



# NEW YORK STATE PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

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## 2026 Tentative Legislative Agenda

### NYS PFFA

Bill	Position	Senate No.	Senate Sponsor	Assembly No.	Assembly Sponsor	Status (Senate/Assembly)
NYS PFFA Funding for Health, Safety and Training	Support	S.9003-B	BUDGET (Scarcella-Spanton)		BUDGET (Weprin)	S. 03/09/26 Amend and Recommit to Finance
Tier 5 & 6 Amendments (Increased OT Cap & Reductions to Employee Contributions)			BUDGET		BUDGET	Coordination with AFL-CIO, police organizations for inclusion in FY 2027 NYS Budget
OFPC Interior Fire Fighter Reporting	Support		Jackson		Weprin	Redrafting bill
Public Referendum Regarding the Dissolution of Fire Districts	Support	S.9347	Martinez			S.03/04/26 Referred to Local Government
Special Accident Death Benefit COLA	Support		Gouardes		Pheffer Amato	Awaiting Introduction
Relates to the limitation of overtime compensation in final average salary calculations	Support	S.6639	Gouardes	A.8574-A	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/28/26 Amend and Recommit to Governmental Employees
Equitable Distribution of Foreign Fire Insurance	Support	S.6716	Jackson	A.3786	Weprin	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance
Increases the amount of years of military service credit a member may purchase	Support	S.6840-A	Scarcella-Spanton	A.8593-A	Pheffer Amato	S. 03/10/26 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 03/10/26 Reported and Committed to Ways and Means
3% Military Buyback	Support	S.7114	Scarcella-Spanton	A.7827	Pheffer Amato	S.01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A.01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Foreign Fire Insurance Distribution for Active Members	Support	S.5306	Bailey	A527	Paulin	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance
207a benefits for firefighters diagnosed with PTSD	Support	S.7272	Gouardes	A.8037	Eachus	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Local Government A. 01/07/26 Referred to Local Governments
<b>NYC Fire</b>						
Provides for longevity bonuses relating to first grade firefighters and promotions from the firefighter rank	Support	S.9202	Jackson	A.10392	Pheffer Amato	S. 02/13/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions 03/03/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Removes the twenty-five year requirement for tier three escalation for service retirement	Support	S.9203	Jackson	A.10254	Pheffer Amato	S. 02/13/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions 02/12/26 Referred to Governmental Employees

Provides that full escalation date means the first day of the month following the date on which a member completes or would have completed twenty-three years of credited service	Support	S.9204	Jackson			S. 02/13/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions
Provides for salary bonuses for members of the uniformed service with the New York city fire department who retire with at least twenty-five, thirty or thirty-five years of service.	Support	S.9306	Jackson	A.10438	Pheffer Amato	S. 02/27/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions 03/06/26 Referred to Governmental Employees A.
Eliminate Social Security Offset for Members of the New York City Fire Department Pension Fund	Support	S.6289	Gounardes	A.6940	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Tier 3 One-Fortieth Benefit	Support	S.5058	Jackson	A.5853	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Reported and Comitted to Finance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
COVID-19 Reinstatement	Support	S.7207	Lanza	A.3686	Williams	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Cities 1 A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Authorizes and directs the MTA to implement a free fare program for NYC firefighters on the LIRR	Support	S.935	Jackson	A.3288	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation A. 01/07/26 Referred to Corporations, Authorities and Commissions
Established a central business district toll exemption for certain employees of the fire department of the city of New York	Support	S.2630	Jackson	A.3586	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation A. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation
Provides for beneficiaries of the death benefits of an eligible uniformed FDNY member the ability to elect to receive such benefits in a certain lump-sum amount.	Support	S.7113	Jackson	A.7899	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Relates to disability retirement benefits for the presumption of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)	Support	S.7534	Jackson	A.8229	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
<b>Bills of Interest - Support</b>						
Prohibits the Diminution of Health Insurance for Retired Firefighters	Support	S.4732	Sanders			S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions
25 year retirement plan for firefighters employed by the DMNA	Support			A.5552	Pheffer Amato	Referred to Governmental Employees A. 01/07/26
Distinctive License Plates for Family Members of Paid Professional Fire Fighters who Died in the Line-of-Duty	Support	S.2261	Cooney			S. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation
Retires Notice of Change to Retiree Health Insurance	Support	S.4872	Fahy			S. 01/07/26 Referred to Local Government
Provides for insurance coverage of comprehensive annual medical examinations for firefighters	Support	S.6749	Webb	A.1458	Hunter	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance

Establishes law enforcement officer grant funds and firefighter grant funds	Support	S.6786	Griffo	A.5826	Buttenschon	S. 01/08/26 To Attorney-General for Opinion A. 01/08/26 To Attorney-General for Opinion
Permits local governments to update outdated laws related to the disbursement of foreign fire insurance	Support	S.5356	Comrie			S. 01/07/26 Referred to Insurance
Establishes a central business district toll exemption for first responders	Support	S.4915	Scarcella-Spanton	A.1599	Pheffer Amato	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation A. 01/07/26 Referred to Transportation
Authorizes retired firefighters to be employed as fire science instructors by career and technical education centers without a reduction of benefits	Support	S.7930	Skoufis			S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions
Establishes the "Health Equity for Retirees Act"	Monitor	S.8093	Harckham			S. 05/15/25 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions
Prohibit Diminishing Health Insurance	Support	S.5868	Lanza	A.1668	Weprin	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Civil Service and Pensions A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
<b>Bills of Interest - Opposed</b>						
Provides for establishment of the New York Health Plan	Oppose	S.3425	Rivera	A.1466	Paulin	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Health A. 01/07/26 Referred to Health
Establishes a retirement service credit for volunteer fire or emergency service	Oppose	S.7021	C. Ryan	A.8082	Eachus	S. 01/07/26 Reported and Committed to Finance A. 01/07/26 Referred to Governmental Employees
Provides that a fire company may elect to include call firefighters within its membership who shall receive a stipend for each call	Oppose			A.3044	Stirpe	A. 01/07/26 Referred to Local Governments
Provides free SUNY, CUNY, and community college tuition to active volunteer firefighters	Monitor	S.3139	Cooney	A.5863	Colton	S. 01/07/26 Referred to Higher Education A. 01/07/26 Referred to Higher Education *Seeking amendments to include professional firefighters