
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

PROPOSED SUB A/2 HAS BEEN ADDED FOR H-5157
PROPOSED SUB A/3 HAS BEEN ADDED FOR H-5155

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 2025
TIME: Rise of the House
PLACE: Room 101 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR RECONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5155 SUB A](#)

BY Cotter, Bennett, Casimiro, Potter, Solomon, McNamara, Speakman, Fogarty, Slater, Giraldo
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- ARCHITECTS
{LC538/A/1}

01/24/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations
01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/04/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration
02/28/2025 Proposed Substitute
02/28/2025 Proposed Substitute
03/04/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A
03/28/2025 Scheduled for reconsideration

House Bill No. [5157 SUB A](#)

BY Cotter, Bennett, Casimiro, Morales, Potter, Solomon, McNamara, Speakman, Fogarty, Slater
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT {LC543/A/1}

01/24/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations
02/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/11/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration
02/28/2025 Proposed Substitute
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03/04/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A
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PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

House Bill No. [5155 SUB A](#)

{LC538/A/3}

House Bill No. [5157 SUB A](#)
{LC543/A/2}

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5105](#)

BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Ajello, Potter, Stewart, Voas, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY {LC92/1} (Enables the Rhode Island public transit authority (RIPTA) to work with the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA) to allow commuter rail passes to be used as dual passes for both RIPTA and MBTA.)

01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5417](#)

BY Nardone, Quattrocchi, Place

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- WATER SUPPLY {LC927/1} (Provides that water utility companies be responsible for all costs associated with maintenance, operation and delivery of water pumping stations to individual parcels of land and schools with no pumping stations on the property.)

02/12/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5573](#)

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT {LC2095/1} (Requires applications for energy facilities to take into consideration the 2021 Act on Climate and how the facility may advance or delay the greenhouse gas emissions reductions.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5574](#)

BY Solomon, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS {LC1130/1} (Requires the owner of a utility pole to remove the old pole within 30 days of installation of new pole.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5575](#)

BY Solomon, O'Brien, Lima, Kennedy, Santucci, Casey, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- LONG TERM CONTRACTING STANDARDS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY {LC1143/1} (Allows for the procurement of nuclear power.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5576](#)

BY Cortvriend, Edwards, Carson, McGaw, Knight, Spears, Fogarty, Potter, Speakman, Boylan ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- UTILITY THERMAL ENERGY NETWORK AND JOBS ACT {LC422/1} (Establishes thermal energy networks network infrastructure by any public utility company that provides electric/natural gas distribution to maximize cost-effective investments deemed in the public interest by the public utilities commission (PUC).)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5578](#)

BY Kazarian, Dawson, DeSimone, Voas, Alzate, Stewart, Edwards, Morales, Furtado, Casimiro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- REGULATORY POWERS OF ADMINISTRATION {LC2116/1} (Prohibits public utilities from raising the cost for access to the internet for senior citizens.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5579](#)

BY Paplauskas, Chippendale, Santucci, Newberry, Nardone, Place, J. Brien, Baginski, Lima, Fascia

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION {LC1533/1} (Requires the public utilities commission to produce a report each January containing an analysis of the electric grid and its ability to supply the electricity needs to power cars, buildings and heat homes within the state.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5580](#)

BY Potter, Boylan, Solomon, Cotter, Handy, Knight, Cortvriend, Speakman, McGaw, Edwards ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET METERING {LC2112/1} (Prohibits utility companies from limiting the eligibility of a net metering site based on prior consumption and requires excess energy not consumed under the net metering system to be credited to the consumer.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5583](#)

BY Fascia, Place, Chippendale, Nardone, Paplauskas, Quattrocchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC1546/1} (Limits the development of utility scale solar energy projects.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5816](#)

BY Handy, Stewart, Boylan, Speakman, Fogarty, McGaw, Bennett, Casimiro, Kislak, Potter ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --

AFFORDABLE CLEAN ENERGY SECURITY ACT {LC1573/1} (Mandates state and electric distribution companies develop proposals and encourage off shore wind power development and give priority in those projects to providing employment and business opportunities to workers from disadvantaged communities.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5819](#)

BY Lima, J. Brien, Phillips, Casey, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET METERING {LC2062/1} (Changes the excess renewable net-metering credit to a wholesale rate.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5820](#)

BY Lima, J. Brien, Phillips, Azzinaro, Baginski, Serpa, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD {LC2008/1} (Amends the obligation of entities to sell at retail to Rhode Island and use customers.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5822](#)

BY Phillips, Morales, Dawson, Casey, Lima, J. Brien, Finkelman, Shanley, Read, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- SOLAR SITING ADVISORY TASKFORCE {LC2057/1} (Creates a taskforce to provide recommendations, advice and guidance to help expedite and provide technical assistance with regard to the development of solar energy systems on property owned by the state.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6033](#)

BY Hull, Fellela, Azzinaro, DeSimone, Shallcross Smith, Sanchez, Bennett, Casey, Messier, Cotter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION {LC2306/1} (Requires all public utilities to maintain a customer service facility within the state to perform services such as addressing customer inquiries and accepting bill payments.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6085](#)

BY Speakman, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET METERING {LC2243/1} (Allows preferred sites to be developed without being subject to the cap or rate reduction in the net metering statute.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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