

S5207 GOUNARDES Same as [S 2464](#) AKSHAR, [A 4431](#) Abbate

Retirement and Social Security Law

TITLE....Relates to establishing a twenty year retirement plan for members or officers of law enforcement

This bill is not active in the current session.

04/16/19 REFERRED TO CIVIL SERVICE AND PENSIONS

04/30/19 REPORTED AND COMMITTED TO FINANCE

06/11/19 COMMITTEE DISCHARGED AND COMMITTED TO RULES

06/11/19 ORDERED TO THIRD READING CAL.1253

06/11/19 PASSED SENATE

06/11/19 DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY

06/11/19 referred to ways and means

06/20/19 substituted for a4431

06/20/19 ordered to third reading rules cal.640

06/20/19 passed assembly

06/20/19 returned to senate

12/20/19 DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR

12/20/19 VETOED MEMO.275

VETO MESSAGE - No. 275

TO THE ASSEMBLY:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, the following bills:

Assembly Bill Number 4436, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to disability benefits for firefighters employed by the division of military affairs"

Assembly Bill Number 5940, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to eligibility for retirement benefits for certain members of the unified court system"

Assembly Bill Number 8003, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to mandatory retirement age"

TO THE SENATE:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, the following bills:

Senate Bill Number 3813, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to providing accidental disability retirement benefits for chief fire marshals, assistant chief fire marshals, division supervising fire marshals, supervising fire marshals and fire marshal trainees in Nassau county"

Senate Bill Number 3841, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to certain disabilities of university police officers appointed by the state university of New York"

Senate Bill Number 3922, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to disability retirement for members of the department of environmental conservation, forest rangers, university police officers and the regional state park police"

Senate Bill Number 3946, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to disability retirement benefits for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, undersheriffs, and correction officers in Nassau county"

Senate Bill Number 5133, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to providing performance of duty disability retirement benefits for ambulance medical technician supervisors, ambulance medical technician coordinators and ambulance medical technicians in

Nassau county"

Senate Bill Number 5207, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to establishing a twenty year retirement plan for members or officers of law enforcement"

Senate Bill Number 5905-A, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to membership in the New York city teachers' retirement system"

Senate Bill Number 6110-A, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to transfer of retirement membership for certain employees of SUNY within the professional, scientific and technical bargaining unit"

NOT APPROVED

These bills would provide retirement benefit enhancements to State and local employees without offering any funding sources to cover such costs in the current and future fiscal years.

I have repeatedly vetoed similar or identical bills for the past several years because the costs imposed were not accounted for in the State's financial plan. This would necessarily impose a substantial, and unplanned burden on New York State taxpayers. Moreover, the fixed costs associated with pension enhancements negatively impact the State's economic competitiveness and hinder the ability of local governments to deliver vital services within current property tax levels.

Finally, the costs of these bills cannot be considered in a vacuum. In order to provide all of the benefits associated with the above-referenced bills, the State and its localities would be required to pay a combined, estimated total of over \$70 million in near-term costs. Since such costs must be addressed in the context of the annual budget negotiations, I am constrained to veto these bills.

These bills are disapproved.

(signed) ANDREW M. CUOMO
