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## **Legislative Committee** **June 11, 2024**

To all members of the Legislative Committee, the total number of bills introduced is 8,550 already for this session. There were 97 new bills added since the last report. I added six new bills to our tracking lists this week, three in Fire & Emergency Services and three in Pensions (see attached). The total number of our tracked bills is now 249, with 137 bills in Fire & Emergency Services, 71 bills in Firemen's Home, and 45 bills in Pensions. There is currently one bill sitting on The Governor's Desk waiting to be signed. The Governor signed seventeen bills into law to date.

On Thursday, June 6, 2024, A-3894, amends certain fire safety statutes to update licensure and equipment requirements and liability, fee, and penalty provisions, was heard in the Assembly State and Local Government Committee. The bill was reported out of committee and referred to the Assembly Public Safety and Preparedness Committee.

This Thursday, June 13, 2024, there are some Assembly and Senate Committee Meetings where some of our tracked bills will be heard (see attached).

Please try to submit your votes for the bill voting list that I sent out. I have received about half of them back already. If anyone has any questions on any of the bills or needs any help with this, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,



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## New Bills Introduced or Proposed on 06/10/2024

**Bill:** S3411  
**Sponsors:** Cryan (D20)  
**Summary:** Establishes EMS part of PERS; provides enhanced benefits for emergency medical services employees.  
**Subjects:** Health-Emergency Medical Services; Pensions-Public Employees  
**Related:** 2024:A4364  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Pensions](#)

**Bill:** S3412  
**Sponsors:** Cryan (D20)  
**Summary:** Requires temporary benefit enhancement to be granted in each of two State fiscal years when retirement allowance or benefit is below certain amount for retiree or beneficiary in PFRS; makes appropriation.  
**Subjects:** Pensions-Police And Firefighters  
**Related:** 2022:A5882; 2022:S4239  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Pensions](#)

**Bill:** S3423  
**Sponsors:** Timberlake (D34); Ruiz (D29)  
**Summary:** Requires standards for organization and deployment of career fire fighters to be consistent with certain national standards.  
**Subjects:** Public Safety-Firefighters  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate Law and Public Safety Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Fire & Emergency Services](#)

**Bill:** S3426  
**Sponsors:** Timberlake (D34); Ruiz (D29)  
**Summary:** Requires Civil Service Commission establish mentoring program for certain civil service firefighter applicants.  
**Subjects:** Civil Service; Public Safety-Firefighters  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate Law and Public Safety Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Fire & Emergency Services](#)

**Bill:** S3427  
**Sponsors:** Timberlake (D34); Ruiz (D29)  
**Summary:** Permits companion to receive PFRS accidental death pension when there is no surviving spouse; requires adjustment of final compensation for calculation of accidental death benefit for surviving spouse, companion, and children of PFRS members.  
**Subjects:** Pensions-Police And Firefighters  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Pensions](#)

**Bill:** S3428  
**Sponsors:** Timberlake (D34); Ruiz (D29)  
**Summary:** Establishes marine firefighting training course requirements for certain firefighters; appropriates \$140 million.  
**Subjects:** Public Safety-Firefighters  
**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 06/10/2024 - Senate Law and Public Safety Committee  
**History:** 06/10/2024—Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.  
**Tracking:** [Fire & Emergency Services](#)



Thursday, June 13, 2024

**Assembly, Committees at Call of Speaker; Quorum.**

*Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee, Not Meeting.*

**State House Commission, 9:00a, 2nd Floor, Committee Room 7, Annex.**

The public may submit comments in advance to the Commission at: [StateHouseCommission@treas.nj.gov](mailto:StateHouseCommission@treas.nj.gov)

**Assembly Children, Families and Food Security Committee, 10:00a, 4th Floor, Committee Room 15, Annex.**

**Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee, 10:00a, 4th Floor, Committee Room 11, Annex.**

**Senate, 10:00a Group 4 Committees; 12:00p Quorum Call.**

**Senate Judiciary Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.**

For discussion only: S-729, S-2050. Nominations to be interviewed & considered. The committee will hold a public hearing following the meeting to take testimony from invited guests and members of the public on concerns related to youth involvement in certain crimes including auto theft and burglary, and what the State should be doing to address the issue.

**Senate Law and Public Safety Committee, 10:00a, 3rd Floor, Committee Room 10, Annex.**

- ★ **SCR100** Proposes constitutional amendment to provide property tax exemption for primary residence owned and occupied by surviving spouse of first responder who dies while performing regular or assigned duties.

**Tracking:** *Fire & Emergency Services*

**Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 1, Annex.**

**Assembly Housing Committee, 1:00p, 3rd Floor, Committee Room 9, Annex.**

For Amendment Only: A-2258, A-4470

- ★ **A4458** Establishes exemptions and revises implementation timeline for requirement that newly constructed townhouses be installed with automatic fire sprinkler system.

**Tracking:** *Fire & Emergency Services*