



Everyone,

The Fire EMS Caucus of Connecticut legislators will have their second scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 9th at 10 AM. *Please note that the regularly scheduled meeting for the caucus will be held on the second Tuesday of each month at the LOB.* We will announce the meeting time and room location before each meeting. Below is a list of legislators who attended the first meeting last month on December 12th:

Rep. Ohler, Rep. Boyd, Rep. McGorty, Rep. Carpino, Rep. Staneski, Rep. Dubitsky, Rep. Sredzinski, Rep. Ryan, Rep. Klarides-Ditria, Rep. Petit, Rep. Camillo, Rep. Cook, Rep. Devlin, Rep. Delnicki, Rep. Linehan, Rep. Demicco, Rep. Byron, Rep. Abercrombie, Sen. Logan, Rep. Rovero, Rep. Ferraro, Rep. Bolinsky, Rep. Gentile, Rep. Borer, Rep. Stokes, Rep. Dauphinais, Rep. Wilson, Rep. McCarthy-Vahey, Rep. Winkler

Again, we ask all of our CSFA members to urge their respective legislators to join the Fire EMS Caucus and attend the upcoming monthly meetings. The goal of the bipartisan caucus co-chairs is to pull together greater support for us and to create better understanding of issues related to the Fire Service among legislators. All legislators are welcome to participate and caucus meetings are open to the public.

We also ask all members of the Fire Service to attend Fire EMS Caucus Meetings at the LOB in Class A uniform when schedules permit. We appreciate your cooperation and remind you that a strong showing of support by the Fire Service at these meetings will help on all issues across the board.

I have also attached the full minutes of the first meeting of the Fire EMS Caucus, and I have also attached the list of legislative issues for the upcoming 2018 CGA session that were bought forth by our member organizations at our annual CSFA Legislative Committee Meeting held on November 30th 2017 in Wethersfield:

1). Connecticut Fire Chief Association

A). Funding for the Regional Schools.

2). Uniform Professional Firefighters Association

A). PTSD Legislation

B). Benefits for Municipalities. - (Workmen's Compensation)

C). Cancer Bill

4). Connecticut Fire Marshal's Association

A). Delete the 1970 Codes for Smoke Alarms

B). The 1975 Codes for Fireworks needs to be regulated.

C). A committee to review code inspection schedule.

D). Oversight of Fire Marshals - CCM.

E). Sprinklers for residential housing

5). Connecticut Fire Department Instructors Association

A). Mandatory training for interior firefighters - Firefighter I level

B). Cancer Bill.

C). Support for the funding of the Regional Fire Schools.

6). Connecticut Career Chiefs Association

A). Support for the funding of the Regional Fire Schools.

B). Cancer Bill

C). PTSB Bill

D). Just cause bill for the dismissal of the Fire Chief.

There was a motion made and seconded to support all issues discussed tonight - The motion passed.

We would also like to thank everyone who attended the first meeting of the Fire EMS Caucus last month. We all know that there is strength in numbers, and, we are off to a great start.

Happy New Year and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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