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Legislative Committee Report

May 2, 2026

The legislative sessions for the 2026/2027 have begun. The Officers continue to speak with Senators and Assembly persons in reference to the bills we are most interested in, particularly, the Cancer Screening Bill and the Post Traumatic treatment. Our advocate Matt McDermott is doing a great job in setting up the zoom meetings with the Senators and Assembly persons and making very important contacts and allowing the Officers of the Association speak directly to those individuals. We have had no negative comments from anyone we have spoken to.

The Senate and Assembly continue to be in budget talks so the activity in moving bills has slowed.

Current Bills that we are tracking are 159 Fire and Emergency Services, 59 Firemen's Home and 50 Pensions for a total of 268. There are 3 Bills on the Governor's desk to be signed, none of which are fire related.

We continue to talk with as many legislators as possible and if anyone can speak with any legislators in their county, please feel free to do so. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

If you should have any questions in relationship to any activity in the Senate or Assembly, please feel free to contact me.

Respectively submitted,

Richard Dreby

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