

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

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SENATE, No. 2743 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JULY 1, 2022

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for professional firefighters not enrolled in SHBP; makes appropriation.
- Type of Impact:** Annual expenditure increase for the State General Fund.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of the Treasury.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
State Cost Increase		Indeterminate	

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BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill mandates access to periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters who are not enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). Under current law, a firefighter enrolled in SHBP is entitled to a cancer screening examination every three years. This bill expands the access to examinations for firefighters who have a different health care plan through their public employer.

The bill specifies that there should be no out-of-pocket cost to the firefighter.

Additionally, the bill specifies that the State will reimburse public employers for the full examination up to \$1,250 per three-year period for each firefighter.

The bill appropriates \$2 million for the reimbursements and requires annual appropriations in the future.

The bill will take effect January 1, 2023.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

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Section: State Government

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This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).