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Legislative Committee Report November 19, 2022

To: Officers & All Members of the Executive Committee,

The 2022-2023 Legislative Session has a total of 8,455 bills introduced so far as of this report. The Legislative Committee is currently tracking 135 bills that relate to the fire service. The Governor has signed 130 bills into law and has eight bills sitting on his desk.

Three of our tracked bills were signed into law since our last meeting.

A-4127, Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.

A-4107, Makes various changes concerning regulation of emergency medical services; establishes mobile integrated health program and new state Emergency Medical Services Director in DOH.

SJR-23, Designates October of each year as "First Responders Appreciation Month."

There are Assembly & Senate Voting Sessions scheduled for Monday, November 21, 2022, at 10:00 pm & 12:00pm.

President Ordway, Vice-President Hankins, Second Assistant Dreby, and I have been meeting with members of the Senate and Assembly this past month concerning new legislation for Cancer Screenings for Volunteer Firefighters. Legislation has been signed into law for Cancer Screening for Career Firefighters on two separate bills for members with and without the State Health Benefits Plan. We hope this new legislation can be broken down into two new bills that will cover Volunteer Firefighters with and with out the State Health Benefits Plan as well. As soon as we have bill numbers and draft verbiage for this legislation, I will share with everyone.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brian E. Martone
Legislative Committee Chairman
First Assistant Secretary