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## Legislative Committee July 10, 2025

To all members of the Legislative Committee, the total number of bills introduced is 11,368 already for this session. There were 159 new bills added since the last report, I did not add any new bills to our tracking lists. The total number of our tracked bills stayed the same at 335, with 198 bills in Fire & Emergency Services, 76 bills in Firemen's Home, and 61 bills in Pensions. There are currently seventy-five bills sitting on the Governor's Desk waiting to be signed, including three of our tracked bills (see attached). The Governor signed two hundred twenty-seven bills into law to date.

There is nothing on the schedule for the rest of the month or next month as the legislature usually takes a summer break. I will keep everyone posted on their schedule if any changes are made.

Just a reminder I will send out a generic legislative report next week that will be used for the county caucus meetings. If anyone wishes to make any changes you are more then welcomed to.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## Bills On The Governor's Desk (2024-2025)

Bill: A5049 AcaAca (2R)

Sponsors: Greenwald (D6); Sampson (D31); Karabinchak (D18); Hutchison (D4); Beach (D6); Bucco (R25) +25

Summary: Removes certain limitations on receipt of retirement or death benefits under PFRS under certain circumstances.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters

Related: 2024:S3812 Progress: Governor

Status: 06/30/2025 - Passed in both houses

History: 11/14/2024—Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

02/20/2025—Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee. 03/20/2025—Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

06/26/2025—Recommitted to Assembly Budget Committee. Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading

in Assembly.

06/30/2025—Passed in Assembly 80-0-0. Received in Senate w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Senate. Substituted for

S-3812 (1R). Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 39-0.

Tracking: Pensions
Position: Support

Bill: A5381 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Kennedy (D22); Atkins (D20); Venezia (D34); Quijano (D20); Greenstein (D14) +20

Summary: Provides medical documentation requirement for certain members of PERS, PFRS, and SPRS to receive accidental disability

retirement allowance for participation in 9/11 World Trade Center rescue, recovery, or cleanup operations; removes filing deadline.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; State Government

Related: 2024:S4402 Progress: Governor

Status: 06/30/2025 - Passed in both houses

History: 03/06/2025—Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

04/10/2025—Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee. 06/19/2025—Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

06/30/2025—Passed in Assembly 79-0-0. Received in Senate w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Senate. Substituted for

S-4402 (1R). Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 39-0.

Tracking: Fire & Emergency Services

Position: Support

Bill: A5792 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Freiman (D16); Drulis (D16); Hutchison (D4); Quijano (D20); Lagana (D38); Scutari (D22) +15

Summary: Provides for workers' compensation coverage of certain counseling services for first responders and provides that certain mental

health related communications are confidential.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services; Human Services-Mental Health; Labor-Workers Compensation

Related: 2024:S4590 Progress: Governor

Status: 06/30/2025 - Passed in both houses

History: 06/16/2025—Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee. Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd

reading in Assembly.

06/30/2025—Passed in Assembly 80-0-0. Received in Senate w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Senate. Substituted for

S-4590 (1R). Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 39-0.

Tracking: Fire & Emergency Services