



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.

## Bill co-sponsored by Addabbo to create Older Adult Workforce Development Office within NYS State Office for the Aging approved by State Senate

SENATOR JOSEPH P. ADDABBO, JR. April 4, 2023

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New York State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is taking steps on both the state and community level to assist older adults who wish or need to remain in the workforce during their later years when others their age may be seeking retirement.

First, a bill (S.3004) Addabbo co-sponsors to establish an Office of Older Adult Workforce Development in the NYS Office for the Aging was recently approved by the full State Senate.

“This legislation recognizes that older workers are projected to make up 25 percent of the labor force by 2024, and will help to ensure these experienced employees are provided with the information and support they need to succeed in a changing work environment,” Addabbo said. “The coordinator of this new office will be tasked with planning and implementing efforts to aid seniors in the workplace; creating a centralized website including pertinent resources for older employees, and providing important information to the public about age discrimination and remedies that are available to combat this illegal behavior.” The bill now goes to the Assembly Aging Committee for consideration.

Second, Addabbo is planning to hold his Annual Senior Job Fair in the near future, with a tentative date of Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will be co-sponsored by Queens Community House, and will be held at the Kew Gardens Community Center at 80-02 Kew Gardens Road.

“We are putting the finishing touches on planning for this Senior Job Fair, and I urge all local residents 55 and older who might be interested in this event to mark their calendars,” said Addabbo. “These gatherings have been highly successful in the past in helping older adults find employment and explore new career options. For some, entering or staying in the labor force is a matter of personal choice. For others, it is a matter of financial necessity. Either way, I am happy to provide this opportunity each year to celebrate and help further the invaluable contributions senior employees make every day to our city, state and nation.”

For further information about the Senior Job Fair, constituents are encouraged to call the Senator’s office at 718-738-1111 or email him at [addabbo@nysenate.gov](mailto:addabbo@nysenate.gov)

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### **2023-S3004**

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- Introduced
- - In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate

- ○ On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - On Floor Calendar Senate

- ○ Passed Assembly
  - Passed Senate

- Vetoed By Governor

- Signed By Governor

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Creates the office of older adult workforce development within the office for the aging

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Vetoed

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