

RPEA 2017 Legislative Program

Prior Year Final Status

2017 Bills In Bold

Passed Both Houses

- Require 90 day notice before a locality may change provisions of retirees' health care plan: *Veto #265*
S.4324, Tedisco – A.5210, Abinanti

Passed One House

- Assure that Medicare charges are reimbursed when a retiree is paying full premium contribution and Medicare is used for primary coverage: *Passed Senate*
S.1612, Golden – A.2000, Abbate
- Increase the maximum allowable public service earnings from \$30,000 to \$35,000 for public service retirees under 65 who return to government service: *Passed Senate: Farley - McDonald*
S. 3576, Tedisco – A. 3327, McDonald

Died In Each House

- Increase the Survivor's Benefit from \$3,000 to \$3,500 available through the Retirement System:
S. 2926, Golden – A. 2979, Brindisi
- Increase COLA base from \$18,000 to \$25,000:
S. 3306, Richie
- Secure Choice Savings Program for private sector workers:
A. 4982, Rodriguez
- Guarantee NYSHIP contribution percentages for State retirees as of the date of retirement:
S. 1962, Golden – A. 2833, Abbate
- Guarantee public service retirees health care benefits available upon retirement unless there is an equivalent change for active employees:
A. 5455, Weprin
- Permit retirees to allow voluntary dues deduction from pension for RPEA membership:
S. 1740, Golden – A. 3491 DenDekker