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LAWS OF: 2022 CHAPTER: 109

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(Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in

SHBP; makes appropriation.)

BILL NO: A4127 (Substituted for S2743 (1R))

SPONSOR(S) Sterley S. Stanley and others

DATE INTRODUCED: 6/2/2022

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: State and Local Government

Appropriations

Budget

SENATE: ---

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY: 6/29/2022

SENATE: 6/29/2022

DATE OF APPROVAL: 9/15/2022

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (First Reprint enacted)
Yes

A4127

INTRODUCED BILL: (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes State and Local Government

Appropriation

Budget

SENATE: No

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: Yes 6/23/2022

7/1/2022

S2743 (1R)

INTRODUCED BILL: (Includes sponsor(s) statement) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No

SENATE: Yes Budget & Appropriations

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:	No
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:	Yes
VETO MESSAGE:	No
GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:	Yes
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P.L. 2022, CHAPTER 109, approved September 15, 2022 Assembly, No. 4127 (First Reprint)

AN ACT mandating access to periodic cancer screening examinations for full-time paid firefighters not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program, amending P.L.2021, c.478, and making an appropriation.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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- 9 1. Section 1 of P.L.2021, c.478 (C.52:14-17.29ii) is amended to 10 read as follows:
- a. A firefighter employed as a full-time paid employee of a 11 fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this 12 13 State shall be provided a cancer screening examination conducted 14 by a physician not less than three years after the start of the 15 firefighter's employment as a firefighter and every three years thereafter during the course of the firefighter's employment. The 16 examination shall include screening for, at a minimum and when 17 applicable, the following cancers: 18
- 19 (1) colon;
- 20 (2) lung;
- 21 (3) bladder;
- 22 (4) oral;
- 23 (5) thyroid;
- 24 (6) skin;
- 25 (7) blood;
- 26 (8) breast;
- 27 (9) cervical
- 28 (10) testicular; and
- 29 (11) prostate.
- b. Subsection a. of this section shall apply **[**only**]** to a firefighter enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program as occupational coverage. For the purpose of this **[**section**]** subsection, employment as a full-time paid employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition.
- 36 <u>c.</u> ¹ The State Health Benefits Commission shall establish a
 37 program to cover the cost of cancer screening examinations

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly ABU committee amendments adopted June 27, 2022.

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pursuant to subsection a. of this section for a firefighter who is not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program when such examinations are not otherwise covered by the health care benefits plan or program provided to the firefighter by the employer or by other health care coverage. The program shall require the submission of such information by the provider and the firefighter as shall be necessary to make a determination on coverage. Payment shall be made directly to providers. The program shall make such payments from funds specifically appropriated to the commission for this purpose. At no time shall the cost being reimbursed to the provider for a cancer screening examination exceed \$1,250.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, beginning January 1, 2023 and for each plan year thereafter, a public employer that does not participate in the State Health Benefits Program shall provide health care benefits coverage for its employees that offers cancer screening examinations consistent with the requirement of subsection a. of this section. A public employer that does not participate in the State Health Benefits Program shall be eligible for reimbursement from the State for its cost of providing benefits coverage for such examinations; provided, however, at no time shall the cost being reimbursed to the public employer by the State for the full examination required under subsection a. of this section exceed \$1,250 per three-year period for each firefighter.

No co-payment, deductible, coinsurance, or out-of-pocket expense shall be required for such examinations.

¹A public employer shall maintain adequate records to facilitate the reimbursement authorized pursuant to this subsection. ¹

For the purpose of this subsection, employment as a full-time paid employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition. There shall be an appropriation from the State General Fund in each annual appropriations act of such funds as necessary for the purposes of this section.

36 (cf: P.L.2021, c.478, s.1)

2. There is appropriated from the State General Fund to the ¹[State Health Benefits Commission in the] ¹ Department of the Treasury \$2,000,000 for the purposes of subsection c. of section 1 of P.L.2021, c.478 (C.52:14-17.29ii).

3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.

A4127 [1R]

- Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for
- firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes professional 2
- appropriation.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 2, 2022

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman STERLEY S. STANLEY
District 18 (Middlesex)
Assemblyman WILLIAM W. SPEARMAN
District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)
Assemblywoman CAROL A. MURPHY
District 7 (Burlington)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Verrelli, Assemblywoman McKnight, Assemblymen Danielsen and Freiman

SYNOPSIS

Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/27/2022)

AN ACT mandating access to periodic cancer screening examinations for full-time paid firefighters not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program, amending P.L.2021, c.478, and making an appropriation.

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- 11 1. a. A firefighter employed as a full-time paid employee of a 12 fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this State shall be provided a cancer screening examination conducted 13 14 by a physician not less than three years after the start of the 15 firefighter's employment as a firefighter and every three years 16 thereafter during the course of the firefighter's employment. The 17 examination shall include screening for, at a minimum and when 18 applicable, the following cancers:
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- 21 (3) bladder;
- 22 (4) oral;
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- b. Subsection a. of this section shall apply **[**only**]** to a firefighter enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program as occupational coverage. For the purpose of this **[**section**]** subsection, employment as a full-time paid employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition.
- 36 c. The State Health Benefits Commission shall establish a program to cover the cost of cancer screening examinations 37 38 pursuant to subsection a. of this section for a firefighter who is not 39 enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program when such 40 examinations are not otherwise covered by the health care benefits 41 plan or program provided to the firefighter by the employer or by 42 other health care coverage. The program shall require the submission of such information by the provider and the firefighter 43 44 as shall be necessary to make a determination on coverage. 45 Payment shall be made directly to providers. The program shall 46 make such payments from funds specifically appropriated to the

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A4127 STANLEY, SPEARMAN

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2	reimbursed to the provider for a cancer screening examination
3	exceed \$1,250. No co-payment, deductible, coinsurance, or out-of-
4	pocket expense shall be required for such examinations. For the
5	purpose of this subsection, employment as a full-time paid
6	employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political
7	subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition. There
8	shall be an appropriation from the State General Fund in each
9	annual appropriations act of such funds as necessary for the
10	purposes of this section.
11	(cf: P.L.2021, c.478, s.1)
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13	2. There is appropriated from the State General Fund to the
14	State Health Benefits Commission in the Department of the
15	Treasury \$2,000,000 for the purposes of subsection c. of section 1
16	of P.L.2021, c.478 (C.52:14-17.29ii).
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18	3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.
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24	examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State
25	Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter
26	enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination
27	every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for
28	firefighters who have a different health care plan through their
29	employer or receive health insurance coverage in any other manner
30	The bill creates a special program to be administered by the State
31	Health Benefits Commission and appropriates \$2 million to
32	effectuate the purposes of the bill.

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The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter and the program will pay the provider directly, eliminating a need to reimburse the firefighter for such costs. Additionally, the bill specifies that payment to the provider for reimbursement should not exceed \$1,250.

The bill will take effect January 1, 2023.

ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 9, 2022

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4127.

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their employer or receive health insurance coverage in any other manner. The bill creates a special program to be administered by the State Health Benefits Commission and appropriates \$2 million to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter and the program will pay the provider directly, eliminating a need to reimburse the firefighter for such costs. Additionally, the bill specifies that payment to the provider for reimbursement should not exceed \$1,250.

The bill will take effect January 1, 2023.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JUNE 23, 2022

SUMMARY

Synopsis: Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for

professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.

Type of Impact: Annual expenditure increase for the State General Fund.

Agencies Affected: Division of Pensions and Benefits, Department of the Treasury.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
State Cost Increase		Indeterminate	

• The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds the bill will result in an indeterminate increase to the State to provide for cancer screening examinations. The bill appropriates \$2 million for the purposes of the bill. The cost of the bill would depend on the specifics of which examinations and tests are provided during the year, the number and cost, and the number of firefighters receiving the screening examinations.

BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their employer or receive health insurance coverage in any other manner. The bill creates a special program to be administered by the State Health Benefits Commission and appropriates \$2 million to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter and the program will pay the provider directly, eliminating a need to reimburse the firefighter for such costs. Additionally, the bill specifies that payment to the provider for reimbursement should not exceed \$1,250.



FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS finds the bill will result in an indeterminate increase to the State to provide for cancer screening examinations. The bill appropriates \$2 million for the purposes of the bill. The cost of the bill would depend on the specifics of which examinations and tests are provided during the year, the number and cost, and the number of firefighters receiving the screening examinations.

Section: State Government

Analyst: Jessica Oestreicher

Deputy Counsel

Approved: Thomas Koenig

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 23, 2022

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4127.

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their employer or receive health insurance coverage in any other manner. The bill creates a special program to be administered by the State Health Benefits Commission and appropriates \$2 million to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

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The bill will take effect January 1, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal information is currently unavailable.

ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 27, 2022

The Assembly Budget Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4127.

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their public employer.

The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter.

Additionally, the bill specifies that the State will reimburse public employers for the full examination up to \$1,250 per three-year period for each firefighter.

The bill appropriates \$2 million for the reimbursements and requires annual appropriations in the future.

The bill will take effect January 1, 2023.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments require public employers of firefighters, instead of the State Health Benefits Commission, to provide for the examinations through their health care benefits plans, and the State will reimburse the public employer instead of the provider.

The amendments change the recipient of the appropriation from the State Health Benefits Commission to the Department of the Treasury.

The amendments also add a requirement that a public employer maintain adequate records to facilitate the reimbursement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill appropriates \$2 million to the Department of the Treasury.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 4127 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JULY 1, 2022

SUMMARY

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Agencies Affected: Department of the Treasury.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Section: State Government

Analyst: Jessica Oestreicher

Deputy Counsel

Approved: Thomas Koenig

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

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SENATE, No. 2743

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 2, 2022

Sponsored by:

Senator LINDA R. GREENSTEIN District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex) Senator TROY SINGLETON District 7 (Burlington)

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Schepisi

SYNOPSIS

Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/9/2022)

AN ACT mandating access to periodic cancer screening examinations for full-time paid firefighters not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program, amending P.L.2021, c.478, and making an appropriation.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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- b. Subsection a. of this section shall apply **[**only**]** to a firefighter enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program as occupational coverage. For the purpose of this **[**section**]** subsection, employment as a full-time paid employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition.
- 36 c. The State Health Benefits Commission shall establish a 37 program to cover the cost of cancer screening examinations 38 pursuant to subsection a. of this section for a firefighter who is not 39 enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program when such 40 examinations are not otherwise covered by the health care benefits 41 plan or program provided to the firefighter by the employer or by 42 other health care coverage. The program shall require the submission of such information by the provider and the firefighter 43 44 as shall be necessary to make a determination on coverage. 45 Payment shall be made directly to providers. The program shall

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1	make such payments from funds specifically appropriated to the
2	commission for this purpose. At no time shall the cost being
3	reimbursed to the provider for a cancer screening examination
4	exceed \$1,250. No co-payment, deductible, coinsurance, or out-of-
5	pocket expense shall be required for such examinations. For the
6	purpose of this subsection, employment as a full-time paid
7	employee of a fire department or unit of this State or a political
8	subdivision of this State shall be a pre-existing condition. There
9	shall be an appropriation from the State General Fund in each
10	annual appropriations act of such funds as necessary for the
11	purposes of this section.
12	(cf: P.L.2021, c.478, s.1)
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14	2. There is appropriated from the State General Fund to the State
15	Health Benefits Commission in the Department of the Treasury
16	\$2,000,000 for the purposes of subsection c. of section 1 of
17	P.L.2021, c.478 (C.52:14-17.29ii).
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19	3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.
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SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2743

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 27, 2022

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2743.

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their public employer.

The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter.

Additionally, the bill specifies that the State will reimburse public employers for the full examination up to \$1,250 per three-year period for each firefighter.

The bill appropriates \$2 million for the reimbursements and requires annual appropriations in the future.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments require public employers of firefighters, instead of the State Health Benefits Commission, to provide for the examinations through their health care benefits plans, and the State will reimburse the public employer instead of the provider.

The amendments change the recipient of the appropriation from the State Health Benefits Commission to the Department of the Treasury.

The amendments also add a requirement that a public employer maintain adequate records to facilitate the reimbursement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services finds the bill will result in an indeterminate increase to the State to provide for cancer screening examinations. The bill appropriates \$2 million for the purposes of the bill. The cost of the bill would depend on the specifics of which examinations and tests are provided during the year, the number and cost, and the number of firefighters receiving the screening examinations.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2743 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JULY 1, 2022

SUMMARY

Synopsis: Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for

professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.

Type of Impact: Annual expenditure increase for the State General Fund.

Agencies Affected: Department of the Treasury.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
State Cost Increase		Indeterminate	

• The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds the bill will result in an indeterminate increase to the State to provide for cancer screening examinations. The bill appropriates \$2 million for the purposes of the bill and requires future annual appropriations. The cost of the bill would depend on the specifics of which examinations and tests are provided during the year, the number and cost, and the number of firefighters receiving the screening examinations.

BILL DESCRIPTION

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Section: State Government

Analyst: Jessica Oestreicher

Deputy Counsel

Approved: Thomas Koenig

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

09/15/2022

TRENTON - Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills and resolutions into law:

A-2021/S-1138 (Conaway, Benson/Gopal) - Requires embryo storage facilities to record and report health information of patients in manner that is consistent with certain federal laws

A-3329/S-994 (McKnight/Ruiz) - Requires BPU to conduct study of effect of coronavirus 2019 pandemic on local and public utility service and to quarterly collect and publish certain local and public utility service and customer information

A-3694/S-1800 (Moen, McKnight/Gopal, Stanfield) - Establishes "Purple Star Schools Program" in DOE to recognize schools which emphasize importance of assisting children of military families

A-4127/S-2743 (Stanley, Spearman, Murphy/Greenstein, Singleton) - Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation

A-4254/S-2852 (Coughlin, Karabinchak, Kennedy, Lopez/Diegnan) - Excludes electricity supplied to recycled materials manufacturing facilities from renewable energy portfolio standards

A-4373/S-2900 (Calabrese, Speight/Sarlo) - Permits municipal emergency management coordinators to reside within reasonable proximity to municipality in which they are employed

AJR-57/SJR-47 (Moen, Mukherji, Dancer/Beach, Cruz-Perez) - Expresses support for commissioning of SSN-796, U.S.S. New Jersey, in New Jersey

The Governor vetoed the following bills:

A-793/S-1427 (Timberlake, Tucker, Reynolds-Jackson/Gill, Turner) – **CONDITIONAL** - Creates "Community Wealth Preservation Program"; expands access for certain buyers to purchase property from sheriff's sales

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A-3149/S-438 (McKeon, Dancer, Benson/Smith, Codey) - CONDITIONAL - Changes entity responsible for management of NJ School of Conservation to nonprofit organization, and directs DOE to request funding for center annually

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A-4101/S-2666 (Lopez, Coughlin/Vitale, Corrado) - CONDITIONAL - Requires MVC to prompt applicant for certain documents to enter information into "Next-of-Kin Registry

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A-4107/S-2768 (Schaer, Conaway, Verrelli/Vitale, Singer) - CONDITIONAL - Makes various changes concerning regulation of emergency medical services; establishes mobile integrated health program and new State Emergency Medical Services Medical Director in DOH

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A-2676/S-1212 (McClellan/Testa) – **ABSOLUTE** - Revises permitting thresholds for certain types of development requiring CAFRA permit from DEP

