

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: **HB 0351**

January 28, 2021

SPONSOR (S): Yednock

SYSTEM(S): Downstate Fire

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no discernible fiscal impact associated with HB 0351.

SUBJECT MATTER: HB 0351 amends the Downstate Fire article of the Pension Code. The bill requires the Department of Insurance to be notified in cases where a firefighter suffers an injury or illness with a secondary employer.

COMMENT: P.A. 101-0522, which became effective on August 13th, 2019, mandated that for Article 4 (Downstate Fire) pension funds, if a firefighter is employed by a secondary employer, the fire chief shall report any injury, illness, or exposure incurred by a secondary employee during his or her employment with the secondary department to the primary employer's pension fund within 96 hours from the time of the occurrence of such injury or illness. HB 0351 would amend the Downstate Fire article such that the Department of Insurance shall also be notified of any such injury or illness incurred in the course of employment with a secondary employer.

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