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Everyone,

I am posting this Legislative Update on a day early on Thursday because Good Friday is a state holiday and there will no distribution of the listserv tomorrow.

We are still waiting for the Legislative Commissioner's Office (LCO) to release the latest language on S.B. 164 "The PTSD Bill". As I mentioned last week, we expect legislators and officials to soon schedule a news conference for the bill – as soon as I know where and when that will be, I will update everyone. Again, the announcement will probably come without much advance notice – we will need firefighters to attend the news conference is support of the proposed legislation.

On this weeks JF House Bill Status Report you can see that most of the bills we are tracking have been released by the Legislative Commissioner's Office and have file numbers that can be referenced.

To access the latest language on any bill, for any bill assigned a "File No." by the LCO, click on the bill number in the JF House Status Bill Report, open it up a in a new tab and click on the "File No doc" option. This should open the latest version of the bill that should include an Office of Fiscal Analysis (OFA) Report and Office of Legislative Research (OLR) Analysis for each bill.

Again, if you did not attend the most recent meeting of the Fire/EMS Caucus, I highly recommend watching the entire clip of the proceedings that was recorded on the Connecticut Network (CT-N) and is available on the following link:

http://www.ctn.state.ct.us/ctnplayer.asp?odID=16213

I have attached an updated JF House Bill Status Report.

If you would like to receive a copy of this update by email, <u>please contact me by email and I will add</u> your name to my distribution list. Please put "CSFA Update Request" as the subject of your email. If you have already requested and I missed it, I apologize, sometimes the email gets thick on this end. Please submit again with the subject "CSFA Update Request".

I hope that everyone has a pleasant Easter, Passover and Spring Break with family and friends.

Sincerely,

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