

May 10th, 2019

Everyone,

We have a newer version of the "PTSD Bill". Substitute **S.B. 164** AN ACT INCLUDING CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL INJURY" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION STATUTES is available online now under **LCO #8127**:

https://www.cga.ct.gov/2019/amd/S/pdf/2019SB-00164-R00SA-AMD.pdf

There is also now an updated fiscal note available for the bill:

https://www.cga.ct.gov/2019/fna/pdf/2019SB-00164-R00LC008127-FNA.pdf

There is tentatively a news conference scheduled for Monday May 13th, 2019 at the Legislative Office Building at 11AM (Room location TBA). We will release more information about this event as soon as possible.

This week, the House passed **H.B. 6384** AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLES AND LABORATORY AND DIAGNOSTIC TESTING FEES FROM THE FIREFIGHTERS CANCER RELIEF PROGRAM (<u>https://www.cga.ct.gov/2019/FC/pdf/2019HB-06384-R000402-FC.PDF</u>). The next step for this bill would be passage by the Senate.

This week the Senate passed **S.B. 549** AN ACT CONCERNING FIREFIGHTER WORK WEEKS (<u>https://www.cga.ct.gov/2019/FC/pdf/2019SB-00549-R000444-FC.PDF</u>). The next step for this bill would be passage by the House.

A reminder: Save the date for FIRE SERVICE DAY, Wednesday May 29th, 2019 at the State Capitol – please plan to attend – we need your support. Our event is a wonderful opportunity to meet your legislators.

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".

Sincerely,

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