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Honorable Carl Heastie
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Dear Speaker Heastie,

I am pleased to submit the 2017 Annual Report for the Assembly's Standing Committee on Governmental Employees.

My priority as Chairman of the Governmental Employees Committee has been to support legislation that provides benefits and improves the working conditions for our state, county and city workforces while ensuring that such legislation is fiscally responsible to the taxpayers of New York.

The Committee has had several accomplishments during the 2017 Legislative session year during which several significant pieces of legislation, highlighting my priorities as chair, were chaptered. Most notably was the passage and enactment of Chapter 273 of the Laws of 2017 which honors the brave volunteers, officers and employees of the state who assisted at World Trade Center during September 11 and are battling long-term illnesses by providing them with line of duty sick leave so that they may undergo medical treatment for their illnesses. The Committee has also advanced legislation demonstrating its commitment toward helping the families of deceased police officers and firefighters. For example, Chapter 73 of the Laws of 2017 raises the special accidental death benefits paid to the beneficiaries of fallen firefighters and police officers who died in the line of duty.

During the 2017 legislative year, the Committee reported A.1105-B, which was signed into law. This law will help veterans obtain employment in New York by waiving the application fees for civil service exams for those who were honorably discharged or discharged under honorable circumstances.

In addition, the Committee has continued to work closely with public employee organizations on legislation strengthening the rights of state employees, such as Chapter 70 of 2017, which ensures employees are able to petition the New York State Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) to receive injunctive relief for a labor dispute.

This is a small sampling of the legislation the Committee has reported this year, highlighting its commitment to the working men and women in our state and the veterans who put their lives on the line. This annual report provides greater details on the Committee's accomplishments and reports on the various legislative proposals considered by the Committee this year.

I would like to thank the Committee members and staff for all their hard work and dedication to our state's public employees. Additionally, I would like to thank the public employee unions and their representatives and the many government officials who helped make this year a successful one. I look forward to continuing to serve as the Committee chair.

I also thank you for your guidance and support, which were vital to the accomplishments of the committee during the 2017 Legislative Session.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter J. Abbate Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'P'.

Peter J. Abbate, Jr.
Member of Assembly

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COMMITTEE SUMMARY

The New York State Assembly Standing Committee on Governmental Employees oversees legislation and issues concerning the civil service law, and the public pension and retirement systems. Throughout the 2017 Legislative Session, the Committee strived to protect the rights and provide basic workplace protections to all employees and officers across the State of New York. In order to complete our mission, we have worked earnestly to pass legislation that relates to transfers and layoffs, fair and equal compensation, disciplinary and hearing proceedings, civil service examinations and appointments, disability and retirement benefits for uniformed employees, the right to organize collective bargaining units, and the ratification of collective bargaining agreements. This Committee has also reviewed legislation altering pension and disability benefits and eligibility for such benefits for certain members of the public pension and retirement systems. Through our work, the Committee seeks to enhance the governing structure of pension systems as well as maintain their sustainability.

Additionally, the Committee on Governmental Employees is responsible for the mandate of legislative initiatives protecting the individuals our communities rely on the most; our public safety personnel. Our police, fire, sanitation, emergency medical technician, and corrections workers risk their lives to protect our citizens and maintain the much-needed services New Yorkers rely on every day. In recognition of their ultimate sacrifice, our Committee has advanced legislation that aims to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the law enforcement, public safety and security organizations located within New York State.

During the 2017 Legislative Session, a total of 255 legislative proposals were referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees. The Committee reported 87 bills. Of those proposals, 47 passed both Houses. Of those, 27 were chaptered and 20 were vetoed.

2017 CHAPTERS

Listed below is legislation amending the civil service, general municipal, and retirement and social and security laws signed into law.

A.4542 (Abbate) / S.4067 (Amedore) – Chapter 8

This law implements the terms of a collective bargaining agreement between the state and the NYS Public Employees Federation, which represent the members of the professional, scientific and technical services (PS&T) collective bargaining unit. The law also establishes annual salary increases for the covered members of the PS&T unit.

A.2384 (Abbate) / S.4759 (Golden) – Chapter 48

This law provides employers participating in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System and the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System with a tailored graded contribution rate when amortizing a portion of their contributions into their respective systems.

A.6516 (Abbate) / S.5257 (Golden) – Chapter 63

This law extends, from July 1, 2017, to July 1, 2019, certain provisions of the law that provide compulsory arbitration for the resolution of labor impasses during collective bargaining negotiations among the Metropolitan Transit Authority, the New York City Transit Authority, or the Tri-borough Bridge and Tunnel Authority and their recognized employee organizations.

A.7964 (Abbate) / S.6477 (Golden) – Chapter 70

This law extends the procedural provisions to allow a public employee to petition before the New York State Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) to receive injunctive relief while awaiting an improper practice charge to be determined.

A.7988 (Abbate) / S.5821 (Golden) – Chapter 71

This law extends to June 30, 2018, the current 7 percent statutory rate of interest used by the Chief Actuary to determine employers' contributions into New York City pension funds and the retirement systems.

A.6286-A (Joyner) / S.4588-A (Golden) – Chapter 76

This law increases the special accidental death benefits paid to widows or widowers, or children under 18, of deceased firefighters or police officers by 3 percent.

A.7901-A (Abbate) / S.6398-A – Chapter 273

This law provides unlimited line of duty sick leave to employees and officers of the state, public authority or Municipal Corporation located outside of New York City and participated in World Trade Center (WTC) rescue, recovery, or cleanup operations and subsequently developed a qualifying WTC condition.

A.6604 (Abbate) / S.5135-A (Savino) – Chapter 292

This law eliminates the one year notice requirement, prior to withdrawing contributions, for members of the New York State Teachers' Retirement System who seek to transfer to another retirement system. It also eliminates the requirement that members acquire three years of service in the second system before receiving their full benefit allowance.

A.8093 (Abbate) / S.6391 (Golden) – Chapter 303

This law places a limit on the maximum loan amount certain members of the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement systems and the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement Systems may borrow against retirement contributions.

A.8092 (Abbate) / S.5256-A (Golden) – Chapter 368

This law standardizes the reporting period used to calculate the overtime ceiling for Tier V and VI members of the New York state and local employees' retirement system and New York State teachers' retirement system. The reporting period shall be based on a calendar year instead of fiscal.

A.1105-B (Hunter) / S.946-A (Crocì) – Chapter 404

This law authorizes the State Civil Service Department to waive the application fees of civil service examinations for original appointments for candidates who were honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from service in the armed forces.

A.834-B (Gunther) / S.3567-B (Hannon) – Chapter 409

This law requires the President of the Civil Service Commission to conduct a study on the job title of nurse practitioner and publish a report by July 1, 2018. Once the study is complete, the president shall use the information obtained to determine whether a reclassification of the job title of nurse practitioners would be appropriate.

A.6403 (Abbate) / S.4622 (Golden) – Chapter 432

This law extends the filing deadline from two years to five years for disability benefits for active and retired firefighters who are enrolled in the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System and are filing to receive disability benefits for certain cancer illnesses.

A.7634-A (Rozić) / S.5811-A (Squadron) – Chapter 439

This law directs the President of the Civil Service Commission, in coordination with the Office of Information and Technology Services, to prepare a biennial report analyzing the programs within each state agency that provides alternative work schedules and flexible work hours to state employees. The report shall be submitted on or before September 1, 2018, to the Speaker of the Assembly, the Temporary President of the Senate, and both minority leaders of the Senate and Assembly

A.7185-A (DenDekker)/ S.5484-A (Golden) – Chapter 457

This law clarifies which beneficiaries of New York City sanitation workers are eligible to receive pension benefits. This law also provides a special accidental death benefit to the beneficiaries of New York City sanitation workers.

A.2830-B (Dinowitz) / S.5925 (Hannon) – Chapter 465

This law provides an annual four-hour paid leave of absence to state employees and teachers for cancer screening.

A.8055 (Abbate) / S.6460 (Savino) – Chapter 467

This law authorizes certain uniformed New York City members who have elected into participation in a special retirement plan to use any surplus in their member contributions to offset any deficit that have incurred in such retirement systems, upon retirement.

PENSION & CIVIL SERVICE LEGISLATION FOR INDIVIDUALS

In addition to the laws listed above, the Committee on Governmental Employees reviews legislation that provide administrative remedies to overcome employer errors that have led to a loss in pension benefits for certain New York State Civil Service employees and members of the pension and retirement systems. In such cases, legislative action must occur to allow these members into certain retirement plans and to grant eligibility for certain competitive examinations and fields of employment.

A.365 (Santabarbara) / S.973 (Amedore) – Chapter 25

This law allows Richard Insogna, Sr., who is a part-time police officer in the Village of Fort Plain in Montgomery County, to be eligible for a permanent appointment as a full-time police officer, so long as he fulfills all other merit and fitness requirements.

A.5976 (Woerner) / S.3693 (Marchione) – Chapter 93

This law allows Marie Abraham, who is a part-time police officer in the City of Mechanicville, to be eligible for permanent appointment in the competitive class as a full-time police officer, so long as she fulfills all other merit and fitness requirements.

A.6000 (Woerner) / S.3692 (Marchione) – Chapter 94

This law allows Kimberly A. Cooney, who is a part-time police officer in the City of Mechanicville to be eligible for permanent appointment in the competitive class as a full-time police officer, so long as she fulfills all other merit and fitness requirements.

A.6529 (Jenne) / S.5043 (Griffo) – Chapter 186

This law permits Peter G. Lasala, a police officer employed by the Village of Potsdam in St. Lawrence County to elect into an Optional 20-Year Retirement Program for certain police officers and firefighters, so long as he submits an application the State Comptroller on or before December 31, 2017.

A.6364 (Errigo) / S.4254 (Gallivan) – Chapter 237

This law authorizes the Village of Avon to allow police officers Matthew McFadden and Richard Gage to enroll into an Optional 20-Year Retirement Plan in the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.

A.6400 (Thiele) / S.5075 (Lavalle) – Chapter 244

This law directs the town of East Hampton, a participating employer in the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System, to allow police officer Katherine Izzo to enroll into an Optional 20-Year Retirement Plan for certain police officers and firefighters.

A.7507 (Otis) / S.5551 (Latimer) – Chapter 252

This law allows Michael Sprague, employed as a police officer in the Village of Port Chester and a member of the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System, to apply and elect to participate in an Optional 20-Year retirement plan for certain police officers and firefighters.

A.7603 (Abbate) / S.5706 (Golden) – Chapter 387

This law grants death benefits to the surviving spouses or domestic partner of emergency medical technicians and advanced emergency medical technicians killed during the performance of duties.

A.6901 (Stec) / S.5324 (Little) – Chapter 417

This law permits the widow and beneficiary of Mr. Lawrence Allen to reapply for ordinary disability retirement on behalf of her husband and receive such benefits.

A.7069 (Thiele) / S.5505 (LaValle) – Chapter 437

This law grants an increased death benefit to the beneficiaries of Theodore Raffel, a deceased police officer in the Village of Southampton.

NOTEWORTHY COMMITTEE LEGISLATION

I. FAIR WAGES:

The New York State Equal Pay Act of 1963 and Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibit employers from discriminating in compensation against all employees regardless of their nationalities, gender, race, and origin. However more than half a century later, wage disparities continue to exist in our state. Determined in its mission to achieve true pay equity for all New Yorkers, the New York State Assembly rallied forces and passed the 2017 Pay Equity bill package that included the following legislation:

A.658 (Rosenthal) / S.5480 (Montgomery) – Passed Assembly

This bill would establish a state policy to ensure state employees receive equal pay for equivalent work with bona fide exemptions included for seniority and geographic differentials. The bill would also mandate the President of the State Civil Service Commission to submit, every five years starting on January 1, 2019, to the Legislature, Governor's Office of Employee Relations, and the Division of Budget a list of segregated titles for which a disparity exists along with an estimate of the appropriation needed to eliminate such disparities.

A.2425 (Simotas) / No same as – Passed Assembly

This bill would clarify the intent of New York State to comply with the federal Equal Pay Act of 1963 and Civil Rights Act of 1964 and ensure a fair, non-biased compensation structure is available for all public employees regardless of their sex, race, or national origin. The bill would also provide a right of action to state employees who have been discriminated against in compensation.

A.2549 (Lifton) / S.3262 (Parker) – Passed Assembly

This bill would direct the President of the State Civil Service Commission to conduct a study and submit a report on the wage disparities of jobs segregated by gender, race, and/or national origin of employees.

II. CIVIL SERVICE PROTECTIONS:

Over the course of the session year, our Committee has negotiated several legislative initiatives amending the civil service law that would protect and enhance the rights of our hardworking men and women.

A.4933-A (Weprin) /S.6464 (Addabbo) – Passed Assembly

This bill would require all state agencies to develop a written plan of action aimed to reduce the occurrence of workplace injuries for their employees.

A.6233 (Abbate) / S.698 (Funke) – Passed Assembly

This bill would require the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, the Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority, the Capital District Transportation Authority and the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority and the respective public employee organization certified or recognized to represent the employees of such Transit Authorities to submit all unresolvable contract negotiations to binding arbitration.

A.6416-A (Abbate) / S.5877-A (Golden) – Passed Assembly

This bill would permit any individual who has served and was honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from service in the armed forces, to receive credits for civil service appointments and promotions. This bill would also remove the time of war requirement and will provide parity amongst the veterans of our armed forces.

A.6546 (Lentol) / S.5360 (Akshar) – Veto 197

This bill would require an independent hearing officer to conduct a hearing whenever there is a disciplinary action against paid officers and members of a state fire company or department.

A.7601-A (Abbate) / S.5778-A (Alcantara) – Passed Assembly

This bill would require that membership deductions from employees' paychecks to employee organizations be made within 30 days of receiving signed authorization from such employees.

A.7760 (Abbate) / S.2329 (Alcantara) – Passed Assembly

This bill would provide bump and retreat rights to members of the state and local labor classes in the New York State Civil service.

A.8057-A (Abbate) / S.6242-A (Akshar) – Passed Assembly

This bill would establish the eligibility requirements for provisional or permanent appointments into titles of fire chief for fire departments or fire districts outside of New York City.

III. BENEFITS FOR UNIFORMED PERSONNEL:

As a state that has experienced one of the most devastating terror attacks, New Yorkers understand the need and importance of maintaining a public safety workforce. Our brave first responders, police officers, and correction workers risked their lives during 9/11 and each day they decide to suit up for work. Below is noteworthy legislation that demonstrates the Assembly's appreciation and recognition of the altruistic efforts and sacrifice of our state's uniformed personnel.

A.473 (Paulin) / S.2516 (Gallivan) – Veto 185

This bill would extend the disability coverage benefits, currently available to Nassau County probation officers, to all county probation officers who were injured or sick while performing their duties. Such benefits shall include full payment of wages or salary, medical treatment, and hospital care expenses, if the employing county elects to do so.

A.1644 (Skoufis) / S.407 (Robach) – Veto 173

This bill would permit parole officers employed by the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, and injured while performing their duties to be eligible to receive full pay benefits of wages, medical and hospital expenses. Payments shall cease once such officers has reached age 62 or completed 25 years of service.

A.3332 (Abbate) / S.3670 (Golden) – Veto 191

This bill would allow any Tier VI member employed as a uniformed court officer or peace officer by the unified court system to retire without early age reduction upon attaining 30 years of creditable service and age 55. It will also reduce the normal retirement age from 63 to 62, and lessen the reductions in benefits for those who retire prior to normal retirement age.

A.3503 (Abbate) / S.3671 (Golden) – Veto 192

This bill would extend accidental retirement benefits to certain court and peace officers of the Unified Court System who, through no fault of their own, sustained injuries from an assault by an assailant while executing their duties.

A.5133-A (Jenne) / S.4077-A (Ritchie) – Veto 193

This bill would allow the beneficiaries of certain state correction officers under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision who are entitled to a service retirement benefit at the time of death to receive a death benefit in a lump sum amount that is equal to the pension allowance such officer would have received or a death benefit that is three times the deceased officer's salary.

A.6277 (Abbate) / S.1850 (Ortt) – Veto 172

This bill would allow county correction officers and deputy sheriffs, engaged in correction officer duties, to enroll in a special 20-year retirement plan and receive a pension benefit of one-half of final average salary upon retirement, if the employing county elects to provide such benefits.

A.7135 (Abbate) / S.5704 (Phillips) – Veto 198

This bill would extend the one-half performance of duty benefits plus an annuity of member's contributions to ambulance medical technician supervisors, ambulance medical technician

coordinators and ambulance medical technicians in Nassau County. Benefits shall be in addition to any workers' compensation such employees are currently receiving.

APPENDIX A

2017 SUMMARY ACTION ON ALL BILLS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES

<u>FINAL ACTION</u>	<u>ASSEMBLY BILLS</u>	<u>SENATE BILLS</u>	<u>TOTAL BILLS</u>
BILLS REPORTED WITH OR WITHOUT AMENDMENT			
TO FLOOR; NOT RETURNING TO COMMITTEE (FAVORABLE)	9		9
TO WAYS AND MEANS	57		57
TO CODES	7		7
TO RULES	7		7
TO JUDICIARY	0		0
TOTAL	80		80
BILLS HAVING COMMITTEE REFERENCE CHANGED			
TO Ways and Means	7		7
TOTAL	7	0	7
SENATE BILLS SUBSTITUTED OR RECALLED			
SUBSTITUTED		10	10
RECALLED		1	1
TOTAL		11	11
BILLS DEFEATED IN COMMITTEE	0	0	0
BILLS HELD FOR CONSIDERATION WITH A ROLL CALL VOTE	0	0	0
BILLS NEVER REPORTED, HELD IN COMMITTEE	167	25	192
BILLS HAVING ENACTING CLAUSES STRICKEN	1	0	1
MOTIONS TO DISCHARGE LOST	0	0	0
TOTAL BILLS IN COMMITTEE	255	36	291
TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD	6		

APPENDIX B
ALL BILLS THAT PASSED ASSEMBLY IN 2017

Bill Number	Legislative Summary	Legislative Status
A.473 (Paulin)/ S.2516 (Gallivan)	Would extend the disability coverage benefits to all county probation officers who were injured or sick while performing their duties. Such benefits shall include full payment of wages or salary, medical treatment, and hospital care expenses, if the employing county elects to do so.	Veto 185
A.658 (Rosenthal)/ S.5480 (Montgomery)	Would require the state to provide equal pay for equivalent work, with exemptions for seniority and geographic differentials included, to public employees.	Passed Assembly
A.834B (Gunther)/ S.3567B (Hannon)	Directs the President of the Civil Service Commission to conduct a study on the job title of nurse practitioner and publish a report by July 1, 2018.	Chapter 409
A.1105B (Hunter)/ S.946-A (Crocì)	Authorizes the state Civil Service Department to waive the application fees of civil service examinations for original appointments for candidates who were honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from service in the armed forces.	Chapter 404
A.1644 (Skoufis)/ S.407 (Robach)	Would permit parole officers employed by the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, and injured while performing their duties to be eligible to receive full pay benefits of wages, medical and hospital expenses. Payments shall cease once such officers has reached age 62 or completed 25 years of service.	Veto 173
A.2425 (Simotas)/ No Same As	Would clarify the intent of New York State to comply with the federal Equal Pay Act of 1963 and Civil Rights Act of 1964 and would provide a right of action to state employees who have been discriminated against in compensation.	Passed Assembly
A.2549 (Lifton)/ S.3262 (Parker)	Would direct the president of the state civil service commission to conduct a study and submit a report on the wage disparities of jobs	Passed Assembly

	segregated by gender, race, and/or national origin of employees.	
A.2830B (Dinowitz)/ S.5925 (Hannon)	Would provide, annually, a four-hour paid leave of absence to state employees and teachers for cancer screening.	Chapter 465
A.3137 (Abbate)/ S.4761 (Golden)	Would codify the state comptroller's policy which prohibits the use of placement agents or intermediaries by investment managers when conducting business with common retirement funds.	Passed Assembly
A.3332 (Abbate)/ S.3670 (Golden)	Would allow any Tier VI member employed as a uniformed court officer or peace officer by the unified court system to retire without early age reduction upon attaining 30 years of creditable service and age 55. It will also reduce the normal retirement age from 63 to 62.	Veto 191
A.3503 (Abbate)/ S.3671 (Golden)	Would extend accidental benefit retirement benefits to certain court and peace officers of the Unified Court System who, through no fault of their own, sustained injuries from an assault by an assailant while executing their duties.	Veto 192
A.4933A (Weprin)/ S.6464 (Addabbo)	Would require all state agencies to develop a written plan of action aimed to reduce the occurrence of workplace injuries for their employees.	Passed Assembly
A.5133A (Jenne)/ S.4077A (Ritchie)	Would allow the beneficiaries of certain DOCCS correctional officers who are eligible for service retirement at the time of death, to receive a lump sum death benefit.	Veto 193
A.5194 (Jenne)/ S.4450 (Griffo)	Would grant Tier IV retroactive membership to Scott Goodfellow.	Veto 176
A.5210 (Abinanti)/ S.4324 (Tedisco)	Would require a 45 days' notice be given to retirees before health insurance changes are adopted by a public corporation.	Veto 194
A.5927 (Ryan)/ S.4253 (Gallivan)	Would grant Tier II retroactive membership to Adam Markel.	Veto 177

A.6233 (Abbate)/ S.698 (Funke)	Would require various public transit authorities and their respective unions to submit all unresolvable contract negotiations to binding arbitration.	Passed Assembly
A.6277 (Abbate)/ S.1850 (Ortt)	Would allow county correction officers and deputy sheriffs, engaged in correction officer duties, to enroll in a special 20-year retirement plan and receive a pension benefit of one-half of final average salary upon retirement, if the employing county elects to provide such benefits.	Veto 172
A.6403 (Abbate)/ S.4622 (Golden)	Extends the filing deadline from two years to five years for disability benefits for certain cancers for active and retired firefighters who are enrolled in the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.	Chapter 342
A.6416A (Abbate)/ S.5877A (Golden)	Would allow any individual who has served and was honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from service in the armed forces, to receive credits for civil service appointments and promotions.	Passed Assembly
A.6546 (Lentol)/ S.5360 (Akshar)	Would require an independent hearing officer to preside over the hearing proceedings of officers and members of a paid fire department.	Veto 197
A.6603 (Brindisi)/ S.5329 (Tedisco)	Would extend the supplemental retirement benefits to members of the New York state teachers' retirement system who retired prior to July 1 st , 1980. The bill would also increase the minimum allowance to \$550 per year of New York State service, up to 35 years, for a maximum allowance of \$19,250.	Passed Assembly
A.6901 (Stec)/ S.5324 (Little)	Authorizes Christine M. Allen, the widow and the beneficiary of Lawrence Allen, to reapply for ordinary disability retirement on behalf of her husband.	Chapter 417

A.6987 (Abbate)/ S.5451 (Lanza)	Would require any interview conducted by the Inspector General of Port Authority employees and officers for disciplinary action to be in accordance with any applicable provisions of current collective bargaining agreements.	Veto 225
A.6988 (Abbate)/ S.3377 (Griffo)	Would include the New York State Power Authority among the list of employers and public authorities required to submit all unresolvable contract negotiations to binding arbitration.	Veto 188
A.6991(Abbate)/ S.6274 (Lanza)	Would provide that any member of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, who is injured during the performance of their duty, shall be entitled to wage payments and medical reimbursements.	Passed Assembly
A.7069 (Thiele)/ S.5505 (Lavage)	Grants an increased death benefit to the beneficiaries of Theodore Raffel who served as a police officer in Southampton Village.	Chapter 437
A.7127 (Abbate)/ S.5705 (Phillips)	Would provide one-half performance of duty disability retirement to fire marshals employed in Nassau County. Such retirement benefits shall be in addition to any workers' compensation benefits such members may be receiving.	Veto 199
A.7134 (Abbate)/ S.5130 (Golden)	Would allow sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and correction officers of Nassau County to be eligible to receive three-quarter performance of duties benefits if they sustained an injury or illness due to an assault by an inmate while on the job.	Veto 196
A.7135 (Abbate)/ S.5704 (Phillips)	Would extend the one-half performance of duty benefits plus an annuity of member's contributions to ambulance medical technician supervisors, ambulance medical technician coordinators and ambulance medical technicians in Nassau County.	Veto 198
A.7185A (DenDekker)/ S.5484A (Golden)	Would clarify which eligible beneficiaries of New York City sanitation workers are eligible for pension benefits and to provide a special accidental death benefit to the beneficiaries of New York City sanitation workers.	Chapter 457

A.7193C (Perry)/ S.5634B (Savino)	Would authorize employers to automatically enroll all eligible employees into the New York City Board of Education Retirement System.	Veto 180
A.7511A (Pretlow)/ S.3991A (Murphy)	Would extend coverage for a three-quarter performance of duty disability benefit to county assistant wardens.	Veto 222
A.7601A (Abbate)/ S.5778A (Alcantara)	Would require that membership deductions from employees' paychecks to employee organizations be made within 30 days of receiving signed authorization from such employees.	Passed Assembly
A.7603 (Abbate)/ S.5706 (Golden)	Grants death benefits to the surviving spouses or domestic partner of emergency medical technicians and advanced emergency medical technicians killed during the performance of duties.	Chapter 387
A.7634A (Rozić)/ S.5811-A (Squadron)	Directs the President of the Civil Service Commission, in coordination with the Office of Information and Technology Services, to prepare a biennial report analyzing programs that provide alternative work schedules and flexible work hour to state employees.	Chapter 439
A.7642 (Abbate)/ S.6594 (Lanza)	Would provide unreduced early retirement benefits to certain employees of the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority.	Veto 181
A.7760 (Abbate)/ S.2329 (Alcantara)	Would provide bump and retreat rights to members of the state and local labor classes in the New York State Civil service.	Passed Assembly
A.7818 (Cahill)/ S.5948 (Akshar)	Allows a state police officer who retired on or after January 1, 2018 and completed a law enforcement training course to transfer up to five years of credited service rendered as a SUNY officer into the optional 20-year retirement plan for State Police.	Chapter 440
A.7918 (McDonald)/ S.6449 (Breslin)	Would authorize Brian Stebbins, a Tier V member of the New York state and local employees' retirement system, to retroactively transfer into Tier IV of such system.	Veto 201

A.7919A (McDonald)/ S.6448A (Breslin)	Would grant retroactive membership into Tier IV of the New York state and local employees' retirement system to Jessica Strizzi.	Veto 200
A.8055 (Abbate)/ S.6460 (Savino)	Would authorize certain uniformed New York City members who have elected into participation in a special retirement plan to use any surplus in their member contributions to offset any deficit that have incurred in such retirement systems, upon retirement.	Chapter 467
A.8006 (Abbate)/ S.5815 (Golden)	Would allow the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority Superior Officer Benevolent Association union, within 90 days of enactment, to elect into binding arbitration with MTA public employers.	Passed Assembly
A.8057A (Abbate)/ S.6242A (Akshar)	Would establish the eligibility requirements for provisional or permanent appointments into titles of fire chief for fire departments or fire districts outside of New York City.	Passed Assembly
A.8092 (Abbate)/ S.5256A (Golden)	Standardize the reporting period used to calculate the overtime ceiling for Tier V and VI members of the New York state and local employees' retirement system and New York State teachers' retirement system. The reporting period shall be based on a calendar year instead of fiscal.	Chapter 368
A.8149 (Steck)/ S.6644 (Breslin)	Would grant retroactive membership into Tier II status to William L. Herman.	Passed Assembly
A.8227 (Barrett)/ S.6333A (Serino)	Would allow four firefighters employed by the Arlington Fire District to enroll into an optional 20-year retirement plan.	Passed Assembly