

2021 BILLS RELATED TO THE FIRE SERVICE UPDATED 1/2/22

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| NYS FIRE SERVICE ALLIANCE 2021 ISSUES OF UNITED CONCERN | | | | | |
| S864 GAUGHRAN | A968 THIELE | 1/21/21 PASSED SENATE 1/14/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY <i>CHAPTER AMENDMENTS</i> | RELATES TO THE NEW YORK STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION TASK FORCE, CHAPTER AMENDMENTS. THIS BILL MAKES TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMBERSHIP AND MISSION OF THE TASK FORCE | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 1/28/21 CHAPTER 7 |
| S1210 KAMINSKY | A6401 THIELE | 5/20/21 PASSED SENATE 6/3/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | <u>LOSAP AMENDMENT</u> THIS BILL RECOGNIZES THAT NOT EVERY EMERGENCY CALL REQUIRES ALL VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS TO BE DISPATCHED. THE CURRENT LOSAP POINT SYSTEM DOES NOT REFLECT THE COMPLEXITY OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROTOCOLS, WHICH ONLY RESULTS IN MORE EMERGENCY VEHICLES ON OUR STREETS AND REPRESENTS A LESS EFFICIENT SYSTEM. UPDATING THE LAW FROM USING A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS THE DEPARTMENT WAS DISPATCHED TO IN CALCULATING LOSAP POINTS, TO THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS AN INDIVIDUAL WAS DISPATCHED TO WILL CREATE A MORE EQUITABLE AND EFFICIENT SYSTEM. FOR EXAMPLE, DUTY CREWS OR SLEEP INS. | Y | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 10/08/21 CHAPTER 462 |
| S1318A GAUGHRAN | A1324A MAGNARELLI | 6/3/21 PASSED SENATE 6/2/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | <u>CHANGES TO VFBL</u> PROVIDES TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$650 WEEKLY FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2021 . <i>DESPITE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS, INJURIES ARE STILL A PART OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE SERVICE. SOMETIMES THE INJURIES ARE SEVERE - CAUSING TEMPORARY OR TOTAL PERMANENT DISABILITIES. THE WEEKLY BENEFIT UNDER VFBL AND VAWBL FOR SUCH INJURIES HAS NOT BEEN UPDATED IN OVER TEN YEARS. IT IS TIME TO UPDATE THESE BENEFITS.</i> | Y | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 10/29/21 CHAPTER 523 |
| S7186 BROOKS | A534A JONES | 3/16/21 PASSED SENATE 6/8/21 SENT TO WAYS & MEANS COMM | <u>EMS COST RECOVERY FOR FIRE DEPARTMENTS</u> PROVIDES THAT AUTHORITIES HAVING CONTROL OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT OR FIRE COMPANY WHICH PROVIDES EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MAY ESTABLISH FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES. | Y | GRASS ROOTS EFFORT FOR 2022! |
| S4630B KAMINSKY | A5418B ENGBRIGHT | 6/8/21 PASSED SENATE 6/10/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | <u>THE FAMILY & FIREFIGHTER PROTECTION ACT</u> BEGINNING DECEMBER 31, 2023, THIS BILL PROHIBITS THE SALE OF MATTRESSES, OR UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE THAT CONTAIN INTENTIONALLY ADDED IDENTIFIED FLAME RETARDANT CHEMICALS TO INDIVIDUALS OR HOUSEHOLDS FOR PERSONAL USE IN RESIDENTIAL | Y | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR |

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| | | | SPACE. AS OF JANUARY 1, 2024, NO PERSON OFFERS FOR SALE AN ELECTRONIC DISPLAY THAT CONTAINS INTENTIONALLY ADDED ORGANOHALOGEN FLAME RETARDANTS. SECTION 2 RELATES TO PENALTIES RELATED TO THE SALE OF SAID ITEMS. (MA, ME & CA has passed and signed a similar bill) | | CHAPTER 829 ON 12/31/21 |
| | | SEE THE CODE SECTION SEVERAL BILLS INTRODUCED | STRENGTHENING CODE ENFORCEMENT ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY PERSONNEL – WOULD ALLOW FOR LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS ON BUILDING OWNERS WHO PERFORM MODIFICATIONS OR CONVERSIONS WITHOUT OBTAINING THE PRESCRIBED PERMITS FOR SINGLE OR MULTI-FAMILY OCCUPANCIES. | Y |  |
| TWO CHAMBER BILLS | | | | | |
| S7560 ORTT | A3783 NORRIS | 12/3/21 SENATE RULES COMM 1/28/21 ASSM WAYS AND MEANS | THIS ACT SHALL ESTABLISH THE NEW YORK STATE VOLUNTEER FIRE PROTECTION REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT. FIRST, THIS LEGISLATION WOULD DIVERT MONIES COLLECTED FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SURCHARGE THAT ARE CURRENTLY DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND INTO A NEWLY CREATED FUND KNOWN AS THE NEW YORK STATE VOLUNTEER FIRE PROTECTION REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT. SECOND, THE ACCOUNT WILL BE USED TO REIMBURSE VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENTS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR EXPENSES INCURRED RELATED TO PROCURING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO: FACE SHIELDS, EYE PROTECTION, ISOLATION GOWNS, FACE MASKS, RESPIRATORS, AND TURNOUT GEAR. LASTLY, MONIES COLLECTED AND DEPOSITED INTO THE ACCOUNT MAY BE USED TO REIMBURSE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR LOST REVENUE DUE TO EITHER MUNICIPAL BUDGET CUTS OR THE CANCELLATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS SUCH AS FUNDRAISERS OR CHARITY EVENTS. <i>[This takes funding from County 911 centers and spreads it out for other purposes]</i> | N | MONITOR |
| S670 SANDERS | A8289 FAHY (New Sponsor) | 5/18/21 SEN FINANCE COMM 10/6/21 ASSM BANKS COMM) | ALLOWS CREDIT UNIONS, SAVINGS BANKS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND FEDERAL SAVINGS ASSOCIATIONS TO ACCEPT AND SECURE DEPOSITS FROM MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS | N | SUPPORT |
| S1295 GOUNARDES | A980 ABBATE | 2/16/21 SIGNED CHAPTER 30 2/2/21 PASSED SENATE 1/25/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY CHAPTER AMENDMENT | REQUIRES PUBLIC EMPLOYERS TO ADOPT A PLAN FOR OPERATIONS IN THE EVENT OF A DECLARED STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY INVOLVING A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE THE PURPOSE OF THIS BILL IS TO AMEND CHAPTER 168 OF THE LAWS | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR |

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| | | | OF 2020 TO REMOVE CONTRACTORS FROM THE SCOPE OF SUCH LEGISLATION AND TO CLARIFY THE TIMELINE FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYERS TO PUBLISH AND FINALIZE THEIR PLANS FOR OPERATIONS IN THE EVENT OF A DECLARED STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY INVOLVING A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE. | | |
| S6445A REICHLIN- MELNICK | A7694A LUNSFORD | 6/8/21 PASSED SENATE 6/10/21 PASSES ASSEMBLY | TO ALLEVIATE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ASSOCIATED WITH PROPERTY TAXES, THE STATE ESTABLISHED THE "COUNTY-WIDE SHARED SERVICES INITIATIVE" IN THE 2018-19 BUDGET. ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE "THE PANEL WILL DEVELOP A COUNTY-WIDE SHARED SERVICE PROPERTY TAX SAVINGS PLAN TO IDENTIFY, PROPOSE AND IMPLEMENT NEW ACTIONS TO SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY THROUGH SHARED, COORDINATED AND MORE EFFICIENT SERVICES BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE COUNTY." | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR |
| S1209 KAMINSKY | A4979 GRIFFIN | 3/1/21 PASSED SENATE 6/1/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | CHANGES THE DATE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS THE CONTENTS OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF FIRE, FIRE ALARM, AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS, TO BE HELD ON THE THIRD WEEK OF OCTOBER. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR |
| S4064 GAUGHRAN | A6296 GRIFFIN | 3/17/21 PASSED SENATE 6/1/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | AT THE CURRENT RATES, MOST INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK FIRE DISTRICT ELECTIONS DO NOT EVEN MAKE MINIMUM WAGE. THIS LEGISLATION WOULD GIVE THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS THE ABILITY TO PAY A MAXIMUM OF \$70 OR \$100, DEPENDING ON THE LENGTH OF TIME WORKED. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR |
| S1091A GAUGHRAN | A2239A STERN | 4/28/21 PASSED SENATE 5/24/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | INCREASES THE NUMBER OF YEARS OF SERVICE THAT A PARTICIPANT IN A DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN OR DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM MAY RECEIVE A CONTRIBUTION FROM 40 TO 50 YEARS | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 8/20/21 |
| S1210 KAMINSKY | A6401 THIELE | 5/20/21 PASSED SENATE 6/3/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | SECTION 1 AMENDS GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW BY ADDING A NEW SUBPARAGRAPH (Q) TO ADDRESS DEVELOPMENTS IN HOW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS RESPOND TO EMERGENCIES BY ALLOWING PROGRAMS TO CALCULATE PERCENTAGES BASED ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS AN INDIVIDUAL WAS DISPATCHED. UPDATING THE LAW FROM USING A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS THE DEPARTMENT WAS DISPATCHED TO IN CALCULATING LOSAP POINTS, TO THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS AN INDIVIDUAL WAS DISPATCHED TO WILL CREATE A MORE EQUITABLE AND EFFICIENT SYSTEM. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 1/1/8/21 |

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| S1150A KAPLAN | A1228A PAULIN | 6/8/21 PASSED SENATE 5/4/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | AMENDS THE PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW TO REQUIRE DOCUMENTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT OPEN MEETINGS BE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST OR POSTED ON THE PUBLIC BODY'S WEBSITE AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO SUCH OPEN MEETING. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON 10/19/21 |
| S4615A KAPLAN | A5402A SOLAGES | 5/25/21 PASSED SENATE 6/9/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | PROHIBITS THE SELLING OR DISPLAYING OF SYMBOLS OF HATE BY MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, FIRE DISTRICTS, VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES, POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS [SUPPORT BUT RUN THE RISK THAT IT CAN BE ARBITRARILY APPLIED ESPECIALLY IN TODAYS CANCEL CULTURE] | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON 11/2/21 CHAPTER 554 |
| S4562 BROOKS | A6767A WOERNER | 6/9/21 PASSED SENATE 6/3/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | AMENDS § 61 OF THE VFBL TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION OF COVERAGE FOR VASCULAR RUPTURE WHERE SUCH RUPTURE RESULTS IN THE DEATH OR DISABILITY OF A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER, THE DISABILITY OR DEATH AROSE FROM THE DUTIES AND ACTIVITIES OF A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON 12/21/21 CHAPTER 680 |
| S4233A GOUNARDES | A6461A ABBATE | 5/26/21 PASSED SENATE 6/7/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR THE PRESUMPTION OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE FOR PAID FIREFIGHTERS | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON 12/21/21 CHAPTER 704 |
| S4071A KENNEDY | A96A GUNTHER | 6/2/21 PASSED SENATE 5/24/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | DESIGNATES HUMAN ORGAN DELIVERY VEHICLES AS AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES | N | SENT FOR SIGNATURE 10/13/21 |
| S4704A KAPLAN | A1108A PAULIN | 6/9/21 PASSED SENATE 5/4/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | REQUIRES THAT MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF A PUBLIC BODY BE POSTED ON ITS WEBSITE <u>IF</u> THE AGENCY IN WHICH A PUBLIC BODY FUNCTIONS MAINTAINS A REGULARLY AND ROUTINELY UPDATED WEBSITE AND UTILIZES A HIGH-SPEED INTERNET CONNECTION AMENDED TO REQUIRES THAT MINUTES TAKEN AT A MEETING OF A PUBLIC BODY BE POSTED ON THE AGENCY'S WEBSITE WITHIN TWO WEEKS FROM AN OPEN MEETING AND ONE WEEK FROM AN EXECUTIVE SESSION. [SOME FIRE DISTRICTS DON'T HAVE THE STAFFING OR HAVE THE EXPERTISE, NOT ALL DISTRICTS HAVE MILLION DOLLAR BUDGETS] | N | SIGN BY THE GOVERNOR 11/8/21 CHAPTER 587 |
| S3503C HINCHEY | A1561C SANTABARBARA | 6/1/21 PASSED SENATE 6/2/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | AUTHORIZES THE OFFICE OF FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL TO ESTABLISH THE NEW YORK STATE RURAL AMBULANCE SERVICES TASK FORCE | N | SENT FOR SIGNATURE on 12/10/21 |
| S1270 BROOKS | A5565 JEAN PIERRE | 6/3/21 PASSED SENATE 5/10/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | NO NEW VESSEL THAT HAS AN ENCLOSED ACCOMMODATION COMPARTMENT OR A VESSEL THAT UNDERGOES SUBSTANTIAL | N | 12/29/21 VETO |

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| | | | RENOVATIONS MAY BE SOLD OR OFFERED FOR SALE UNLESS SUCH VESSEL IS EQUIPPED WITH A NEW FUNCTIONING MARINE CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTION SYSTEM. | | MEMO 71 | |
| S7359 BROOKS | A8100 McMAHON | 9/3/21 SEN REFERRED TO RULES 6/11/21 ASSM LOCAL GOVT COMM | CURRENT LAWS PROHIBIT FIRE DEPARTMENT YOUTH PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS FROM OBSERVING AN ACTIVE EMERGENCY. THIS BILL WILL ALLOW OBSERVATION OF AN ACTIVE EMERGENCY WITH STIPULATIONS THAT WILL BE REGULATED BY THE CHIEF, WHICH WILL INCLUDE SAFE AREAS FOR THE VOLUNTEER TO OBSERVE AND STILL ALLOW FOR A LEARNING EXPERIENCE. IN ADDITION, THIS BILL ALSO SOLVES THE SIGNIFICANT AND OVERLOOKED ISSUE OF DRILL TEAM MEMBERS (MANY OF WHOM ARE UNDER 17) INJURED WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES RELATED TO DRILL TEAM COMPETITIONS. | N | SUPPORT | |
| S7261 HOULMAN | A8155 PAULIN | INTRODUCED AFTER END OF SESSION 6/25/21 SEN RULES COMM 7/7/21 ASSM GOVTL OPS COMM | AN ACT TO AMEND THE PUBLIC OFFICER'S LAW, IN RELATION TO VIDEO CONFERENCING AT PUBLIC MEETINGS AND REQUIRING THAT THE MINUTES OF A PUBLIC MEETING AT WHICH VIDEOCONFERENCING IS USED REFLECT SUCH FACT. PURPOSE: TO ALLOW PUBLIC BODIES THE FLEXIBILITY OF CONTINUING TO HOLD VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON/VIRTUAL HYBRID MEETINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF NEW YORK'S OPEN MEETINGS LAW | N | MONITOR | |
| SENATE ONLY BILLS | | | | | | |
| S7558 JORDAN | NO SAME AS | 12/01/21 SEN FINANCE COMM | ESTABLISHES THE FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROGRAM AND THE FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION FUND; MAKES AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR. | N | MONITOR | |
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| NO SAME AS | A5991 PICHARDO | 9/15/21 ENACTING CLAUSE STRICKEN (BILL IS CONSIDERED DEAD UNLESS ANOTHER ASSEMBLY SPONSOR) | TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR TAXPAYERS RECEIVE THE COST SAVINGS BENEFITS OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING BY PROVIDING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITH COMPTROLLER'S OPINIONS ON SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT ACTIONS AND BY HOLDING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS ACCOUNTABLE FOR COMPLYING WITH THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING LAW. | N | MONITOR |
| HARMFUL BILLS | | | | | |
| NO SAME AS | A5991 PICHARDO | 9/15/21 ENACTING CLAUSE STRICKEN (BILL IS CONSIDERED DEAD UNLESS ANOTHER LEGISLATOR SPONSORS) | TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR TAXPAYERS RECEIVE THE COST SAVINGS BENEFITS OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING BY PROVIDING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITH COMPTROLLER'S OPINIONS ON SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT ACTIONS AND BY HOLDING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS ACCOUNTABLE FOR COMPLYING WITH THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING LAW. AUTHORIZES THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ENJOIN AN ILLEGAL PROCUREMENT ACTION, ALLOWS A GOOD FAITH BIDDER WHO SHOULD HAVE WON A CONTRACT TO SUE FOR DAMAGES, ESTABLISHES A CIVIL PENALTY FOR A WILLFUL AND INTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF THE LAW, AND SETS A FEE FOR INITIATING A COMPTROLLER'S OPINION. [THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE PROBLEM IS DEMONSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT MANY OF OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED AUDITS HAVE REPEATEDLY DISCLOSED INSTANCES WHERE ITEMS SHOULD HAVE BEEN COMPETITIVELY BID BUT WERE NOT.] READ THE COMPLETE JUSTIFICATION HERE: http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/navigate.cgi?NVDTO: | N | UNFUNDED MANDATE |
| S2891A GOUNARDES | A4784A ABBATE | 3/17/21 AMEND & RECOMMIT TO CIVIL SERVICE & PENSIONS 4/7/21 ASSM AMENDED AND RECOMMITTED TO GOVTL OPS COMM | WOULD AMEND CIVIL SERVICE LAW §75 [THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINARY HEARING STATUTE] TO REQUIRE THAT THE CASE BE HEARD BY A NEUTRAL ARBITRATOR, THAT BOTH THE GOVERNING BOARD AND THE ACCUSED EMPLOYEE HAVE A SAY IN THE SELECTION OF AND WHO MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. IN ADDITION, THE ABILITY TO SUSPEND WITHOUT PAY PENDING THE HEARING IS SEVERELY LIMITED. [THIS IS A BILL THAT SHOULD BE OPPOSED BY ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS BECAUSE OF THE COSTS IT ADDS TO THE EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE PROCESS.] | N | UNFUNDED MANDATE |
| NO SAME AS | A5279 ABINANTI | 2/12/21 ASSM LOCAL GOVT COMM | REQUIRES THE ELECTION OF FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DATE AND SAME LOCATION AS ELECTION OF | N | OPPOSE |

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| | | | SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS. <i>[NOTE THAT SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS ARE HELD IN MAY AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND FIRE DISTRICTS ARE NOT CONTIGUOUS GOING TO CAUSE MORE CONFUSION AND HAS THE POTENTIAL TO FURTHER POLITICIZE FIRE DISTRICT ELECTIONS]</i> | | |
| NO SAME AS | A5590 BRABENEC | 2/22/21 ASSM LOCAL GOVT COMM | CHANGES THE DATE FIRE DISTRICT VOTES TAKE PLACE; GIVES THE LOCAL BOARD OF ELECTIONS CONTROL OVER FIRE DISTRICT ELECTIONS. THIS BILL WOULD CHANGE THE ANNUAL ELECTION <u>IN CERTAIN FIRE DISTRICTS</u> TO THE FIRST TUESDAY NEXT SUCCEEDING THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER. | N | OPPOSE |
| NO BILL | NO BILL | | THIS AMENDMENT REALLOCATES ONE PERCENT OF AMOUNT REMAINING AFTER THE SUPERINTENDENT DEDUCTS THE EXPENSES OF COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION FROM THE AMOUNT THAT HE OR SHE RECEIVED FROM THE FIRE INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX PURSUANT TO INSURANCE LAW SECTIONS 9104 AND 9105 TO THE NEW YORK STATE PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION INSTEAD OF THE FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. | N | OPPOSE |
| NO BILL | NO BILL | | RELATES TO REQUIRING ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR FIRE DISTRICT ELECTIONS. | N | OPPOSE |
| NO SAME AS | A5279 ABINANTI | 2/12/21 ASSM LOCAL GOVT | REQUIRES THE ELECTION OF FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DATE AND AT THE SAME LOCATION AS ELECTIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS. | N | OPPOSE |
| BUILDING AND FIRE CODE RELATED BILLS | | | | | |
| S6843a KAVANAGH | A8431 GALLAGHER | 10/2921 SENATE HOUSING, CONSTRUCTION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 11/1/21 ASSM GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS | TOTAL ELECTRIC BUILDING MANDATE THIS BILL WOULD PROHIBIT THE ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT IN NEW YORK STATE FOR ANY COMMERCIAL, RESIDENTIAL OR MIXED-USE BUILDING FOR WHICH AN INITIAL PERMIT APPLICATION WAS SUBMITTED AFTER 12/31/23 UNLESS THE BUILDING WAS AN "ALL-ELECTRIC BUILDING," MEANING THAT ALL SPACE CONDITIONING, WATER HEATING AND APPLIANCES WERE ELECTRIC-POWERED, AND THAT ELECTRICITY WAS "THE SOLE SOURCE OF ENERGY" FOR SUCH PURPOSES. THE BILL ALLOWS EXEMPTIONS WHERE THIS MANDATE IS SHOWN TO BE "PHYSICALLY OR TECHNICALLY INFEASIBLE," HOWEVER "FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS SHALL NOT BE A SUFFICIENT BASIS TO DETERMINE PHYSICAL OR TECHNICAL INFEASIBILITY." [IMAGINE HEATING APPARATUS ENGINE BAYS WITH ELECTRIC HEAT, INFEASEABLE AND COSTLY, IF THIS BILL PASSES FDS SHOULD MAKE THE PUSH FOR NON-DEMAND ELECTRIC BILLING] | N | OPPOSE |

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| S3705 COMRIE | A4480 RODRIGUEZ | 1/30/21 SEN HOUSING, CONST & COMM DEVELOPMENT COMM 12/10/21 ENACTING CLAUSE STRICKEN | This subdivision requires that all temporary and permanent dwellings in the state shall have installed an operable combustible gas detector that wirelessly connects to the gas company. Gas companies will release an annual report of the frequency of gas leaks by county. [DIFFICULT TO ENFORCE, WILL HAVE TO DEVELOP THE PRODUCT FOR HOME USE USING WIRELESS CONNECTION, COSTS WILL BE PASSED ON TO CONSUMERS FROM THE GAS COMPANIES. TO WHAT END?] | | |
| S4547A HARCKHAM | NO SAME AS | 12/8/21 AMEND & RECOMMIT TO LOCAL GOVT COMM. | THE BILL DIRECTS LOCALITIES TO ADOPT LOCAL ADU ORDINANCES THAT: *ALLOW ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (ADUS) ON LOTS ZONED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE AND LOTS WHERE A RESIDENTIAL USE EXISTS; *PERMIT AT LEAST 1 ADU PER LOT; *ALLOW HOMEOWNERS TO BUILD ADUS AS-OF-RIGHT, AND PROVIDE THAT A PERMIT APPLICATION MUST BE APPROVED OR DENIED WITHIN 60 DAYS; *PROVIDE THAT ADUS CAN BE RENTED SEPARATELY FROM THE PRIMARY-RESIDENCE BUT CANNOT BE SEPARATELY SOLD; *REQUIRE THAT ADUS ARE RENTED FOR A TERM NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS; AND *ESTABLISH THAT ONLY HOMEOWNERS THAT OCCUPY A UNIT IN THE PRIMARY DWELLING MAY CREATE AN ADU, AND THAT THE HOMEOWNER MUST CONTINUE TO OCCUPY THE PRIMARY DWELLING FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR AFTER CREATING AN ADU. THE BILL PROVIDES THAT RENTS IN ADUS CAN ONLY INCREASE BY 3%, OR 1.5 TIMES THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, PER YEAR. | N | MONITOR |
| S1383 BROOKS | A711 WALLACE | 5/20/21 PASSED SENATE 5/24/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | REQUIRES A HOMEOWNER BE PROVIDED A COST ESTIMATE FOR INSTALLATION OF A FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 11/3/21 CHAPTER 567 |
| S391 KAMINSKY | A443 PAULIN | 3/11/21 PASSED SENATE 5/12/21 PASSED ASSEMBLY | RELATES TO REQUIRING LOCAL BUILDING AND PLANNING REGULATIONS TO ACCOMMODATE THE USE OF CERTAIN RENEWABLE AND ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES. TO PROMOTE THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES BY ENCOURAGING TOWNS AND VILLAGES TO CONSIDER CERTAIN ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES WHEN DESIGNING ZONING AND PLANNING REGULATIONS. | N | SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR 10/8/21 CHAPTER 459 |
| OTHER BILLS OF INTEREST | | | | | |
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1. Any Assembly bill introduced in the regular legislative session of the first year of the term of the Assembly shall be deemed to be reintroduced for the second year of such term, provided such bill was:
 - a. not reported from a standing committee;
 - b. reported and referred;
 - c. recommitted to a standing committee; or
 - d. referred back to a standing committee by the Committee on Rules immediately prior to adjournment sine die.
2. Any Assembly bill introduced in the first year of the term of the Assembly, shall be deemed to be reintroduced for the second year of such term and referred to the committee where the bill was last referred, except that: (i) any bill that was last referred to the Committee on Rules shall be referred to the committee that reported the bill to the Committee on Rules; (ii) any bill that was on order of third reading shall be ordered to the order of third reading; (iii) any bill that was passed by the Assembly and did not become law, was not vetoed, or was substituted by a Senate bill which did not become law or was not vetoed, shall be ordered to the order of third reading, and further provided that:
 - a. any such bill which in such first year required a fiscal note as required by section 50 of the Legislative Law or home rule message for passage shall be referred to the committee to which such bill was originally referred;
 - b. upon request of the introducer or the chairperson of the committee to which such bill was originally referred, such bill shall be committed to the committee to which it was originally referred provided, however, such request may not be made later than the second Wednesday following the commencement of the second year of the term of the Assembly;
 - c. any such bill making an appropriation of money which was not referred to a committee pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, shall be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means; and
 - d. upon the request of the chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, any bill not referred to a committee pursuant to subparagraph (a) or (b) of this paragraph, which in such first year was reported and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to section six of Rule IV shall be committed to the Committee on Ways and Means provided, however, such request may not be made later than the second Wednesday following the commencement of the second year of the term of the Assembly.