

# New York State Pension Sweetener Scorecard 2009

## BENEFIT ENHANCEMENTS

These bills "sweeten" the already-generous pension benefits of public employees

Bill No.	Description	Sponsors	Passed	Vetoed	Signed
A2645/ S2340	Allows Tier II, III, and IV members of NYSERS to retire without penalty without regard to age	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate, Pheffer, Colton, Reilly, Cook, Hooper; <b>Senate:</b> Savino, Diaz, Dilan, Monseratte, Onorato			
A3426/ S1409	Would extend Tier II provisions to all police officers and firefighters who join a public retirement system on or after July 1, 2009 to July 1, 2011.	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate Pheffer, Colton, Boyland, John, Cook, McEneny, Saladino; <b>Senate:</b> Savino, Lanza, Thompson	✓	✓	
A3746/ S4659	Provides an optional 20-year retirement plan for county correction officers or deputy sheriffs performing as correction officers	<b>Assembly:</b> Sweeney, Weisenberg, Cahill, Eddington, Jaffee, Zebrowski, Schroeder, Boyland, DelMonte, Destito, Gabryszak, Gordon, John, Koon, Lupardo, Pheffer, Reilly, J. Rivera, Saladino, Schimel; <b>Senate:</b> Foley, Espada			
A5313/ S3510	Permits vested members of the NYS teachers' retirement system who have ceased teaching to withdraw from system and have contributions returned	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate, Cook, Pheffer; <b>Senate:</b> Savino, Diaz, Huntley, Onorato			
A6373/ S5241	Presumes contraction of methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus by police officers and firefighters occurred in the line of duty	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate, Pheffer; <b>Senate:</b> Savino			
A7906/ S3687	Grants improved disability pensions to airport firefighters and training and safety officers in the state division of military affairs who sustain a disability related to heart disease, lung disease and certain forms of cancer	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate; <b>Senate:</b> Lanza			
A7993/ S5541	Authorizes members of the police and fire retirement system with prior service to transfer prior service credit and membership back into prior system	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate; <b>Senate:</b> Savino, Thompson	✓		
A8371/ S5557	Allows NYC EMTs on disability to be otherwise gainfully employed	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate; <b>Senate:</b> Savino, Addabbo, Thompson	✓		✓
A8509/ S5633	Allows the deferral and lump sump payment of five days of vacation time for correctional officers and security hospital assistants upon retirement.	<b>Assembly:</b> Abbate; <b>Senate:</b> Aubertine, Savino, Valesky			