
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

PROPOSED SUB A FOR H-7654 HAS BEEN ADDED

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 28, 2024

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: House Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7654](#)

BY Shanley, Kennedy, Bennett, Edwards, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HOUSING MAINTENANCE AND OCCUPANCY CODE {LC4597/1} (Permits the department of environmental management and local municipalities to drain, remove, and replace an overflowing septic tank or system.)

02/15/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/07/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/22/2024 Scheduled for consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

House Bill No. [7654 SUB A](#)

{LC4597/A/1}

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7460](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Marszalkowski, Cardillo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT SECURITY ACT FOR LOCALLY ADMINISTERED PENSION FUNDS {LC4578/1} (Requires municipalities managing their own pension system to submit a statutorily required actuarial experience study to the advisory council to locally administered pension plans, rather than to a since-dissolved study commission.)

02/02/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7462](#)

BY Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT {LC4115/1} (Increases the membership of the energy facility siting board from 3 to 5 members and would revise the process of energy facility siting to mandate inclusion/participation of the host community of the facility as well as of the public and cities and towns.)

02/02/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7888](#)

BY Kislak, Morales, Speakman, Ajello, Cotter, Potter, Cruz, Tanzi, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE SCHOOL LIBRARIES ACT {LC5425/1} (Requires every public school in Rhode Island to have a school library or library media center in a permanent and dedicated space available to students in grades K-12 with a librarian available.)

03/04/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7890](#)

BY Stewart, Morales, Felix, Cruz, Potter, Sanchez, Batista, J. Lombardi, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ACTIONS BY AND AGAINST TOWNS {LC5489/1} (Requires a municipality to disclose on their official website the specific issues, details and costs of any legal action of which the town or city is a named defendant.)

03/04/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [7977](#)

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Cruz, Morales, Speakman, Spears, Craven, Azzinaro, Solomon, Kazarian

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ABILITY OF THE RHODE ISLAND EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM TO OFFER DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS WITHIN THE STATE TO PROVIDE A SUPPLY AND A PIPELINE OF PLANNERS, PLANNING TECHNICIANS, AND PLANNING STAFF {LC5506/1} (Creates an 11 member commission to study the ability of the RI educational system to offer degrees or certificates to provide a supply/pipeline of planners, planning technicians and staff, and report back by January 1, 2025, and expire on June 30, 2025.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7978](#)

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Cruz, Morales, Speakman, Spears, Craven, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND {LC5513/1} (Requires that municipalities implement electronic permitting for all development applications pursuant to zoning and the subdivision of land.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7979](#)

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Cruz, Morales, Speakman, Spears, Craven, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION {LC5507/1} (Provides amendments to the membership provisions of planning boards or commissions and would enable municipalities to establish "combined review boards" to replace separate planning and zoning boards.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7980](#)

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Cruz, Morales, Speakman, Spears, Craven, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOBILE AND MANUFACTURED HOMES {LC5551/1} (Makes several amendments relative to manufactured homes, including adding a definition for manufactured home and a provision allowing for certain manufactured homes to be considered a single-family home if on a lot zoned for such use.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7981](#)

BY Giraldo, Speakman, Biah, Henries, Voas, Kislak, Batista, Diaz, Alzate, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC5509/1} (Amends the provisions relative to permitted uses within residential, industrial and commercial zoning use districts.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7984](#)

BY McEntee, Fogarty, Tanzi, Casimiro, McGaw, Craven, Corvese, Spears, Kennedy, DeSimone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998 {LC5549/1} (Provides that mobile and manufactured homes be included as affordable housing under certain conditions.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7990](#)

BY Lima, Cardillo, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC5569/1} (Permits every municipality in the state to offer a homestead tax exemption of up to 20% of assessed value on residential properties, and also provides that municipalities that grant greater exemptions not be limited by this section.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8062](#)

BY Cotter, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE EXETER - WEST GREENWICH SCHOOL DISTRICT {LC5683/1} (Amends chapter 80 of the public laws of 1965 with respect to the composition of the regional district school building committee, apportionment of construction and operating costs and amendments to the agreement.)

03/13/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8076](#)

BY DeSimone, Azzinaro, Kennedy, O'Brien, Slater, Corvese, Vella-Wilkinson, Solomon, Place, Voas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- LIFE ESTATE {LC5584/1} (Entitles holders of a life estate to real property to use any veteran's tax exemptions available to them.)

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