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## Senator Flanagan Honored For Efforts To Help Expand Kings Park Fire Department

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Senator John Flanagan (2nd Senate District) was recently honored by the Kings Park Fire District's Board of Fire Commissioners for his efforts in getting the state to transfer a parcel of land on the former Kings Park Psychiatric Center property to the Kings Park Fire District (KPFDD).

The transfer, which was sponsored by Senator Flanagan and Assemblyman Michael Fitzpatrick (7<sup>th</sup> Assembly District) in their respective houses of the legislature and signed into law on August 26<sup>TH</sup>, will enable the fire district to build a substation at the site and

provide better service the Kings Park residents.

The land that will be transferred is 2.68 acres on the west side of St. Johnland Road just east of Kings Park Boulevard. This site was chosen due to its access to St. Johnland Road which runs through the entire fire district and will give responding personnel a quicker route to emergencies throughout Kings Park.

According to district officials, the substation will house at least one engine and one ambulance to serve the residents of the Kings Park region. Additionally, the plan also includes placing their rescue boat and water rescue apparatus at the site to expand and enhance the district's ability to respond to water emergencies. The site is also large enough to allow the KPFD to install a buffer around the new facility and allow them to be good neighbors in their new home.

As a condition of the transfer, the legislation states that the property must be utilized for the exclusive purpose of building a substation and any other use will cause the land to revert back to the state.