



**NEW YORK STATE PROFESSIONAL
FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION**

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2024 Tentative Legislative Agenda

NYS PFFA

Bill	Position	Senate No.	Senate Sponsor	Assembly No.	Assembly Sponsor	Status (Senate/Assembly)
Tier 6 3 Year Final Average Salary; 10% Cap over 2 years	Support	S.8306-C	BUDGET	A.8806-C	BUDGET	04/20/24 Signed Chapter 56 of 2024
Tier 6 Overtime Pay Exclusion Extension (April 1, 2026)	Support	S.8305-C	BUDGET	A.8805-C	BUDGET	04/20/24 Signed Chapter 55 of 2024
NYS PFFA Funding for Health, Safety and Training	Support	S.8303-D	BUDGET	A.8803-D	BUDGET	05/01/24 Signed Chapter 53 of 2024
Extends provisions related to public arbitration panels until 2029	Support	S.8746	Jackson	A.9516	Pheffer Amato	06/28/24 Signed Chapter 134 of 2024
Thyroid Cancer Presumption	Support	S.9205	Gounardes	A.9933	Pheffer Amato	12/13/24 Signed Chapter 588 of 2024
Special Accident Death Benefit COLA	Support	S.9076	Gounardes	A.10111	Pheffer Amato	06/28/24 Signed Chapter 162 of 2024
Relates to the disclosure of public employee disciplinary records	Support	S.5500-B	Skoufis	A.6146-B	Buttenschon	09/04/24 Signed Chapter 302 of 2024
Storage and distribution of blood and initiate and administer blood transfusions	Support	S.6226-A	Hinchey	A.5789-A	Woerner	09/18/24 Signed Chapter 316 of 2024

Final and Binding Determination of Independent Hearing Officers on Disability Leave	Support	S.8960	Jackson	A.9932	Pheffer Amato	12/13/24 Veto 87 of 2024
Equitable Distribution of Foreign Fire Insurance	Support	S.6269	Gounardes	A.7160-A	Weprin	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance A. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance
OFPC Interior Fire Fighter Reporting	Support	S.8574	Jackson	A.9241	Weprin	S. 02/15/24 Referred to Finance A. 02/22/24 Referred to Governmental Operations
Protects the health insurance benefits of retirees of public employers and contributions of retirees of public employers	Support	S.8388-B	Harckham	A.7866-B	Zebrowski	S. 05/22/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 05/29/24 Reported Referred to Ways and Means
Increases the amount of years of military service credit a member may purchase	Support	S.5618-C	Thomas	A.5936-C	Sillitti	S. 05/07/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 05/30/24 Reported and Referred to Rules
Foreign Fire Insurance Distribution for Active Members	Support	S.3404	Breslin	A.172	Paulin	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance A. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance
Workers' Compensation for PTSD *Seeking amendments with 207a protections*	Support	S.3367	Gounardes	A.2302	O'Donnell	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Labor A. 01/03/24 Referred to Labor
NYC Fire						
NYC Cadet Buy Back	Support	S.7128-A	Gounardes	A.7681	Pheffer Amato	12/13/24 Signed Chapter 577 of 2024
Eliminate Social Security Offset for Members of the New York City Fire Department Pension Fund	Support	S.5467-A	Gounardes	A.5480-B	Pheffer Amato	S. 03/12/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 02/09/24 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees
Tier 3 One-Fortieth Benefit	Support	S.9591	Jackson	A.7698	Pheffer Amato	S. 05/16/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 04/19/24 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees
COVID-19 Reinstatement	Support	S.7466-B	Lanza	A.9196-A	Williams	S. 05/16/24 Amend and Recommit to Cities 1 A. 05/16/24 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees

Authorizes and directs the MTA to implement a free fare program for NYC firefighters on the LIRR	Support	S.8870	Jackson	A.9758	Pheffer Amato	S. 03/22/24 Referred to Transportation A. 04/03/24 Referred to Corporations, Authorities and Commissions
Relates to normal retirement age for police/fire members of the New York city fire department pension fund	Support	S.8818	Jackson	A.10018	Pheffer Amato	S. 05/22/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 05/01/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
Removes eligibility or receipt of primary social security disability benefits as a condition for ordinary disability retirement for certain members	Support	S.9634	Jackson	A.10465	Pheffer Amato	S. 06/07/24 Recommitted to Rules A. 05/29/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
Bills of Interest - Support						
Authorizes beneficiaries to choose pension benefits or a death benefit	Support	S9812-A	Skoufis	A.10570	Zebrowski	12/13/24 Signed Chapter 593 of 2024
Buffalo 20 Year Retirement	Support	S.8686	Ryan	A.9442	Wallace	09/27/24 Signed Chapter 418 of 2024
Prohibits the Diminution of Health Insurance for Retired Firefighters	Support	S.2728	Sanders	A.3768	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/03/23 Referred to Ways and Means
COVID-19 Death Benefit Extender (2025)	Support	S.9831-A	Jackson	A.10524	Pheffer Amato	S. 06/07/24 Passed Senate A. 06/02/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
25 year retirement plan for firefighters employed by the DMNA	Support	S.9118	Skoufis	A.9395	Pheffer Amato	S. 04/29/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 06/03/24 Passed Assembly
Relates to the limitation of overtime compensation in final average salary calculations	Support	S.6343-A	Gounardes	A.6574-A	Pheffer Amato	S. 03/12/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 02/21/24 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees
Tier VI Flat 3% Contribution	Support	S.8757	Jackson	A.9527	Pheffer Amato	S. 03/07/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 03/20/24 Referred to Governmental Employees

3% Military Buyback	Support	S.7540	Scarcella-Spanton	A.7343	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/03/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
Tier VI - 3 year FAS; 20% Cap over 2 Years	Support			A.7131	Pheffer Amato	A. 01/03/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
Tier VI Flat 3% Contribution	Support			A.5487	Pheffer Amato	A. 01/03/24 Referred to Governmental Employees
2% Monies/Special Act	Support	S.3549	Breslin			S. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance
Authorizes retired firefighters to be employed as fire science instructors by career and technical education centers without a reduction of benefits	Support	S.6155-A	Skoufis	A.7455-A	Gunther	S. 05/07/24 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 01/25/24 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees
Distinctive License Plates for Family Members of Paid Professional Fire Fighters who Died in the Line-of-Duty	Support	S.9508	Cooney			S. 05/16/24 Referred to Transportation
Retires Notice of Change to Retiree Health Insurance	Support	S.2690	Breslin			S. 05/16/24 Passed Senate
State Aid to Towns based on Tax Exempt Properties	Support	S.7283	Skoufis	A.4303	Gunther	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Local Government A. 01/03/24 Referred to Real Property Taxation
Provides for insurance coverage of comprehensive annual medical examinations for firefighters	Support	S.9431	Webb	A.1403	Hunter	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance A. 01/03/24 Referred to Insurance
Including Fire Districts under the HWB Program	Support	S.4864	Cooney	A.6837	Paulin	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Health A. 01/03/24 Referred to Health
Prohibit Diminishing Health Insurance	Support	S.4191-A	Lanza	A.4989-A	Weprin	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/03/24 Referred to Governmental Employees

Bills of Interest - Opposed

Provides that a fire company may elect to include call firefighters within its membership who shall receive a stipend for each call	Oppose	S.6098	Skoufis	A.5744	Stirpe	S. 01/03/24 Referred to Local Government A. 01/03/24 Referred to Local Governments
Public Employer Continuing Terms of Expired Agreement	Oppose			A.3655	Fitzpatrick	A. 01/03/24 Referred to Governmental Employees