STATE OF NEW YORK

6436

IN SENATE

February 9, 2012

Introduced by Sen. GOLDEN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to training of fire officers in cities of one million or more

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The general municipal law is amended by adding a new 2 section 209-ff to read as follows:

§ 209-ff. Training of fire officers. In any city with a population of one million or more, the fire department of such city, in coordination with the building department of such city, shall no later than July

first, two thousand fourteen, provide to all fire officers of such city
table at least forty hours of field training and classroom instruction in the

8 fire code of such city and at least forty hours of field training and

9 classroom instruction in the building and construction codes and local

ordinances of such city, with an emphasis on the inspection duties of

fire officers and any pertinent changes in such duties resulting from the enactment of, or any amendment to any of such codes that took effect

on or after July first, two thousand eight.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

LBD14218-01-2

NEW YORK STATE SENATE INTRODUCER'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT submitted in accordance with Senate Rule VI. Sec 1

BILL NUMBER: S6436

REVISED 05/01/12

SPONSOR: GOLDEN

TITLE OF BILL:

An act to amend the general municipal law, in relation to training of fire officers in cities of one million or more

PURPOSE:

Adds a new section 209-ff to the general municipal law, requiring training of NYC fire officers in changes to building and construction codes and local ordinances in NYC.

JUSTIFICATION:

New fire and building codes took effect in NYC on July 1, 2008. Since then there has not been any significant effort to train fire officers in the numerous changes to the codes. This legislation would require a minimum of 40 hours of field training and 40 hours of classroom instruction to be completed no later than July 1, 2014.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

2010 S.6784/A.9885 Passed Both Houses

2010 Vetoed Memo 6824

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

To be determined.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 24, 2012

Introduced by M. of A. ABBATE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

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13 on or after July first, two thousand eight.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
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LBD14338-02-2

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION submitted in accordance with Assembly Rule III, Sec 1(f)

BILL NUMBER: A9367A

SPONSOR: Abbate

 $\overline{ text{TITLE OF BILL}}$: An act to amend the general municipal law, in relation to training of fire officers in cities of one million or more

<u>PURPOSE</u>: Requires mandatory training for fire officers in all New York cities whose population is in excess of one million.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS: Section 1 - adds a new section 209-ff.

<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>: In order to insure the most coordinated and efficient fire departments, it is necessary for new and existing fire officers to be knowledgeable of contemporary fire codes, as well as building and construction codes and local city ordinances. Specifically, this act requires all fire departments of a city with an excess population of one million residents to provide all fire officers of such department with at least 40 hours of field training and classroom instruction in the city's fire code, and a minimum of 40 hours of field training and classroom instruction in the building and construction codes and local ordinances of the city. Per these requirements and with emphasis on the inspection duties of fire officers, including any pertinent changes in such duties resulting from the enactment of or any amendment to any codes that took effect in recent years, fire officers can better understand the current codes of their city.

This curriculum will benefit both the fire departments and the communities they serve by insuring a more knowledgeable and effective body of fire officers who are up to date in terms of these readily-changing codes and ordinances.

PRIOR LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: New bill.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act shall take effect immediately.