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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



PA 26-83—SB 349

Labor and Public Employees Committee

**AN ACT CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO THE FIREFIGHTERS
CANCER RELIEF FUND**

SUMMARY: This act makes changes to the state treasurer's reporting requirements on programs that provide benefits to firefighters with cancer.

Prior law required the treasurer, in consultation with the Connecticut State Firefighters Association, to issue separate annual reports on the status of the Firefighters Cancer Relief Program, with one due each January to the Public Safety Committee, and the second due each July to the Firefighters Cancer Relief Fund Advisory Committee.

The act repeals the requirement for the report to the Public Safety Committee. For the report to the advisory committee, the act:

1. requires the report to also include information about a separate program that provides workers' compensation-like benefits to firefighters with cancer;
2. changes the report's required contents to include the projected and actual (1) expenditures (rather than participation) for each program and (2) income sources for the firefighters cancer relief account (rather than certain demographic information about the firefighters receiving benefits);
3. requires the Labor and Public Employees Committee to also receive the report; and
4. changes the annual report's due date from July 1 to October 1 (with the next one due by October 1, 2026).

The act also makes technical and conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2026