the plans that are available to state employees, irrespective of any greater or lesser benefits as a county or judicial district employee.

2. Commencing on the date of becoming a state employee, each person referred to in [this section](#) is entitled to claim the person's most recent continuous period of service in full-time county or judicial district employment as full-time state employment for purposes of determining disability benefits as provided in [section 70A.20](#) according to rules in effect for state employees of comparable longevity, irrespective of any greater or lesser benefit as a county or judicial district employee.

[83 Acts, ch 186, §10201, 10303; 85 Acts, ch 197, §33; 2019 Acts, ch 24, §104](#)