



December, 2017 – PFANJ 1st Vice President report

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- The November PFANJ state meeting took place in Atlantic City during the annual League of Municipalities convention. I had the opportunity to attend several sessions during the league conference focusing on many different issues. There were a few sessions that were heavily attended by the public safety community pertaining to pension & benefits, chapter 78 and the 2% arbitration cap. However, there were two sessions in particular that I attended that offered a wealth of information and for some reason were not well attended by the public safety community. The first was called *Legislative Leadership in 2018: Working with a New Administration*, this session featured a panel with Senate President Sweeney, Assembly Speaker-Elect Coughlin, Assembly Minority Leader Bramnick & Senate Minority Leader Kean. The panel of legislative leaders took on a host of hot topics from the moderator as well as from the audience, the first question put to the panel was their position on the 2% arbitration cap, a lengthy debate soon followed. There is no doubt that the 2% arbitration cap and other tenants of Chapter 78 will continue to be hot issues moving into the new legislative session. I also attended the session titled *Urban Mayors: Cities in Economic Transition Under a New Paradigm*. Public employees may have suffered the most under a Chris Christie reign, but there are many urban cities in this state that have suffered from his horrible policies and failed leadership as well. There was a new sense of optimism from the urban mayors that spoke as we move into the new administration, although there is a lot of work to be done, it is somewhat reassuring that the cities, along with the employees who serve them are looking forward to positive change. One of the key points that was reiterated many times was the reinstatement of Urban Enterprise Zones (UEZ) that were dismantled by Christie.
- This year was especially busy at the League of Municipalities due to the recent elections, myself and other members of the PFANJ board attended well over a dozen political events, vendor functions as well as hosting our own PAC event at the Tropicana. The networking opportunities are second to none during the league and it was great to see many of you down there for the week as well. Next year we hope to put together a format where we divide our resources so that the PFANJ is heavily represented both in sessions as well as networking events.
- I have embarked on a new endeavor to interact with as many legislators via their social media outlets. I have attempted to locate and follow as many members of our legislature via Facebook, Instagram and Twitter and I have been pleasantly surprised with the response I have gotten so far. This is just one more avenue for the PFANJ to use, to establish and strengthen new and existing relationships with or legislators.
- Another endeavor that I would like to institute is having some of our legislators as invited guests to speak at our monthly meetings as well as our annual convention.

- The PFANJ legislative issues book is still in the works, the legislative committee has been asked to brainstorm ideas for the project, and we will be looking for a date in the very near future to meet and lay down a draft document. Some of the early feedback I have gotten was to include some less significant issues in the book in addition to our more prominent issues. This is certainly a concept that we will explore so that we can represent our members and the fire service on all levels. Feedback is still needed and welcome.
- The IAFF has issued a press release asking members to contact their Representatives, and encourage them to continue funding for SAFER grants, the press release and link to find your representative can be found on the PFANJ & IAFF website, or follow the link www.house.gov/representative/find-your-representative.
- PFANJ Treasurer Matt Caliente has put together financial reports on this past year's legislative contributions. He has set it up so that we can always have a current record of where our support dollars have been spent based on several criteria such as, but not limited to political candidate, legislative district, political party as well as which house of the legislature. These reports will be a valuable tool to refer back to when we meet with legislators and seek their support, as well as giving us the ability to see where we may need to move or reallocate resources.
- The US Senate passed the Republican-backed tax bill along party lines. The Senate passed a contentious overhaul of the tax code earlier this weekend, moving one step closer to sending the bill to President Donald Trump's desk for his signature. The bill passed 51-49 along party lines with just one Republican, Sen. Bob Corker of Tennessee, voting against it. The legislation would bring the first overhaul of the U.S. tax code in 31 years. It would slash the corporate tax rate, offer more modest cuts for families and individuals, and eliminate several popular deductions. The bill passed by Senate Republicans seeks to end the entire federal deduction for state and local taxes, this would be a significant hit to all New Jersey residents. The Senate bill goes further than the House bill which will keep the property tax deduction up to \$10,000. Both bills increase the standard deduction to \$24,000, however the \$4050 personal exemption will be gone, which would nullify that increase for a family of three or more. The House bill passed two weeks ago, however Tom MacArthur from CD3 was the only member from New Jersey to support the bill.
- Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlon sent a letter to Speaker Vincent Prieto on 12/1/17 urging him to allow a vote permanently extending the interest arbitration cap for public workers' salaries, (Assembly bill A2123). The letter asked the Speaker to reconsider placing A2123 on the State and Local Government Committee agenda for Monday Dec. 4.
- Legislative activity has resumed in Trenton following the recent elections, several bills being tracked by the PFANJ went before various legislative committees, and some have been reported out of committees in both houses, as well as passed in the Assembly. Attached to this report is a legislative schedule as of 12/10/17 as well as a list of PFANJ tracked bills that have seen activity or movement in the lame duck session. Legislation and schedules can be followed on the NJ Legislature website. www.njleg.state.nj.us

All Scheduled Meetings as of December 10, 2017

Monday, December 11, 2017

- Senate Education Committee, Not Meeting.
- Senate Judiciary Committee, Not Meeting.
- *CANCELLED* Assembly Judiciary Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.
Joint meeting with the Senate Legislative Oversight Committee to receive testimony from New Jersey Transit Executive Director Steven Santoro and other invited guests regarding various issues concerning New Jersey Transit, including budgetary matters impacting the upcoming fiscal year, as well as the ongoing work at New York Penn Station.
- Senate, 10:00a Group 3 Committees; 12:00p Quorum Call; 1:00p Group 4 Committees.
- Senate Environment and Energy Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 6, Annex. (Revised 12/08/2017)
For discussion only: S-3470 S-3471.
- Senate Higher Education Committee, 10:00a, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 7, Annex.
- *CANCELLED* Senate Legislative Oversight Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.
Joint meeting with the Assembly Judiciary Committee to receive testimony from New Jersey Transit Executive Director Steven Santoro and other invited guests regarding various issues concerning New Jersey Transit, including budgetary matters impacting the upcoming fiscal year, as well as the ongoing work at NY Penn Station.
- Senate Economic Growth Committee, 10:30a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 1, Annex.
- Senate Law and Public Safety Committee, 10:30a, 3rd Floor, Committee Room 10, Annex. (Revised 12/06/2017)
- Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee, 1:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 1, Annex. (Revised 12/08/2017) **Bills: S438 [added] - PFANJ tracked bill – Support**
- Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee, 1:00p, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 7, Annex. (Revised 12/08/2017) **Bills: S3487 PFANJ tracked bill - Support**

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

- Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee, 11:00a, Bergen Performing Arts Center, 30 North Van Brunt Street, Englewood, NJ. The committee will take testimony from invited guests concerning the high rate of railroad crossing collisions in Bergen County, New Jersey and possible means to prevent these collisions in the future.

Thursday, December 14, 2017

- Senate, 10:00a Committees at Call of the Senate President; 12:00p Quorum Call.
- Assembly, 11:00a Quorum Call.
- Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee, 1:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.
- Senate Commerce Committee, 1:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 6, Annex.
- Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee, 1:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 1, Annex.
Bills: A4467, S3083 – **PFANJ tracked bills - Support**

Monday, December 18, 2017

- Assembly, Committees at the Call of the Speaker; Quorum.
- Senate, 2:00p Voting Session; Board List to be announced.

Thursday, January 4, 2018

- Assembly, Voting Session; Time and Board List to be announced.
- Senate, 10:00a Committees at Call of Senate President; 12:00p Quorum Call.

Monday, January 8, 2018

- Assembly, Voting Session (Sine Die); Time and Board List to be announced.
- Senate, 2:00p Voting Session; Board List to be announced.

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

- Assembly, Organization of the 218th Legislature; State of the State Address.
- Senate, 12:00p Reorganization; 3:00p State of the State Address.

Tracked bills that have seen activity or movement in the Lame Duck Session

Professional Firefighters Association of NJ (2016-2017)

Bill: A96 AcaAa (2R)

Sponsors: Prieto (D32); Eustace (D38); Lagana (D38); Jimenez (D32); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Wisniewski (D19)

Summary: Amends State construction code to increase fire safety in large residential projects.

Subjects: Housing-Construction Codes; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2016:S3284

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/07/2017 - 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 03/16/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.

11/30/2017 - Transferred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/07/2017 - Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Johnson).

Position: Support

Bill: A97

Sponsors: Prieto (D32); Eustace (D38); Lagana (D38); Jimenez (D32); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Wisniewski (D19)

Summary: Amends State construction code to increase fire safety at certain construction sites.

Subjects: Housing-Construction Codes; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2016:S3293

Progress: 1st House: Passed

Status: 12/07/2017 - Passed in the Assembly

History: 03/16/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.

11/30/2017 - Transferred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/07/2017 - Passed in Assembly 45-22-6.

Position: Support

Bill: A612

Sponsors: Lagana (D38); Singleton (D7); Moriarty (D4); Sumter (D35); Houghtaling (D11); McKnight (D31); Mukherji (D33) +5

Summary: The "Municipal Volunteer Property Tax Reduction Act"; permits certain municipal property owners to perform volunteer services in return for property tax vouchers.

Subjects: Local Government-Municipalities; Taxation-Property Tax

Related: 2016:S1584; 2014:A4067; 2014:S2524

Progress: 1st House: Passed

Status: 12/07/2017 - Passed in the Assembly

History: 01/27/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

04/04/2016 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/07/2017 - Passed in Assembly 73-0-0.

Position: Support

Bill: A2336 AcaAa (2R)

Sponsors: Benson (D14); Bramnick (R21); Lampitt (D6) +5

Summary: Prohibits health insurance carriers from requiring optometrists to become providers with vision care plans as condition of becoming providers in carriers' panel of providers; prohibits certain practices under vision care provider contracts.

Subjects: Health-Professionals; Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:S3108; 2014:A1035; 2014:S2040; 2012:A3936

Progress: 1st House: Passed

Status: 12/07/2017 - Passed in the Assembly

History: 02/04/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.

06/01/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

06/08/2017 - Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Jones).

12/07/2017 - Passed in Assembly 72-0-0.

Position: Monitor

Bill: A2343 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Benson (D14); Webber (R26); Thomson (R30) +1

Summary: Requires appropriate insurance company to provide coverage to Good Samaritan injured at scene of accident.
Subjects: Civil Actions-Charitable Immunity; Health-Emergency Medical Services
Related: 2016:S2661; 2014:A2403; 2014:S142; 2012:A3771; 2012:S2314
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 02/04/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Support

Bill: A2439 Aa (1R)

Sponsors: Wisniewski (D19); Pinkin (D18); Chiaravalloti (D31); Downey (D11); Houghtaling (D11) +2
Summary: Requires DOT Commissioner to develop public awareness programs and use variable message signs to inform motorists about State's "move over" law.
Subjects: Motor Vehicles-Traffic Safety
Related: 2016:S3360; 2014:A1708; 2014:S402; 2012:A2597; 2012:S1212; 2010:A4262; 2010:S3158
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 02/04/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee.
02/15/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/22/2017 - Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/29/2017 - Passed in Assembly 77-1-0. Received in Senate and referred to Senate Transportation Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: A2513 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: DeAngelo (D14); Pinkin (D18); Andrzejczak (D1); Tucker (D28); Conaway (D7); Land (D1) +5
Summary: Establishes Military and Defense Economic Ombudsman in Department of State.
Subjects: Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:S1999; 2014:A4723; 2014:S3265
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 02/04/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
03/03/2016 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
06/20/2016 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/27/2016 - Passed in Assembly 78-0-0.
06/30/2016 - Received in Senate and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
Position: Support

Bill: A3600

Sponsors: Singleton (D7)
Summary: Codifies donated leave program for State employees in career, senior executive, and unclassified service.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:S1401; 2014:A4539; 2014:S2936
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/07/2017 - Substituted by another bill
History: 04/07/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
05/19/2016 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
12/07/2017 - Substituted by S-1401 (1R).
Position: Support

Bill: A4031 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Vainieri Huttel (D37); Eustace (D38); Quijano (D20) +5
Summary: Creates New Jersey Crude Oil by Rail Safety Task Force.
Subjects: Public Safety; Transportation-Freight Rail
Related: 2016:S2803
Progress: 1st House: Passed
Status: 12/07/2017 - Passed in the Assembly
History: 07/21/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee.
10/13/2016 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
12/07/2017 - Passed in Assembly 64-0-0.
Position: Oppose

Bill: A4136
Sponsors: Howarth (R8); Benson (D14); Danielsen (D17)
Summary: Establishes special license plate for family members of fallen police officers and firefighters.
Subjects: Motor Vehicles-Regulation; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/30/2017 - Assembly Appropriations Committee
History: 09/19/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
11/30/2017 - Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: A4245 AaAa (2R)
Sponsors: Johnson (D37); Houghtaling (D11); Lampitt (D6); Quijano (D20); Downey (D11) +1
Summary: Requires employers to disclose certain wage information to employees.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits
Related: 2016:S2747
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/07/2017 - 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 10/13/2016 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.
02/13/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
02/15/2017 - Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Johnson).
12/07/2017 - Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Johnson).
Position: Support

Bill: A4596
Sponsors: Andrzejczak (D1); Land (D1); Mazzeo (D2); Auth (R39)
Summary: Concerns reimbursement for epinephrine, naloxone, and continuous positive airway pressure administered as an ambulance service.
Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services
Related: 2016:S3003
Progress: 1st House: Passed
Status: 12/07/2017 - Passed in the Assembly
History: 02/15/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
05/11/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
12/07/2017 - Passed in Assembly 67-4-0.
Position: Support

Bill: A4704
Sponsors: Singleton (D7); Schaer (D36) +3
Summary: Requires analyses and reporting of investment performance of pension funds; requires disclosure of fees paid to managers of certain funds in which State invests pension funds.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:S3504
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 03/20/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
06/05/2017 - Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
06/19/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/22/2017 - Passed in Assembly 75-0-0. Received in Senate and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
Position: Support

Bill: A5074 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Quijano (D20); McKnight (D31)

Summary: Directs Division of Fire Safety in Department of Community Affairs to survey fire suppression systems in public and nonpublic school buildings.

Subjects: Education-School Facilities; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2016:S3416

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 12/04/2017 - Assembly Appropriations Committee

History: 06/29/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Education Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support

Bill: A5076

Sponsors: Wisniewski (D19); Bucco (R25); DeCroce, B. (R26)

Summary: Increases membership of fire safety commission in DCA.

Subjects: Commissions; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2016:S3458

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 06/29/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Support

Bill: A5196

Sponsors: DeAngelo (D14)

Summary: Establishes fire safety standards and protocols for certain light frame residential construction; requires placards identifying primary structural systems of buildings.

Subjects: Housing; Housing-Construction Codes

Related: 2016:S3490

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 11/30/2017 - Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

History: 11/30/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.

Position: Support

Bill: A5214

Sponsors: Moriarty (D4)

Summary: Prohibits employees of certain nongovernment organizations from enrolling in State-administered retirement system or health plan of public employer; prohibits PERS and TPAF member on certain leave with nongovernment organization from purchasing pension or

Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers; Public Employees-Benefits

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 12/04/2017 - Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 12/04/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Bill: A5235

Sponsors: DeCroce, B. (R26)

Summary: Provides personal exemption under gross income tax for certain members of volunteer fire departments and first aid squads.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services; Public Safety-Firefighters; Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 12/04/2017 - Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee

History: 12/04/2017 - Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.

Position: Monitor

Bill: A5270

Sponsors: Dancer (R12)

Summary: Prohibits medical providers from reporting certain workers' compensation medical charges to collection and credit reporting agencies.

Subjects: Labor-Workers Compensation

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 12/07/2017 – Assembly Labor Committee

History: 12/07/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.

Position: Monitor

Bill: A5283

Sponsors: Benson (D14)

Summary: Requires new one- and two-family residences to be equipped with fire extinguishers.

Subjects: Housing; Public Safety-Firefighters

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 12/07/2017 – Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

History: 12/07/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.

Position: Monitor

Bill: AJR47

Sponsors: Wisniewski (D19); Pinkin (D18); Coughlin (D19)

Summary: Establishes task force to study and make recommendations concerning stabilization and growth of volunteer first responder community.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services

Related: 2016:SJR23; 2014:AJR114; 2014:SJR94

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness Committee.

12/04/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Monitor

Bill: S1401 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Weinberg (D37); Singleton (D7)

Summary: Codifies donated leave program for State employees in career, senior executive, and unclassified service.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits; State Government-Officers And Employees

Related: 2016:A3600; 2014:A4539; 2014:S2936

Progress: 2nd House: Passed

Status: 12/07/2017 – Passed in the Assembly

History: 02/11/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

03/07/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

03/14/2016 – Passed in Senate 24-10. Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

05/19/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/07/2017 – Substituted for A-3600. Passed in Assembly 72-0-0.

Position: Support

Bill: S1999

Sponsors: Beach (D6); Allen (R7) +1

Summary: Establishes Military and Defense Economic Ombudsman in Department of State.

Subjects: Veterans And Military

Related: 2016:A2513; 2014:A4723; 2014:S3265

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 – 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 04/18/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.

05/05/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

12/04/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Support

Bill: S2747 ScaSa (2R)

Sponsors: Weinberg (D37)

Summary: Requires employers to disclose certain wage information to employees.

Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits

Related: 2016:A4245

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/07/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 11/03/2016 - Introduced and referred to Senate Labor Committee.

11/30/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

12/07/2017 - Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 28-0 (Weinberg).

Position: Support

Bill: S3108 Sca (1R)

Sponsors: Scutari (D22); Cardinale (R39)

Summary: Prohibits health insurance carriers from requiring optometrists to become providers with vision care plans as condition of becoming providers in carriers' panel of providers; prohibits certain practices under vision care provider contracts.

Subjects: Health-Professionals; Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:A2336; 2014:A1035; 2014:S2040; 2012:A3936

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 05/01/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Monitor

Bill: S3295

Sponsors: Van Drew (D1); Cruz-Perez (D5)

Summary: Expands eligibility for property tax reimbursement program.

Subjects: Taxation-Property Tax

Related: 2016:A686; 2014:A3819; 2014:A4816; 2014:S3199

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 - Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 06/12/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support

Bill: S3360 Sca (1R)

Sponsors: Sacco (D32); Cruz-Perez (D5) +1

Summary: Requires DOT Commissioner to develop public awareness programs and use variable message signs to inform motorists about State's "move over" law.

Subjects: Motor Vehicles-Traffic Safety

Related: 2016:A2439; 2014:A1708; 2014:S402; 2012:A2597; 2012:S1212; 2010:A4262; 2010:S3158

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 - Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 06/26/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate Transportation Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support

Bill: S3458

Sponsors: Bucco (R25)

Summary: Increases membership of fire safety commission in DCA.

Subjects: Commissions; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2016:A5076

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 11/09/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.

12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Support

Bill: S3473

Sponsors: Smith, B (D17)

Summary: Restricts compensation of external managers authorized to invest assets of State pension or annuity funds and requires disclosure thereof.
Subjects: Banking And Finance; Pensions
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/09/2017 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 11/09/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Monitor

Bill: S3487
Sponsors: Allen (R7); Beach (D6)
Summary: Prohibits investment of pension and annuity funds by State in entities that avoid Superfund obligations to State.
Subjects: Pensions
Related: 2016:A4814
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/09/2017 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 11/09/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Scheduled: 12/11/2017 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee, 1:00p, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 7, Annex. (Revised 12/08/2017)
Position: Support

Bill: S3504
Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Sarlo (D36)
Summary: Requires analyses and reporting of investment performance of pension funds; requires disclosure of fees paid to managers of certain funds in which State invests pension funds.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:A4704
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 11/09/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
11/30/2017 - Transferred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
Position: Support

Bill: S3506
Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Madden (D4)
Summary: Increases death benefit of active member of PFRS and SPRS to 50 percent of final compensation for surviving child or children.
Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/09/2017 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 11/09/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: S3597
Sponsors: Gill (D34)
Summary: Prohibits offering of health benefit plans in the State that do not meet certain standards; requires Commissioner of Banking and Insurance to take enforcement action against offering of plans not in compliance.
Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 12/07/2017 - Senate Commerce Committee
History: 12/07/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.
Position: Monitor

Bill: S3606
Sponsors: Beach (D6)

Summary: Exempts certain health information contained in 9-1-1 calls from definition of government record.
Subjects: Public Records, Notice And Meetings
Related: 2016:A2073; 2014:A2050; 2012:A2656
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 12/07/2017 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 12/07/2017 - Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: SJR23

Sponsors: Vitale (D19); Oroho (R24) +2
Summary: Establishes task force to study and make recommendations concerning stabilization and growth of volunteer first responder community.
Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services
Related: 2016:AJR47; 2014:AJR114; 2014:SJR94
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/04/2017 - 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 02/08/2016 - Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.
06/19/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
06/29/2017 - Passed in Senate 35-0.
07/13/2017 - Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness Committee.
12/04/2017 - Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Monitor