FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC Form 8-K June 22, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

June 16, 2011

Financial Institutions, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-26481

(Commission

File Number)

New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

220 Liberty Street, Warsaw, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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16-0816610

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

14569

(Zip Code)

585-786-1100

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<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On June 16, 2011, the Management Development & Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of Directors of Financial Institutions, Inc. (the "Company") amended certain performance metrics (the "Metrics") used to determine the amounts of awards pursuant to the 2011 Annual and Long-Term Incentive Plans, under which certain executive officers may be awarded annual incentive bonuses in the form of cash and restricted stock. The Committee evaluated each Metric and its weighting to take into account the dilutive effect and expense of the Company's 2011 capital restructuring initiatives. The Metrics pertain to the Company's 2011 performance and, as such, have not yet been met.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Financial Institutions, Inc.

June 22, 2011

By: /s/ Karl F. Krebs

Name: Karl F. Krebs Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer