

Resolution: Disability Insurance for Part-Time Members

Whereas, adjuncts are among the lowest paid in the University and are often unable to afford to provide their own long-term disability insurance, and

Whereas, adjuncts are not currently eligible to participate in the Welfare Fund Long-Term Disability Insurance program, and

Whereas, current law exempts educational institutions (along with religious and charitable institutions) from providing mandatory disability-insurance coverage for employees, and

Whereas, as a self-insured educational institution, CUNY is not required to provide disability insurance to part-time faculty, and

Whereas, long-term disability coverage was a most frequently voiced need at the 9 March 2001 Adjunct Hearing conducted by New York State Members of the Assembly, Edward Sullivan and Cathy Nolan; therefore be it

Resolved, that the PSC supports the right of adjuncts to long-term disability insurance, and be it further

Resolved, that NYSUT seek legislation to amend Workers' Compensation Law, Article 9, Disability Benefits, to eliminate the exemption of educational institutions from providing mandatory long-term disability coverage to employees.

Passed: Legislation Committee 6/05/01

Passed: Executive Council 6/11/01

Passed: Delegate Assembly 6/14/01