

Important Legislative Update:
County Corrections 20-Year Retirement Bill

One of our top Legislative Priorities this past year was the 20 year / half pay County Corrections Retirement Bill.

Working closely with AFSCME, Council 82 was able to get legislation passed (A. 6612/ S. 4001) that **would allow county corrections officers to receive a full pension benefit after 20 years of service.**

Under current law, counties cannot lessen the 25 year service requirement, *even through contract negotiations.*

This bill allows counties to opt-in and negotiate to a 20 year pension plan.

**Our bill is now on Governor Cuomo's desk,
and we need *your help* to encourage him to sign it into law.**

Gov. Cuomo has until Monday, November 28 to sign or veto this bill. Take action **today!**

Call the governor on the AFSCME Action Hotline: [888-800-1641](tel:888-800-1641)

Talking points/suggested script:

Hi, my name is _____, AFSCME Council 82 member, and a county correctional officer in _____ County. I've been a County Corrections Officer for _____ years. I'm calling in support of Senate Bill 4001, which is currently on Gov Cuomo's desk.

This bill will allow our union to negotiate with county employers for a 20 year retirement plan retirement for County Corrections Officers.

Correction officers complete academy training and have peace officer status, and face stressful and difficult working conditions.

We are asking Governor Cuomo to SIGN THIS BILL.