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Current law permits an employee or appointee serving in certain local units of government to take an unpaid leave of absence if that employee or appointee is elected to the legislature or to a full-time city or county office. The employee or appointee has a right to be reinstated to their former position, with some limitations, once their elected service is completed (or upon completion of the last legislative day in each calendar year).

This bill would permit a similar unpaid leave of absence for an employee or appointee, if that person is elected to serve on an Indian tribal council.