
Pensions & Benefits (2016-2017)

Bill: A4**Sponsors:** Prieto (D32); Rible (R30); Wimberly (D35); Lagana (D38); Dancer (R12); Schepisi (R39)**Summary:** Requires State to pay its pension contributions on quarterly basis by September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30 of each year, beginning July 1, 2017.**Subjects:** Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers**Related:** 2016:S2810**Progress:** 1st House: 2nd Reading**Status:** 11/21/2016 – Substituted by another bill**History:** 11/21/2016 – Introduced, 1st reading w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Assembly. Substituted by S-2810.**Position:** Support**Priority:** High**Bill: A11 Aca (1R)****Sponsors:** Prieto (D32); McKeon (D27); Schaer (D36); Sumter (D35); Caputo (D28); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Giblin (D34)**Summary:** Adjusts certain State taxes to support strengthened investments in public, private, and charitable assets in this State.**Subjects:** Taxation**Related:** 2016:A12; 2016:S2411**Progress:** 1st House: 2nd Reading**Status:** 06/23/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly**History:** 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.

06/23/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A12 ScaSa (2R)****Sponsors:** Prieto (D32); McKeon (D27); Schaer (D36); Sumter (D35); Caputo (D28); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Giblin (D34); Rible (R30); Sarlo (D36); Oroho (R24) +2**Summary:** Adjusts certain State taxes to support strengthened investments in public and private assets in this State.**Subjects:** Taxation; Taxation-Alcohol, Gasoline And Tobacco Taxes; Taxation-Sales Tax**Related:** 2016:A11; 2016:S2411**Progress:** Pamphlet Law**Status:** 10/14/2016 – Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor**History:** 06/27/2016 – Introduced, 1st reading w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Assembly. Motion Add To Calendar 56-19-0 (Prieto). Emergency resolution 61-15-0 (Prieto). Passed in Assembly 53-23-0.

06/30/2016 – Received in Senate and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

07/29/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

10/05/2016 – Motion to amend on Senate floor (Beck). Motion to table bill 19-9 (Weinberg). Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 22-10 (Sarlo).

10/07/2016 – Substituted for S-2411 (3R). Motion to amend on Senate floor (Beck). Motion to table bill 20-13

(Weinberg). Passed in Senate 24-14. Received in Assembly, 2nd reading in Assembly to concur with Senate amendments. Motion To Recommit Aap (Ciattarelli). Motion to table motion by voice vote (Greenwald). Passed in

Assembly and sent to Governor 45-27-0.

10/14/2016 – Signed by the Governor P.L.2016, c.57.

Position: Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A99****Sponsors:** Prieto (D32); Sumter (D35); Schaer (D36); Greenwald (D6); Rible (R30); Dancer (R12) +3**Summary:** Transfers management of PFRS to Board of Trustees of PFRS.**Subjects:** Pensions-Police And Firefighters**Related:** 2016:S3040**Progress:** 1st House: 2nd Reading**Status:** 03/23/2017 – Substituted by another bill**History:** 03/16/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

03/20/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

03/23/2017 – Substituted by S-3040 (1R).

Position: Monitor**Priority:** High

Bill: A115

Sponsors: Space (R24); Phoebus (R24)

Summary: Expands scope of review of Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission.

Subjects: Commissions; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2014:A145; 2012:A2446; 2010:A193; 2010:S351; 2008:A3888; 2008:S2682

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A133

Sponsors: Space (R24); Phoebus (R24); DiMaio (R23) +1

Summary: Establishes 80 as maximum age for issuing special handgun carry permits to retired police officers.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons

Related: 2016:S77; 2014:A3900; 2014:S1069; 2012:S1407; 2010:S2864

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A182

Sponsors: Caputo (D28)

Summary: Changes calculation of years of service from date of enrollment in pension system to date of appointment to determine certain retirees' payment obligations for health care coverage.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2014:A364; 2012:A2942

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A188

Sponsors: Caputo (D28); Burzichelli (D3); Gusciora (D15)

Summary: Caps at 35 percent share of State public employee pension and annuity funds portfolio that may be invested in combination of hedge funds, private equity, commodities, and real estate.

Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees; State Government-Officers And Employees

Related: 2014:A370; 2012:A3494

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Tourism, Gaming and the Arts Committee

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Tourism and Gaming Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A221

Sponsors: DeAngelo (D14); Danielsen (D17)

Summary: Provides civil service preference to military service members who did not serve in theater of operation but received campaign or expedition medal.

Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military

Related: 2016:S1583; 2014:A3848; 2014:S2475

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 06/06/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.

06/06/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Low

Bill: A319

Sponsors: Singleton (D7); Wisniewski (D19); Conaway (D7); Caride (D36); Quijano (D20); Sumter (D35); Wimberly (D35); Mukherji (D33) +4

Summary: Permits reimbursement of COBRA health benefit costs of survivors of certain deceased public safety employees; appropriates \$750,000.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services; Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:S2144; 2014:A4062; 2014:S2851
Progress: 2nd House: Referred to Committee
Status: 10/05/2016 – Senate Labor Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.
09/15/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
09/29/2016 – Passed in Assembly 72-1-0.
10/05/2016 – Received in Senate and referred to Senate Labor Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A337
Sponsors: Singleton (D7); Webber (R26)
Summary: Increases gross income tax exclusion for certain pension, annuity, and retirement income to \$45,000.
Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2014:A4799
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A390
Sponsors: Benson (D14); DeAngelo (D14); Bucco (R25); Lagana (D38) +15
Summary: Doubles amount of certain retirement income that may be excluded from gross income under gross income tax, eliminates income cap on exclusion.
Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2016:S1092; 2014:A1020; 2014:S1082; 2012:A2752; 2012:S1732
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A459
Sponsors: Mazzeo (D2); Schaer (D36); Benson (D14) +3
Summary: Provides State Investment Council must report private money managers' fee information and that council's regulations addressing political contributions will apply to federal or national committees and non-State political committees.
Subjects: Elections-Campaign Finance; Ethics
Related: 2016:S1378; 2014:A3772; 2014:S2430
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A460
Sponsors: Mazzeo (D2); Eustace (D38); Pinkin (D18); Lampitt (D6); Quijano (D20); Schaer (D36); Downey (D11); Danielsen (D17) +2
Summary: Expands eligibility for veterans civil service preference.
Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military
Related: 2014:A3884; 2014:S2533
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/15/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
03/03/2016 – Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
12/15/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Monitor

Bill: A532
Sponsors: Schepisi (R39); Moriarty (D4); DiMaio (R23) +2
Summary: Limits certain unused sick leave pay and vacation leave carry-forward for school and local employees; limits sick leave use by new public employees before retirement.
Subjects: Education-Teachers And School Employees; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2014:A3559; 2014:S2318

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A536 AcaAa (2R)
Sponsors: Schepisi (R39); Bucco (R25); Auth (R39); Danielsen (D17) +6
Summary: Provides PERS or PFRS member who continues to be volunteer firefighter or emergency services worker after retirement with employer from whom member retires has bona fide severance for compliance with State and federal law.
Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Public Safety-Firefighters
Related: 2016:S2107; 2014:A4399
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 05/22/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
05/11/2017 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
05/22/2017 – Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Tucker).
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A570
Sponsors: Handlin (R13)
Summary: Limits payment to certain public employees for accumulated sick leave upon retirement; requires fine and reprimand or termination for violation of sick leave by public employee.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:A4916; 2016:S2140; 2014:A174; 2014:S877; 2012:A128; 2012:S584; 2010:A557; 2010:S739; 2008:A3330; 2008:S680; 2006:A2887; 2004:S179; 2002:S1084; 2000:S1662
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A606
Sponsors: Lagana (D38); Danielsen (D17)
Summary: Eliminates eligibility time limit on tuition benefits for spouses of certain public safety workers killed in performance of their duties.
Subjects: Education-Finance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2016:S138; 2014:A3704; 2014:S456; 2012:S563; 2010:S784; 2008:S1002; 2006:S784
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Higher Education Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A623
Sponsors: Lagana (D38)
Summary: Limits eligibility of certain public employees for health care benefits coverage; prohibits those limited from receiving payments for waiving such coverage.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2014:A4893; 2014:S3264
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A653
Sponsors: Munoz, N. (R21); O'Scanlon (R13) +15
Summary: Prohibits payment to public employees at retirement for certain unused sick leave, provides for forfeiture of payment for unused sick leave for certain criminal convictions, and requires documentation for use of sick leave.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:S3146; 2014:A158; 2012:A2495
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/16/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
03/16/2017 – Motion To Make Order Of The Day. Motion to table bill 49-24-0 (Greenwald).
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A688
Sponsors: Munoz, N. (R21)
Summary: Concerns payment of leave time to employee in year of employee's retirement.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2014:A4487
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A748
Sponsors: Moriarty (D4)
Summary: Prohibits investment by State of pension and annuity funds in hedge funds and derivative contracts.
Subjects: Pensions; State Budget And Finance
Related: 2016:S1371; 2014:A645; 2014:S1837; 2012:A2257; 2012:S1140; 2010:A654; 2010:S1315; 2008:A3910;
2008:S2769
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: A749
Sponsors: Moriarty (D4)
Summary: Prohibits employees of certain organizations from enrolling in State-administered retirement system or health care plan of public employer.
Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2016:A1781; 2014:A646; 2014:A2543; 2012:A1540; 2012:A2522; 2012:S615; 2010:A2499; 2010:A4160;
2010:S2100; 2010:S2413
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A754
Sponsors: Moriarty (D4); Benson (D14); Webber (R26); Mosquera (D4)
Summary: Increases pension and retirement income exclusions under gross income tax for certain taxpayers.
Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2016:S2654; 2014:A3366
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A999
Sponsors: Gove (R9); Rumpf (R9)
Summary: "Breann's Law" requires health insurers, the State Health Benefits Program and NJ FamilyCare to provide "out of network" coverage for children with catastrophic illnesses.
Subjects: Children; Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2016:S902; 2014:A2238; 2014:S970; 2012:A2228; 2012:S1120; 2010:A2447; 2010:S1205; 2008:A3832;
2008:S2566
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1082**Sponsors:** Brown, C. (R2)**Summary:** Makes all members of Legislature ineligible to participate in SHBP.**Subjects:** Legislature; Public Employees-Benefits**Related:** 2014:A918; 2012:A294; 2010:A2717**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 03/18/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

03/18/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to enact.

Position: Support**Priority:** High

Bill: A1216**Sponsors:** Bucco (R25); Space (R24)**Summary:** Makes various changes to civil service; permits institution of temporary layoffs; permits government entities to opt-out of civil service; requires civil service examinations be offered on continual basis.**Subjects:** Civil Service; Labor**Related:** 2016:S1499; 2014:A159; 2012:A895; 2010:A4192**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** High

Bill: A1244**Sponsors:** Bucco (R25); Ciattarelli (R16); Schepisi (R39); Munoz, N. (R21) +4**Summary:** Establishes Class Three special law enforcement officers to provide security in public and nonpublic schools.**Subjects:** Education-School Facilities; Public Safety-Police**Related:** 2016:A3629; 2016:S86; 2014:A4543; 2014:S2983**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 01/27/2016 – Assembly Education Committee**History:** 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Education Committee.**Position:** Support**Priority:** Medium

Bill: A1277**Sponsors:** McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10) +3**Summary:** Doubles amount of certain retirement income that may be excluded from gross income under the gross income tax.**Subjects:** Taxation-Personal Income Tax**Related:** 2016:S221; 2014:A1207; 2014:S1026; 2012:A397; 2012:S206; 2010:A1267; 2008:A891; 2006:A1589; 2004:A1067; 2002:A2104; 2002:S1410**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee**History:** 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** Medium

Bill: A1405**Sponsors:** Johnson (D37); Quijano (D20); McKnight (D31) +1**Summary:** Provides for issuance of a uniform identification card for all law enforcement officers.**Subjects:** Public Safety-Police**Related:** 2014:A2267; 2012:A4250**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 01/27/2016 – Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee**History:** 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.**Position:** Support**Priority:** Low

Bill: A1446**Sponsors:** Lampitt (D6); Mukherji (D33); Green (D22); Wimberly (D35); Sumter (D35) +9**Summary:** Concerns earned sick leave.**Subjects:** Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits**Related:** 2016:S799; 2014:A2354; 2014:S785; 2012:A4125; 2012:S2866

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Labor Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1508
Sponsors: McKeon (D27); Downey (D11); Auth (R39) +1
Summary: Requires health insurers and State Health Benefits Commission to provide coverage for posttraumatic stress disorder under same conditions as other sickness.
Subjects: Human Services-Mental Health; Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2014:A1778; 2012:A2863; 2010:A2224; 2008:A2073; 2006:A2311; 2004:A1287; 2002:A2176; 2002:S664
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 05/11/2017 – Assembly Appropriations Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
05/11/2017 – Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1671
Sponsors: Schaer (D36); Singleton (D7)
Summary: Prioritizes investment of State administered pension funds in in-state infrastructure project investments over comparable out-of-state infrastructure project investments.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2014:A4711
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 10/13/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
10/13/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1749
Sponsors: Greenwald (D6)
Summary: Requires Treasurer and Divisions of Pensions and Benefits and Investment Directors to report on status of State-administered pension plans to Legislature by May 15 and November 15 each year.
Subjects: Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2014:A2472; 2012:A1318; 2010:A1607; 2010:A1671; 2010:S661; 2008:A2069; 2008:A2910; 2008:S471;
2006:A4273; 2006:S2649
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1767
Sponsors: Burzichelli (D3)
Summary: Changes certain eligibility criteria for TPAF, JRS, PERS, PFRS and SPRS disability benefits; requires Attorney General to establish fraud unit; creates temporary committee to recommend accidental disability standard for systems.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Labor-Workers Compensation; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2014:A1891; 2014:S76; 2012:A3074; 2012:S1913
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1781
Sponsors: Burzichelli (D3); Phoebus (R24) +1
Summary: Prohibits new employees of certain organizations from enrolling in State-administered retirement system or health care plan of public employer.
Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2016:A749; 2014:A646; 2014:A2543; 2012:A1540; 2012:A2522; 2012:S615; 2010:A2499; 2010:A4160;
2010:S2100; 2010:S2413

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1798
Sponsors: Conaway (D7); Moriarty (D4); Tucker (D28); Singleton (D7) +5
Summary: Expands eligibility for veterans' civil service preference; creates additional preference benefits.
Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:S1759; 2014:A1915; 2014:S2464; 2012:A1803; 2012:S1880; 2010:A1951; 2010:S507; 2008:A769; 2008:S1453; 2006:A1456; 2006:S1823; 2004:A3661
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/13/2017 – Assembly Appropriations Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
02/13/2017 – Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1862
Sponsors: Wimberly (D35) +5
Summary: Permits payment of only one co-payment or deductible for follow-up care or treatment after surgery or illness under certain health benefits plans.
Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2014:A1399; 2012:A3805
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A1884
Sponsors: Wimberly (D35); Lagana (D38); Singleton (D7); Mazzeo (D2) +9
Summary: Requires State to pay its pension contributions on quarterly basis by August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1 of each year.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:S2132; 2014:A4605; 2014:S3100
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: A1952 AcaAca (2R)
Sponsors: Coughlin (D19); Schaer (D36); Singleton (D7); Lampitt (D6); Spencer (D29) +19
Summary: "Out-of-network Consumer Protection, Transparency, Cost Containment and Accountability Act."
Subjects: Consumer Affairs-Consumer Protection; Insurance-Health Insurance; Regulatory Oversight
Related: 2016:S277; 2016:S1285; 2014:A4444; 2014:S20
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 10/27/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
06/20/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
10/27/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: A2001
Sponsors: Prieto (D32); Singleton (D7)
Summary: Makes FY 2015 supplemental State appropriations totaling \$300,000,000 for prepayment of portion of FY 2016 employer contributions to State-administered public employee defined benefit retirement systems.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers; State Budget And Finance; State Budget And Finance-Supplemental Appropriations
Related: 2014:A4606; 2014:S3107
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: A2048
Sponsors: Gusciora (D15); Eustace (D38); Jasey (D27); Quijano (D20); Wimberly (D35); Muoio (D15); Danielsen (D17) +4
Summary: Establishes "Police Officer, Firefighter, Public School Teacher, Corrections Officer, and Sanitation Worker Home-buyer Assistance Act"; appropriates \$5 million.
Subjects: Education-Teachers And School Employees; Housing-Finance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2016:S1965; 2014:A213; 2014:S1593; 2012:A1452; 2012:S1131; 2010:A1905; 2010:S1652; 2008:A793; 2008:S1269; 2006:A898; 2006:S1395; 2004:A785; 2004:S734; 2002:A2189; 2002:S948; 2000:S1777
Progress: 2nd House: Referred to Committee
Status: 04/21/2016 – Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.
03/03/2016 – Transferred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
03/07/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
03/14/2016 – Passed in Assembly 49-26-0.
04/21/2016 – Received in Senate and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Low

Bill: A2063
Sponsors: Gusciora (D15)
Summary: Requires State to pay full contribution to State-administered pension systems plus \$300 million annually until systems are fully funded; provides members of systems with contractual right to financially sound funding of systems.
Subjects: Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2014:A2121; 2012:A2265; 2010:A3928
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: A2077
Sponsors: Mukherji (D33); Mosquera (D4)
Summary: Prohibits unilateral changing of terms and conditions of employment by public employers.
Subjects: Public Employees
Related: 2014:A2575; 2012:A692; 2010:A662; 2010:S1255; 2008:A1533; 2008:S660; 2006:A1030; 2006:S319; 2004:A693; 2004:S1838; 2002:A3333
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Labor Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2119
Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Rumana (R40); Russo (R40) +3
Summary: Provides full forfeiture of pension of elected or appointed official convicted of any crime touching office.
Subjects: Crimes And Penalties; State Government-Officers And Employees
Related: 2016:A4377; 2016:S1557; 2014:A1612; 2014:S881; 2012:A1932; 2012:S590; 2010:A1815; 2010:S745; 2008:A3432; 2008:S2324
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2123
Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Schepisi (R39); Rodriguez-Gregg (R8); DeCroce, B. (R26); Bucco (R25) +11
Summary: Makes various changes to interest arbitration procedures; repeals sunset provision.
Subjects: Labor; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2014:A2987
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: A2298
Sponsors: Vainieri Huttle (D37); Pinkin (D18); Lagana (D38) +1
Summary: Requires certain health benefits plans to provide treatment for behavioral health care services when determined medically necessary.
Subjects: Human Services-Mental Health; Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2014:A3450; 2014:S2180
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/04/2016 – Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee
History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2337
Sponsors: Benson (D14); Jimenez (D32); Eustace (D38); DeCroce, B. (R26); Gusciora (D15); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Bramnick (R21); Mukherji (D33) +13
Summary: Requires health insurers to limit patient cost-sharing and provide appeal process concerning certain prescription drug coverage.
Subjects: Health-Pharmaceuticals; Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:S814; 2014:A4595; 2014:S3142
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 10/06/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
10/06/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2530
Sponsors: DeAngelo (D14)
Summary: Directs the Division of Taxation to produce instructional materials on the appropriate gross income tax treatment of certain deferred compensation plans.
Subjects: Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2016:S1900; 2014:A1513; 2012:A4367
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/04/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2848
Sponsors: Lampitt (D6)
Summary: Prohibits payment for unused sick leave earned after effective date by public officers and employees not represented by union; for all public employees, limits vacation leave carry-forward and requires suspension and forfeiture of certain supplemental com
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2014:A1845; 2012:A2489
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A2851
Sponsors: Lampitt (D6)
Summary: Limits use and supplemental compensation for certain leave; limits employment for certain public employees.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2014:A1839; 2012:A1172; 2010:A3953
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium**Bill: A2999****Sponsors:** Schaer (D36) +1**Summary:** Makes permanent certain temporary authorizations that expanded permitted investment by Director of Division of Investment of State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund and State pension funds.**Subjects:** Banking And Finance; Pensions**Related:** 2014:A1059; 2012:A246; 2010:A3441**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/16/2016 – Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee**History:** 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** High**Bill: A3087****Sponsors:** Quijano (D20); Lagana (D38)**Summary:** "Thomas P. Canzanella Twenty First Century First Responders Protection Act"; concerns workers' compensation for public safety workers.**Subjects:** Health-Emergency Medical Services; Labor-Workers Compensation; Public Safety-Emergency Management; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police**Related:** 2016:S2407; 2014:A1347; 2014:S264; 2012:A1196; 2012:S1778; 2010:A1250; 2010:S1624; 2008:A1330; 2008:S569; 2006:A4622; 2006:S2996**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/18/2016 – Assembly Labor Committee**History:** 02/18/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.**Position:** Support**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3099****Sponsors:** Prieto (D32); Eustace (D38); Lagana (D38)**Summary:** "New Jersey Secure Choice Savings Program Act"; establishes retirement savings program for certain workers.**Subjects:** Pensions**Related:** 2016:A1997; 2014:A4275; 2014:S2831**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/18/2016 – Assembly Labor Committee**History:** 02/18/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3119****Sponsors:** Dancer (R12) +1**Summary:** Prohibits DEP from charging fee for mobile sportfishing vehicle permit to any NJ resident who is a veteran, active military member, former or current member of the NJ National Guard or Reserve, or a volunteer emergency worker.**Subjects:** Boats And Boat Safety; Veterans And Military**Related:** 2014:A2637; 2012:A4478**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/22/2016 – Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3204****Sponsors:** Wolfe (R10)**Summary:** Eliminates remarriage prohibition for PFRS death benefits; provides retirement allowance to certain survivors of PFRS members.**Subjects:** Pensions-Police And Firefighters**Related:** 2016:S1774; 2014:A1174; 2014:S498; 2012:A373; 2012:S214; 2010:A1309; 2008:A1230; 2006:A1574; 2004:A3025**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/22/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** High

Bill: A3206**Sponsors:** Wolfe (R10); Singleton (D7); Quijano (D20); Holley (D20) +3**Summary:** Provides that PFRS definitions of widow, widower and spouse will include domestic partners of all PFRS members.**Subjects:** Domestic Relations; Pensions-Police And Firefighters**Related:** 2014:A1178; 2012:A378; 2010:A1314; 2008:A1235; 2006:A2420; 2006:S1110**Progress:** 2nd House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 06/30/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

05/19/2016 – Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

06/20/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

06/27/2016 – Passed in Assembly 75-0-1.

06/30/2016 – Received in Senate and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor**Priority:** High**Bill: A3215****Sponsors:** Phoebus (R24) +2**Summary:** Suspends pension of any retired public employee who resumes public employment with compensation more than \$15,000.**Subjects:** Pensions-Public Employees; Public Employees**Related:** 2016:S515; 2014:A114; 2014:S883; 2012:A860; 2012:S601; 2010:A4049; 2010:S2716**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/22/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3223****Sponsors:** Dancer (R12); Auth (R39)**Summary:** Provides public employee in State-administered retirement system who continues preexisting volunteer relationship with employer from whom employee retires has bona fide severance from employment for compliance with NJ and federal regulations.**Subjects:** Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers; Public Employees-Benefits**Related:** 2016:S2446; 2014:A4648; 2014:S3310**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/22/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.**Position:** Support**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3241****Sponsors:** Dancer (R12)**Summary:** Provides exceptions to garnish exemption against benefits from State-administered pension systems for certain financial claims under State law.**Subjects:** Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers**Related:** 2016:S1418; 2014:A2634; 2014:S1949; 2012:A4004; 2012:S2650**Progress:** 1st House: Referred to Committee**Status:** 02/22/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.**Position:** Monitor**Priority:** Medium**Bill: A3296 Aca (1R)****Sponsors:** Singleton (D7); Wimberly (D35); Holley (D20); Quijano (D20) +1**Summary:** Credits increases in employee contributions required by P.L.2011, c.78 as additional contributions to TPAF, JRS, PERS, PFRS, and SPRS unavailable to reduce normal contributions of State and local employers for actuarial valuations beginning July 1, 2015.**Subjects:** Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers**Related:** 2014:A3310; 2014:S2269**Progress:** 1st House: 2nd Reading**Status:** 12/15/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly**History:** 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

11/14/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

12/15/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A3469

Sponsors: Jimenez (D32); Sumter (D35)
Summary: Establishes compensation program for certain injured probation officers.
Subjects: Public Safety-Police
Related: 2014:A850; 2014:S2335; 2012:A4000
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 03/14/2016 – Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 03/14/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A3484

Sponsors: Handlin (R13)
Summary: Removes expiration of required payment by public employees of percentage of cost of health care coverage provided by public employers.
Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2016:S522; 2014:A3222; 2014:S1807
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 04/04/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 04/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: A3515

Sponsors: Dancer (R12); Webber (R26)
Summary: Clarifies that handgun ammunition may be sold to retired law enforcement officers with certain identification.
Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons
Related: 2016:S2071; 2014:A2172; 2012:A4435
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 04/04/2016 – Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 04/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A3566

Sponsors: Coughlin (D19)
Summary: Increases membership of State Police Retirement System Board of Trustees; requires membership to include two active and two retired members.
Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters
Related: 2014:A2846; 2012:A1257; 2010:A2645; 2010:S1827; 2008:S1770
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 04/04/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 04/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: A3610 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Conaway (D7); Singleton (D7); Greenwald (D6); Taliaferro (D3); Quijano (D20); Benson (D14) +3
Summary: Increases accidental death benefit to 70 % of final compensation for surviving children of SPRS or PFRS member; redefines child in SPRS.
Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters
Related: 2016:S2061
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 06/27/2016 – Substituted by another bill
History: 04/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
05/19/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
05/20/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed without recommendation.
06/20/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/27/2016 – Substituted by S-2061 (1R).
Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: A3629 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Bucco (R25); Diegnan (D18); Rible (R30); Singleton (D7); Caride (D36); Moriarty (D4); Schepisi (R39); Wimberly (D35) +5

Summary: Establishes Class Three special law enforcement officers to provide security in public and nonpublic schools and county colleges.

Subjects: Education-School Facilities; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A1244; 2016:S86; 2014:A4543; 2014:S2983

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 06/27/2016 – Substituted by another bill

History: 04/14/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Education Committee.

06/20/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

06/27/2016 – Substituted by S-86 (3R).

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: A3905

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Munoz, N. (R21)

Summary: Sets level for health care benefits; requires employee contributions; prohibits reimbursement of Medicare Part B; adds member to SHBP/SEHBP plan design committees; requires retirees to purchase health care through exchanges.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:S2554

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/21/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

10/21/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to not enact.

Position: Oppose

Priority: High

Bill: A3906

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Munoz, N. (R21)

Summary: Creates Public Employee Pension and Health Care Benefits Reform Task Force.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Pensions-Public Employees; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:S2555

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/16/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: A3912

Sponsors: Pintor Marin (D29)

Summary: Allows for sharing of family leave benefits between covered individuals under certain circumstances.

Subjects: Labor-Temporary Disability

Related: 2016:S2426

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/20/2016 – Assembly Labor Committee

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A3941

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Mukherji (D33)

Summary: Prohibits multiple employer coverage for health care benefits of public employee and requires payment based on employee's aggregate public income.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/21/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

10/21/2016 – Phbc Reviewed Rcommend To Enact With Modification.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A3947 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Singleton (D7)

Summary: Clarifies applicability of statutory presumption concerning alimony payor's retirement and alimony termination.

Subjects: Domestic Relations-Divorce, Alimony And Spousal Support

Related: 2016:S2391

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 02/13/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.

02/13/2017 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A3957

Sponsors: Wisniewski (D19)

Summary: Permits municipality, fire district or authority to approve transfer of certain firefighters from PERS to PFRS.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2014:A1689; 2012:A1560; 2012:S2812; 2010:A1469; 2010:S1771; 2008:A4015; 2008:S2783

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/20/2016 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: A4203

Sponsors: DeAngelo (D14); Singleton (D7); Pintor Marin (D29)

Summary: Provides PFRS member in federal or State military service who is injured or killed with disability or death benefits.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Veterans And Military

Related: 2016:S2602; 2014:A1352; 2014:S1800; 2012:A2404; 2012:S1292; 2010:A1222; 2010:S1688; 2008:A1294; 2008:S1750; 2006:A970; 2006:S1201; 2004:A635; 2004:S621; 2002:A3345; 2002:S2478

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/19/2017 – Assembly Appropriations Committee

History: 10/06/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

01/19/2017 – Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: A4211

Sponsors: Gusciora (D15)

Summary: "New Jersey Public Option Health Care Act."

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:S3138

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/06/2016 – Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee

History: 10/06/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Low

Bill: A4237 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Sumter (D35); Benson (D14) +1

Summary: Prohibits termination of law enforcement officer or firefighter based upon determination that officer or firefighter is physically unable to perform duty under certain circumstances.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:S879; 2014:A4096; 2014:S2689

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/19/2016 – Substituted by another bill

History: 10/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.

12/05/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/19/2016 – Substituted by S-879 (2R).

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4251

Sponsors: Auth (R39); Caride (D36); Handlin (R13); Bucco (R25) +3

Summary: Establishes housing expense reimbursements for families of certain public safety officers killed in line of duty.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:S2799
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 10/13/2016 – Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 10/13/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4377
Sponsors: Houghtaling (D11); Downey (D11); Benson (D14) +2
Summary: Provides full forfeiture of pension of elected or appointed official convicted of any crime touching office.
Subjects: Pensions
Related: 2016:A2119; 2016:S1557; 2014:A1612; 2014:S881; 2012:A1932; 2012:S590; 2010:A1815; 2010:S745; 2008:A3432; 2008:S2324
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 12/05/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee
History: 12/05/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4388
Sponsors: Taliaferro (D3)
Summary: Provides for investment of State pension fund assets in certain debt obligations issued by New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority and New Jersey Infrastructure Bank.
Subjects: Pensions; Transportation-Planning, Finance And Economic Development
Related: 2016:S2842
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 12/12/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 12/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: A4447
Sponsors: Quijano (D20)
Summary: Increases accidental death benefit to 70 percent of compensation for surviving spouse or surviving children of PERS law enforcement, correction, and firefighter members; redefines child.
Subjects: Corrections; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2016:S2327
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/10/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/10/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4465
Sponsors: Andrzejczak (D1); Land (D1)
Summary: Excluding from gross income taxation certain pension payments received by police officers and firefighters.
Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/10/2017 – Assembly Appropriations Committee
History: 01/10/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4704
Sponsors: Singleton (D7)
Summary: Requires analyses and reporting of investment performance of pension funds; requires disclosure of fees paid to managers of certain funds in which State invests pension funds.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 03/20/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 03/20/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Scheduled: 06/05/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee, 2:00p, 4th Floor, Committee Room 13, Annex.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: A4763

Sponsors: Caputo (D28); Jasey (D27); Karabinchak (D18); Oliver (D34); Mukherji (D33); Chiaravalloti (D31); Dancer (R12); Rooney (R40) +9

Summary: Excludes amount of certain early withdrawals from qualified retirement plans in determination by Higher Education Student Assistance Authority of applicant's eligibility for and amount of State tuition aid grant.

Subjects: Education-Finance; Pensions

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 05/11/2017 – Assembly Higher Education Committee

History: 05/11/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4814

Sponsors: Rooney (R40)

Summary: Prohibits investment of pension and annuity funds by State in entities that avoid Superfund obligations to State.

Subjects: Pensions

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 05/18/2017 – Assembly Budget Committee

History: 05/18/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4842

Sponsors: Peterson (R23)

Summary: Allows PFRS death benefits to be paid to supplemental needs trust for unmarried disabled child.

Subjects: Human Services-Disabled; Pensions-Police And Firefighters

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 05/18/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 05/18/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4863 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Benson (D14)

Summary: Establishes 80 as maximum age for retired police officer to obtain special permit to carry handgun and requires proof of medical exam for officers age 76 to 80.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 06/01/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly

History: 05/18/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.

06/01/2017 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4916

Sponsors: McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10); Peterson (R23)

Summary: Limits payment to certain public employees for accumulated sick leave upon retirement; requires fine and reprimand or termination for violation of sick leave by public employee.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A570; 2016:S2140; 2014:A174; 2014:S877; 2012:A128; 2012:S584; 2010:A557; 2010:S739; 2008:A3330; 2008:S680; 2006:A2887; 2004:S179; 2002:S1084; 2000:S1662

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/01/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/01/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: A4917

Sponsors: McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10)

Summary: Limits use and supplemental compensation for certain leave.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:S194; 2014:S705; 2012:A1960; 2012:S808; 2010:A4193

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/01/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee

History: 06/01/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4918

Sponsors: McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10)
Summary: Restricts use of accumulated sick leave by public employees in year prior to retirement.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:S572; 2014:S644; 2012:S1620; 2010:A1612; 2010:S77; 2008:A2581; 2008:S2589
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 06/01/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 06/01/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4919

Sponsors: McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10)
Summary: Limits certain unused sick leave pay and vacation leave carry-forward for public officers and employees.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:S2947
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 06/01/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 06/01/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: A4921

Sponsors: McGuckin (R10); Wolfe (R10); Peterson (R23)
Summary: Eliminates payments for unused sick leave earned after effective date; limits carry forward of unused vacation leave; requires suspension and forfeiture of certain payments; limits use of unused sick leave in year before retirement.
Subjects: Education-Teachers And School Employees; Labor-Wages And Benefits; Local Officers And Employees; Public Employees; State Government-Officers And Employees
Related: 2016:S849; 2014:S79; 2012:S2117
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 06/01/2017 – Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 06/01/2017 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: ACR15

Sponsors: Tucker (D28); Caputo (D28)
Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment authorizing Legislature to extend civil service hiring preference to veterans who did not serve in time of war.
Subjects: Civil Service; Constitutional Amendments; Legislature; Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:SCR99; 2014:ACR215; 2014:SCR183
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 03/07/2016 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
03/03/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly. Copies placed on desks in Assembly.
03/07/2016 – Copies placed on desks in Senate.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: ACR42

Sponsors: Lagana (D38); Eustace (D38) +2
Summary: Amends State Constitution to require use of generally accepted actuarial standards to fund State-administered public employee retirement systems and to require quarterly payments to systems by public employers.
Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2014:ACR198; 2014:SCR124
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2016 – Assembly Budget Committee
History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Budget Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: ACR109

Sponsors: Prieto (D32); Jimenez (D32); Giblin (D34); Caputo (D28); DeAngelo (D14); Benson (D14) +8

Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to require payments by State to State-administered retirement systems and establish in Constitution right of public employees to pension benefit; provides for enforcement of funding obligations and benefit rights.

Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers

Related: 2016:SCR2; 2014:ACR3; 2014:SCR184

Progress: 2nd House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/30/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.

03/18/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to not enact.

06/06/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly. Copies placed on desks in Assembly. Copies placed on desks in Senate.

06/20/2016 – Public hearing held by Assembly Judiciary Committee.

06/27/2016 – Passed in Assembly 50-26-2.

06/30/2016 – Received in Senate and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: High

Bill: ACR117

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13)

Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to authorize changes to pension and health care benefits of public employees and to require State to make annual pension payments in certain cases.

Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:ACR190; 2016:ACR203; 2016:SCR123

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/16/2016 – Withdrawn from the files

History: 01/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

06/16/2016 – Withdrawn from the files.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: ACR190

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13); Munoz, N. (R21)

Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to authorize changes to pension and health care benefits of public employees and to require State to make annual pension payments in certain cases.

Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:ACR117; 2016:ACR203; 2016:SCR123

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/21/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee

History: 06/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.

10/21/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to not enact.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: ACR203

Sponsors: O'Scanlon (R13)

Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to authorize changes to pension and health care benefits of public employees and to require State to make annual pension payments in certain circumstances.

Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:ACR117; 2016:ACR190; 2016:SCR123

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 09/15/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee

History: 09/15/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: AJR73

Sponsors: Singleton (D7)

Summary: Establishes a commission to study alimony law.

Subjects: Commissions; Domestic Relations-Divorce, Alimony And Spousal Support

Related: 2016:SJR26; 2014:AJR32; 2014:SJR11; 2014:SJR37; 2012:AJR32; 2012:SJR41

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2016 – Assembly Judiciary Committee

History: 02/22/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Low

Bill: AR73 Aca (1R)

Sponsors: Benson (D14); DeAngelo (D14); Danielsen (D17)
Summary: Urges U.S. Congress to enact legislation protecting employee and retiree retirement benefits.
Subjects: Federal Relations-Memorializations; Pensions
Related: 2016:SR87; 2014:AR182
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 02/27/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
02/27/2017 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Scheduled: 06/08/2017 – Assembly, 11:00a Caucus; 1:00p Voting Session.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S77

Sponsors: Bucco (R25)
Summary: Establishes 80 as maximum age for issuing special handgun carry permits to retired police officers.
Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons
Related: 2016:A133; 2014:A3900; 2014:S1069; 2012:S1407; 2010:S2864
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S86 ScaSaAca w/GR (4R)

Sponsors: Bucco (R25); Sweeney (D3); Bucco (R25); Diegnan (D18); Rible (R30); Singleton (D7); Caride (D36); Moriarty (D4); Schepisi (R39); Wimberly (D35) +24
Summary: Establishes Class Three special law enforcement officers to provide security in public and nonpublic schools and county colleges.
Subjects: Education-School Facilities; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2016:A1244; 2016:A3629; 2014:A4543; 2014:S2983
Progress: Pamphlet Law
Status: 11/30/2016 – Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.
02/04/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.
02/11/2016 – Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 34-0 (Bucco).
03/14/2016 – Passed in Senate 38-0. Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly Education Committee.
06/20/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/27/2016 – Substituted for A-3629 (1R). Passed in Assembly 76-1-1. Received in Senate, 2nd reading in Senate to concur with Assembly amendments. Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 37-0.
09/08/2016 – Governor's conditional veto rcvd in Senate.
09/15/2016 – 2nd reading in Senate to concur with Governor's recommendations 36-0.
10/20/2016 – Passed in Senate 36-0. Received in Assembly, 2nd reading in Assembly to concur with Governor's recommendations.
11/21/2016 – Passed in Assembly and sent to Governor 72-0-0.
11/30/2016 – Signed by the Governor P.L.2016, c.68.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S109

Sponsors: Pennacchio (R26); Madden (D4)
Summary: Concerns certain workers' compensation supplemental benefits for surviving dependents of public safety workers who die in the line of duty.
Subjects: Labor-Workers Compensation; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2014:S416; 2012:S294; 2010:S1672
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate Labor Committee
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Labor Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S111

Sponsors: Pennacchio (R26)

Summary: Replaces TPAF, PERS, PFRS and SPRS accidental disability benefits with reduced work-related disability benefit; modifies JRS disability benefit.

Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers

Related: 2014:A1127; 2014:S418; 2012:A1482; 2012:S301; 2010:A4348; 2010:S3123

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S126

Sponsors: Pennacchio (R26)

Summary: Permits certain applicants to submit personal statement of veteran status, in lieu of determination of veteran status, prior to issuance of civil service eligible list; requires submission of determination of status prior to employment.

Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military

Related: 2014:A695; 2014:S3239; 2012:A448; 2010:A3092

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S138

Sponsors: Madden (D4)

Summary: Eliminates eligibility time limit on tuition benefits for spouses of certain public safety workers killed in performance of their duties.

Subjects: Education-Finance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A606; 2014:A3704; 2014:S456; 2012:S563; 2010:S784; 2008:S1002; 2006:S784

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 03/07/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Higher Education Committee.

03/07/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S194

Sponsors: Kyrillos (R13) +1

Summary: Limits use and supplemental compensation for certain leave.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A4917; 2014:S705; 2012:A1960; 2012:S808; 2010:A4193

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/13/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

03/13/2017 – Motion Order Of The Day (Kyrillos). Motion to table bill 21-14 (Weinberg).

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S221

Sponsors: Holzapfel (R10) +1

Summary: Doubles amount of certain retirement income that may be excluded from gross income under the gross income tax.

Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Related: 2016:A1277; 2014:A1207; 2014:S1026; 2012:A397; 2012:S206; 2010:A1267; 2008:A891; 2006:A1589; 2004:A1067; 2002:A2104; 2002:S1410

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S248

Sponsors: Singer (R30)

Summary: Raises income threshold for pension and retirement income exclusions under gross income tax for married couples filing jointly.

Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Related: 2014:S2071

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S277

Sponsors: Vitale (D19); Weinberg (D37)

Summary: The "Out-of-network Consumer Protection, Transparency, Cost Containment and Accountability Act."

Subjects: Consumer Affairs-Consumer Protection; Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:A1952; 2016:S1285; 2014:A4444; 2014:S20

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/04/2016 – Withdrawn from the files

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.

02/04/2016 – Withdrawn from the files.

Position: Support

Priority: High

Bill: S515

Sponsors: Beck (R11); Oroho (R24) +4

Summary: Suspends pension of any retired public employee who resumes public employment with compensation more than \$15,000.

Subjects: Pensions-Public Employees; Public Employees

Related: 2016:A3215; 2014:A114; 2014:S883; 2012:A860; 2012:S601; 2010:A4049; 2010:S2716

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S522

Sponsors: Beck (R11); Bucco (R25)

Summary: Removes expiration of required payment by public employees of percentage of cost of health care coverage provided by public employers.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:A3484; 2014:A3222; 2014:S1807

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Oppose

Priority: High

Bill: S572

Sponsors: Doherty (R23) +3

Summary: Restricts use of accumulated sick leave by public employees in year prior to retirement.

Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A4918; 2014:S644; 2012:S1620; 2010:A1612; 2010:S77; 2008:A2581; 2008:S2589

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/13/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

03/13/2017 – Motion Order Of The Day (Doherty). Motion to table bill 20-14 (Weinberg).

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S643

Sponsors: Turner (D15)

Summary: Reinstates automatic COLA for retirement benefits of members of the State-administered retirement systems.

Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2014:S1588; 2012:S1568; 2010:S2986
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S700
Sponsors: Gordon (D38); Sweeney (D3); Greenstein (D14) +4
Summary: Requires State to pay its pension contributions quarterly on July 15, October 15, January 15 and April 15.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers; State Budget And Finance
Related: 2014:A3487; 2014:S2265
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S799 ScaSaSa (3R)
Sponsors: Weinberg (D37); Sweeney (D3) +7
Summary: Concerns earned sick leave.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits
Related: 2016:A1446; 2014:A2354; 2014:S785; 2012:A4125; 2012:S2866
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 06/23/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
03/07/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.
03/14/2016 – Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 22-0 (Weinberg).
06/23/2016 – Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 22-0 (Weinberg).
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S814
Sponsors: Weinberg (D37); Kean (R21)
Summary: Requires health insurers to limit patient cost-sharing and provide appeal process concerning certain prescription drug coverage.
Subjects: Health-Pharmaceuticals; Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:A2337; 2014:A4595; 2014:S3142
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/15/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.
11/14/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/15/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S849
Sponsors: Stack (D33); Cardinale (R39) +4
Summary: Eliminates payments for unused sick leave earned after effective date; limits carry forward of unused vacation leave; requires suspension and forfeiture of certain payments; limits use of unused sick leave in year before retirement.
Subjects: Education-Teachers And School Employees; Labor-Wages And Benefits; Local Officers And Employees; Public Employees; State Government-Officers And Employees
Related: 2016:A4921; 2014:S79; 2012:S2117
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/12/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Oppose
Priority: Medium

Bill: S859 Scs (SCS)

Sponsors: Stack (D33)

Summary: Allows municipal elected officials in PERS to retire based on other PERS service; allows PFRS to pay pension to member who retires from PFRS-covered employment to assume elective office with same employer.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Local Government-Municipalities; Local Officers And Employees; Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees

Related: 2014:A4300; 2014:S2788

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/12/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

03/18/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to enact.

12/12/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee substitute, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S879 SaAca (2R)

Sponsors: Greenstein (D14); Bateman (R16); Sumter (D35); Benson (D14) +1

Summary: Prohibits termination of law enforcement officer or firefighter based upon determination that officer or firefighter is physically unable to perform duty under certain circumstances.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A4237; 2014:A4096; 2014:S2689

Progress: Pamphlet Law

Status: 02/06/2017 – Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor

History: 01/12/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.

03/07/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

03/14/2016 – Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 28-0 (Greenstein).

05/26/2016 – Passed in Senate 37-0. Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.

12/05/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.

12/19/2016 – Substituted for A-4237 (1R). Passed in Assembly 77-0-0. Received in Senate, 2nd reading in Senate to concur with Assembly amendments. Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 35-0.

02/06/2017 – Signed by the Governor P.L.2017, c.3.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S902

Sponsors: Connors, C (R9)

Summary: "Breann's Law" requires health insurers, the State Health Benefits Program and NJ FamilyCare to provide "out of network" coverage for children with catastrophic illnesses.

Subjects: Children; Insurance-Health Insurance

Related: 2016:A999; 2014:A2238; 2014:S970; 2012:A2228; 2012:S1120; 2010:A2447; 2010:S1205; 2008:A3832; 2008:S2566

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/04/2016 – Senate Commerce Committee

History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S1055

Sponsors: Kyrillos (R13) +3

Summary: Restricts State and municipal government employee health plans to gold level and directs related savings to property tax relief.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Local Officers And Employees; State Government-Officers And Employees; Taxation-Property Tax

Related: 2014:S3323

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/08/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 02/08/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S1092

Sponsors: Bucco (R25) +1

Summary: Doubles amount of certain retirement income that may be excluded from gross income under gross income tax, eliminates income cap on exclusion.

Subjects: Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2016:A390; 2014:A1020; 2014:S1082; 2012:A2752; 2012:S1732
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/08/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 02/08/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S1285
Sponsors: Vitale (D19); Weinberg (D37); Cruz-Perez (D5) +1
Summary: "Out-of-network Consumer Protection, Transparency, Cost Containment and Accountability Act."
Subjects: Consumer Affairs-Consumer Protection; Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2016:A1952; 2016:S277; 2014:A4444; 2014:S20
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 06/20/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 02/08/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.
06/20/2016 – Transferred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S1371
Sponsors: Turner (D15)
Summary: Prohibits investment by State of pension and annuity funds in hedge funds and derivative contracts.
Subjects: Pensions; State Budget And Finance
Related: 2016:A748; 2014:A645; 2014:S1837; 2012:A2257; 2012:S1140; 2010:A654; 2010:S1315; 2008:A3910;
2008:S2769
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/11/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/11/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: S1378
Sponsors: Turner (D15)
Summary: Provides State Investment Council must report private money managers' fee information and that council's regulations addressing political contributions will apply to federal or national committees and non-State political committees.
Subjects: Elections-Campaign Finance; Ethics
Related: 2016:A459; 2014:A3772; 2014:S2430
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/11/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/11/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S1418
Sponsors: O'Toole (R40)
Summary: Provides exceptions to garnish exemption against benefits from State-administered pension systems for certain financial claims under State law.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:A3241; 2014:A2634; 2014:S1949; 2012:A4004; 2012:S2650
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/11/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/11/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S1499
Sponsors: Bucco (R25)
Summary: Makes various changes to civil service; permits institution of temporary layoffs; permits government entities to opt-out of civil service; requires civil service examinations be offered on continual basis.
Subjects: Civil Service; Labor

Related: 2016:A1216; 2014:A159; 2012:A895; 2010:A4192
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: S1516
Sponsors: Turner (D15)
Summary: Excludes certain contributions to deferred compensation plans and provides deduction for certain individual retirement savings under the gross income tax.
Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax
Related: 2014:A1616; 2014:S2028; 2012:A1937; 2010:A1823; 2008:A3958; 2008:S2761
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S1557
Sponsors: Beck (R11) +2
Summary: Provides full forfeiture of pension of elected or appointed official convicted of any crime touching office.
Subjects: Pensions
Related: 2016:A2119; 2016:A4377; 2014:A1612; 2014:S881; 2012:A1932; 2012:S590; 2010:A1815; 2010:S745; 2008:A3432; 2008:S2324
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/13/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
02/06/2017 – Motion Order Of The Day (Beck). Motion to table bill 20-13 (Weinberg).
02/13/2017 – Motion Relieve From Committee (Beck). Motion to table bill 20-15 (Weinberg).
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S1583
Sponsors: Beck (R11)
Summary: Provides civil service preference to military service members who did not serve in theater of operation but received campaign or expedition medal.
Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:A221; 2014:A3848; 2014:S2475
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Low

Bill: S1639
Sponsors: Beck (R11)
Summary: Makes various changes to interest arbitration procedures; repeals sunset provision.
Subjects: Labor; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Related: 2014:S1913
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/16/2016 – Senate Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 02/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: S1759
Sponsors: Beach (D6); Van Drew (D1); Cruz-Perez (D5)
Summary: Expands eligibility for veterans' civil service preference; creates additional preference benefits.
Subjects: Civil Service; Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:A1798; 2014:A1915; 2014:S2464; 2012:A1803; 2012:S1880; 2010:A1951; 2010:S507; 2008:A769; 2008:S1453; 2006:A1456; 2006:S1823; 2004:A3661
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 11/10/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 03/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
11/10/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S1774

Sponsors: Holzapfel (R10)

Summary: Eliminates remarriage prohibition for PFRS death benefits; provides retirement allowance to certain survivors of PFRS members.

Subjects: Domestic Relations-Marriage And Civil Unions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters

Related: 2016:A3204; 2014:A1174; 2014:S498; 2012:A373; 2012:S214; 2010:A1309; 2008:A1230; 2006:A1574; 2004:A3025

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/07/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 03/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S1782

Sponsors: Bucco (R25)

Summary: Allows certain members of PFRS to serve until age 70 upon approval by municipal governing body.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Public Safety-Firefighters

Related: 2014:S1569; 2012:S1714; 2010:S1271; 2008:A2646; 2008:S2037; 2006:A1547; 2004:A3953; 2004:S2653

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/07/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 03/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S1900

Sponsors: Whelan (D2)

Summary: Directs the Division of Taxation to produce instructional materials on the appropriate gross income tax treatment of certain deferred compensation plans.

Subjects: Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Related: 2016:A2530; 2014:A1513; 2012:A4367

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/10/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 03/10/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S1965

Sponsors: Turner (D15)

Summary: Establishes "Police Officer, Firefighter, Public School Teacher, Corrections Officer, and Sanitation Worker Home-buyer Assistance Act."; appropriates \$5 million.

Subjects: Education-Teachers And School Employees; Housing-Finance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A2048; 2014:A213; 2014:S1593; 2012:A1452; 2012:S1131; 2010:A1905; 2010:S1652; 2008:A793; 2008:S1269; 2006:A898; 2006:S1395; 2004:A785; 2004:S734; 2002:A2189; 2002:S948; 2000:S1777

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 03/14/2016 – Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee

History: 03/14/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Low

Bill: S2061 Sca (1R)

Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Allen (R7); Conaway (D7); Singleton (D7); Greenwald (D6); Taliaferro (D3); Quijano (D20); Benson (D14) +4

Summary: Increases accidental death benefit to 70% of final compensation for surviving children of SPRS or PFRS member; redefines child in SPRS.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters

Related: 2016:A3610

Progress: Pamphlet Law

Status: 08/18/2016 – Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor
History: 04/21/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
05/05/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
06/16/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
06/23/2016 – Passed in Senate 39-0. Received in Assembly w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/27/2016 – Substituted for A-3610 (1R). Passed in Assembly and sent to Governor 78-0-0.
08/18/2016 – Signed by the Governor P.L.2016, c.26.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2071
Sponsors: Bucco (R25)
Summary: Clarifies that handgun ammunition may be sold to retired law enforcement officers with certain identification.
Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons
Related: 2016:A3515; 2014:A2172; 2012:A4435
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 04/25/2016 – Senate Law and Public Safety Committee
History: 04/25/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2107 ScaAa (2R)
Sponsors: Sarlo (D36); Kean (R21) +3
Summary: Provides that PERS or PFRS member who continues to be volunteer firefighter or emergency services worker after retirement with employer from whom member retires has bona fide severance for compliance with State and federal law.
Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Public Safety-Firefighters
Related: 2016:A536; 2014:A4399
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 05/22/2017 – 2nd reading in the Assembly
History: 05/02/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
06/09/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.
06/23/2016 – Passed in Senate 39-0. Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee.
05/11/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
05/22/2017 – Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly (Tucker).
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2132
Sponsors: Van Drew (D1)
Summary: Requires State to pay its pension contributions on quarterly basis by August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1 of each year.
Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:A1884; 2014:A4605; 2014:S3100
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 05/02/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 05/02/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S2140
Sponsors: Beck (R11)
Summary: Limits payment to certain public employees for accumulated sick leave upon retirement; requires fine and reprimand or termination for violation of sick leave by public employee.
Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:A570; 2016:A4916; 2014:A174; 2014:S877; 2012:A128; 2012:S584; 2010:A557; 2010:S739; 2008:A3330; 2008:S680; 2006:A2887; 2004:S179; 2002:S1084; 2000:S1662
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 03/13/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 05/02/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
02/13/2017 – Motion Order Of The Day (Beck). Motion to table bill 21-13 (Weinberg).

03/13/2017 – Motion Relieve From Committee (Beck). Motion to table bill 20-14 (Weinberg).

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2144

Sponsors: Allen (R7)

Summary: Requires local units and agencies to extend family health coverage for six months to surviving spouse and dependents of public safety officers who had family medical coverage but did not die in the line of duty.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services; Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A319; 2014:A4062; 2014:S2851

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 05/02/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 05/02/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2174

Sponsors: Pennacchio (R26)

Summary: Increases gross income tax pension and retirement income exclusion over three years and removes income eligibility cap applicable to exclusion.

Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 05/16/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 05/16/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2327

Sponsors: Greenstein (D14); Allen (R7)

Summary: Increases accidental death benefit to 70 percent of compensation for surviving spouse or surviving children of PERS law enforcement, correction, and firefighter members; redefines child.

Subjects: Corrections; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A4447

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 07/29/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 06/06/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

07/14/2016 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

07/29/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed without recommendation.

Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2391

Sponsors: Scutari (D22)

Summary: Clarifies applicability of statutory presumption concerning alimony payor's retirement and alimony termination.

Subjects: Domestic Relations-Divorce, Alimony And Spousal Support

Related: 2016:A3947

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/20/2016 – Senate Judiciary Committee

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2407

Sponsors: Greenstein (D14)

Summary: "Thomas P. Canzanella Twenty First Century First Responders Protection Act"; concerns workers' compensation for public safety workers.

Subjects: Health-Emergency Medical Services; Labor-Workers Compensation; Public Safety-Emergency Management; Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A3087; 2014:A1347; 2014:S264; 2012:A1196; 2012:S1778; 2010:A1250; 2010:S1624; 2008:A1330; 2008:S569; 2006:A4622; 2006:S2996

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/23/2016 – Senate Labor Committee

History: 06/23/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Labor Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2411 ScaScaSa (3R)

Sponsors: Sarlo (D36); Oroho (R24)

Summary: Adjusts certain State taxes to support strengthened investments in public and private assets in this State.

Subjects: Taxation

Related: 2016:A11; 2016:A12

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 10/07/2016 – Substituted by another bill

History: 06/20/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

06/23/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

07/29/2016 – Recommitted to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee. Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

10/05/2016 – Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 22-8 (Sarlo).

10/07/2016 – Substituted by A-12 (2R).

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2426

Sponsors: Weinberg (D37)

Summary: Allows for sharing of family leave benefits between covered individuals under certain circumstances.

Subjects: Labor-Temporary Disability

Related: 2016:A3912

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/27/2016 – Senate Labor Committee

History: 06/27/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Labor Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2446

Sponsors: Van Drew (D1)

Summary: Provides public employee in State-administered retirement system who continues preexisting volunteer relationship with employer from whom employee retires has bona fide severance from employment for compliance with NJ and federal regulations.

Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A3223; 2014:A4648; 2014:S3310

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 06/30/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 06/30/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2554

Sponsors: Kyrillos (R13); Oroho (R24)

Summary: Sets level for health care benefits; requires employee contributions; prohibits reimbursement of Medicare Part B; adds member to SHBP/SEHBP plan design committees; requires retirees to purchase health care through exchanges.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A3905

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/06/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 09/26/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

02/06/2017 – Motion Order Of The Day (Kyrillos). Motion to table bill 19-13 (Weinberg).

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S2555

Sponsors: Kyrillos (R13); Oroho (R24)

Summary: Creates Public Employee Pension and Health Care Benefits Reform Task Force.

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Pensions-Public Employees; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A3906

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 09/26/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 09/26/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: High

Bill: S2602

Sponsors: Allen (R7)

Summary: Provides PFRS member in federal or State military service who is injured or killed with disability or death benefits.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Veterans And Military

Related: 2016:A4203; 2014:A1352; 2014:S1800; 2012:A2404; 2012:S1292; 2010:A1222; 2010:S1688; 2008:A1294; 2008:S1750; 2006:A970; 2006:S1201; 2004:A635; 2004:S621; 2002:A3345; 2002:S2478

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 09/29/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 09/29/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2654

Sponsors: Greenstein (D14); Cruz-Perez (D5)

Summary: Increases pension and retirement income exclusions under gross income tax for certain taxpayers.

Subjects: Pensions; Taxation-Personal Income Tax

Related: 2016:A754; 2014:A3366

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/07/2016 – Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

History: 10/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Monitor

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2762

Sponsors: Holzapfel (R10)

Summary: Allows retiree to change designated beneficiary after retirement in event of divorce.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 11/10/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 11/10/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2799

Sponsors: Cardinale (R39); Stack (D33)

Summary: Establishes housing expense reimbursements for families of certain public safety officers killed in line of duty.

Subjects: Public Safety-Police

Related: 2016:A4251

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 11/21/2016 – Senate Law and Public Safety Committee

History: 11/21/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee.

Position: Support

Priority: Medium

Bill: S2810

Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Kean (R21); Oroho (R24); Turner (D15); Prieto (D32); Rible (R30); Wimberly (D35); Lagana (D38); Dancer (R12); Schepisi (R39) +2

Summary: Requires State to pay its pension contributions on quarterly basis by September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30 of each year, beginning July 1, 2017.

Subjects: Judiciary-Judges; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers

Related: 2016:A4

Progress: Pamphlet Law

Status: 12/15/2016 – Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor

History: 11/14/2016 – Introduced, 1st reading w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Senate.
11/21/2016 – Passed in Senate 35-0. Received in Assembly w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Assembly.
Substituted for A-4. Emergency resolution 72-0-0 (Rible). Passed in Assembly and sent to Governor 72-0-0.

12/15/2016 – Signed by the Governor P.L.2016, c.83.

Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: S2842 Sca (1R)

Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Addiego (R8)

Summary: Provides for investment of State pension fund assets in certain debt obligations issued by New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority and New Jersey Infrastructure Bank.

Subjects: Pensions; Transportation-Planning, Finance And Economic Development

Related: 2016:A4388

Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading

Status: 12/15/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate

History: 12/05/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

12/15/2016 – Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.

Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: S2906

Sponsors: Rice (D28)

Summary: Requires external managers authorized to invest assets of State pension or annuity funds to have physical place of business within State.

Subjects: Banking And Finance; Pensions; Pensions-Public Employees

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/10/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/10/2017 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S2947

Sponsors: Beck (R11) +1

Summary: Limits certain unused sick leave pay and vacation leave carry-forward for public officers and employees.

Subjects: Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:A4919

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 01/30/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 01/30/2017 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S3040 Sa (1R)

Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Kean (R21); Prieto (D32); Sumter (D35); Schaer (D36); Greenwald (D6); Rible (R30); Dancer (R12) +6

Summary: Transfers management of PFRS to Board of Trustees of PFRS.

Subjects: Pensions-Police And Firefighters

Related: 2016:A99

Progress: Governor

Status: 05/08/2017 – Received in the Senate

History: 02/28/2017 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

03/06/2017 – Transferred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

03/13/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate 34-0 (Sweeney). Emergency resolution 37-0 (Kean). Passed in Senate 37-0.

03/16/2017 – Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

03/20/2017 – Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

03/23/2017 – Substituted for A-99. Motion to recommit to Assembly Appropriations Committee (Auth). Motion to table bill by voice vote (Greenwald). Passed in Assembly and sent to Governor 60-4-11.

05/08/2017 – Governor's conditional veto rcvd in Senate.

Position: Monitor
Priority: High

Bill: S3138

Sponsors: Gill (D34)

Summary: "New Jersey Public Option Health Care Act."

Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance
Related: 2016:A4211
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 05/08/2017 – Senate Commerce Committee
History: 05/08/2017 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Low

Bill: S3146
Sponsors: Bateman (R16)
Summary: Prohibits payment to public employees at retirement for certain unused sick leave, provides for forfeiture of payment for unused sick leave for certain criminal convictions, and requires documentation for use of sick leave.
Subjects: Labor-Wages And Benefits; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2016:A653; 2014:A158; 2012:A2495
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 05/08/2017 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee
History: 05/08/2017 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: S3298
Sponsors: Pennacchio (R26)
Summary: Eliminates age restrictions for issuing special permits to carry handgun to retired law enforcement officers.
Subjects: Public Safety-Police; Public Safety-Weapons
Progress: Proposed for introduction
Status: 06/01/2017 – Proposed for introduction
History: 06/01/2017 – Proposed for introduction.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: S3299
Sponsors: Sarlo (D36); Oroho (R24)
Summary: Requires health care providers, carriers, and employers to make certain disclosures regarding health care costs.
Subjects: Insurance-Health Insurance; Public Employees-Benefits
Progress: Proposed for introduction
Status: 06/01/2017 – Proposed for introduction
History: 06/01/2017 – Proposed for introduction.
Position: Support
Priority: Medium

Bill: SCR2
Sponsors: Sweeney (D3); Turner (D15); Greenstein (D14) +4
Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to require payments by State to State-administered retirement systems and establish in Constitution right of public employees to pension benefit; provides for enforcement of funding obligations and benefit rights.
Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Pensions-Police And Firefighters; Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Related: 2016:ACR109; 2014:ACR3; 2014:SCR184
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 03/18/2016 – 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 02/04/2016 – Introduced, 1st reading w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Senate.
03/18/2016 – Pension and Health Benefits Review Commission reviewed and recommended to not enact.
Position: Support
Priority: High

Bill: SCR99
Sponsors: Ruiz (D29); Gill (D34) +3
Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment authorizing Legislature to extend civil service hiring preference to veterans who did not serve in time of war.
Subjects: Civil Service; Constitutional Amendments; Legislature; Veterans And Military
Related: 2016:ACR15; 2014:ACR215; 2014:SCR183
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 05/02/2016 – Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee
History: 05/02/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: SCR123

Sponsors: Kyrillos (R13); Oroho (R24)

Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to authorize changes to pension and health care benefits of public employees and to require State to make annual pension payments in certain circumstances.

Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Pensions; Public Employees-Benefits

Related: 2016:ACR117; 2016:ACR190; 2016:ACR203

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 09/26/2016 – Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee

History: 09/26/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Medium

Bill: SJR26

Sponsors: Weinberg (D37)

Summary: Establishes a commission to study alimony law.

Subjects: Commissions; Domestic Relations-Divorce, Alimony And Spousal Support

Related: 2016:AJR73; 2014:AJR32; 2014:SJR11; 2014:SJR37; 2012:AJR32; 2012:SJR41

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/08/2016 – Senate Judiciary Committee

History: 02/08/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

Position: Monitor
Priority: Low

Bill: SR87

Sponsors: Greenstein (D14)

Summary: Urges U.S. Congress to enact legislation protecting employee and retiree retirement benefits.

Subjects: Federal Relations-Memorializations; Pensions

Related: 2016:AR73; 2014:AR182

Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee

Status: 10/07/2016 – Senate Commerce Committee

History: 10/07/2016 – Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.

Position: Support
Priority: High
