

New Jersey State Exempt Firemen's Association

Legislative Report October 17, 2020

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NJ Legislature

Senate Committees – 19
Assembly Committees - 27

Chair Senate Law & Public Safety

Senator Linda R Greenstein

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Next session is scheduled for Monday 10/19 at 1 PM. This committee will hear from invited guests to discuss issues currently confronting this State's utility companies, including emergency response to power outages resulting from Tropical Storm Isaias.

Chair Homeland Security & State Preparedness

Assemblywoman Angela V. McKnight

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The September 21, 2020 meeting discussed various issues relating to police reform. The Fire Department and other emergency services were not discussed.

The following will also be discussed:

- A1106 Jr Firefighter Auxiliary members-promulgate reg pertaining to training / duties
- A1173 Residence w/special needs-established central registry for use during emergencies
- A2913 Community Emergency Response Team members-perform traffic duties
- S238 Jr Firefighter Auxiliary members-promulgate reg pertaining to training/duties

National Volunteer Fire Council

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has announced that the application period for the second round of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant COVID – 19 Supplemental (AFG-S) program will open Tuesday, October 6, at 8AM (EST). Volunteer and combination fire departments can apply for a grant to fund PPE and other necessary supplies.

Congressional Fire Service Institute

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A Senate resolution, SRes.723, passed the Senate unanimously, declaring September 2020 as Campus Fire Safety Month. The resolution was introduced by Senators Susan Collins and Tom Carper, co-chairs of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus.

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As per the report dated October 15, the total of all tracked bills are 103.

Fire & Emergency Services (73)
Pensions (30)

The Governor has signed 108 bills into law, most having to deal with our State of Emergency and COVID-19.

The total bills introduced are now at 8,496 bills for the new legislative session.

There is a Senate and Assembly Quorum Call scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10 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

Attached Reports:

NJ Legislative A1173
NJ Legislative A1106
NJ Legislative A2913
NJ Legislative S238
New Jersey Legislative Calendar (10/09/2020)
New Jersey Legislative Digest (10/08/2020)
New Jersey Legislative Date of Action Report (10/08/2020)
NJ State Firemen’s Association Legislative Committee Report (10/15/2020)