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Legislative Committee October 15, 2020

To all members of the Legislative Committee, there is a Senate Law & Public Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020 at 1:00 pm, however there is no bills set for this meeting as it is only a hearing for public utility companies for issues with responses to Tropical Storm Isaias. I reached out to the Aide for the Senator who is the Chairperson for this committee (Senator Greenstein's Aide) and I was advised that the agenda was approved already for this meeting and that no bills will be heard on Monday. I will keep everyone up to date on the status of future meetings as they become available.

There have been 98 new bills introduced this past week. The total number of our tracked bills stayed the same at 103, with 73 bills in Fire & Emergency Services and 30 in Pensions. The total number of bills introduced is at 8,496 bills for the new legislative session. The Governor has signed 109 bills into law most of which all have to do with the current state of emergency. There are currently twenty-five bills sitting on the Governor's Desk awaiting to be signed, none of which are any of our tracked bills.

There is a Senate and Assembly Quorum Call scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10:00 am for the Senate and 12:00 pm for the Assembly. There is a Senate and Assembly Voting session scheduled for Thursday, October 29, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Calendar Report**Monday, October 19, 2020****Assembly, Committees at Call of the Speaker; Quorum.***Senate Economic Growth Committee, Not Meeting.**Senate Judiciary Committee, Not Meeting.***Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee, 9:00a, remotely.****Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee, 9:15a, remotely.**

For discussion only: A-4402.

Senate, 10:00a Group 3 Committees; 12:00p Quorum; 1:00p Group 4 Committees.**Senate Environment and Energy Committee, 10:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 6, Annex.****Assembly State and Local Government Committee, 10:30a, remotely.****Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee, 11:00a, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex. (Revised 10/14/2020)****Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness Committee, 11:30a, remotely.**

The committee will hear testimony from Director Jared Maples of the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness regarding State plans to protect the integrity of the 2020 general election.

- A1106 Murphy (D7); Stanfield (R8); Schaer (D36)
Requires Director of Division of Fire Safety to promulgate regulations pertaining to training and duties of Junior Firefighter Auxiliary members.
Tracking: *Fire & Emergency Services — SU*
- S238 Singleton (D7); Sarlo (D36)
Revises law governing training and duties of Junior Firefighters' Auxiliary members.
Tracking: *Fire & Emergency Services — SU*

Senate Higher Education Committee, 12:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.**Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee, 12:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 6, Annex. (Revised 10/14/2020)**

The public hearing will be held in accordance with Article IX, paragraph 1 of the New Jersey Constitution and Rule 24:3 of the New Jersey Senate on SCR-96.

- S487 Sacco (D32); Stack (D33)
Enhances PFRS accidental death pension for surviving spouse by providing for minimum of \$50,000 annually.
Tracking: *Pensions — SU*

Assembly Telecommunications and Utilities Committee, 12:30p, remotely.

For discussion only: A-108

Senate Law and Public Safety Committee, 1:00p, 1st Floor, Committee Room 4, Annex.

The committee will hear from invited guests concerning issues currently confronting this State's utility companies, including their response to power outages resulting from Tropical Storm Isaias.

Assembly Women and Children Committee, 3:00p, remotely.

For discussion only: A-4747. The committee will hear testimony regarding childcare deserts, including how subsidy payments are determined, where childcare deserts are located in the State, and what steps and strategies may be implemented to reduce or eliminate childcare deserts in New Jersey.