
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING & MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: TIME CHANGE

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 3, 2025

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 212 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [496](#)

BY Burke, Ciccone, Tikoian, McKenney, Pearson, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC2185/1}

(Provides that the “meetings” requirements from § 34-36.1-3.08 be applicable to condominiums created before July 1, 1982, and would permit remote participation in condominium meetings.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [507](#)

BY McKenney, Britto, LaMountain, Burke, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC1449/1}

(Requires associations to provide unit owners within thirty (30) days notice of any increase in the deductible application to the association’s policy.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [508](#)

BY McKenney, Britto, LaMountain, Burke, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC901/1}

(Creates process for condominium associations to give notice to and obtain approval from unit mortgage holders for certain association actions by mailing a written request for approval to the unit mortgagees via regular and certified mail.)

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Senate Bill No. [509](#)

BY McKenney, Britto, LaMountain, Burke, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC900/1}

(Allows condominium unit owners to participate in association meetings remotely through the use of digital platforms such as zoom, provided that such remote meetings are authorized by condominium declarations or bylaws.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill No. [724](#)

BY Valverde, Gu, Kallman, Murray, Lauria, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC2029/1}

(Restricts increases in monthly common expenses and limit special assessments to cover unforeseen costs not included in condo association's approved annual budget for common expenses in associations where the minority of the units are deed-restricted units)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill No. [489](#)

BY Kallman, Britto, Mack, Bell, Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CAPACITY TO HOLD REAL ESTATE

{LC1380/1} (Precludes any legal entity from possessing, controlling or otherwise claiming legal title to real property exceeding an aggregate value of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) in single-family dwellings or multi-family dwellings.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill No. [202](#)

BY Kallman, DiMario, Lauria, Mack, Quezada, Vargas, Gallo, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY TO

PURCHASE ACT {LC182/1} (Grants a right of first offer to qualified nonprofits for the purchase of certain multi-family residential properties at market prices, within a reasonable period of time to promote the creation and preservation of affordable rental housing.)

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [711](#)

BY Bissaillon, Urso, Sosnowski, Mack, Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE

ISLAND HOUSING AND CONSERVATION TRUST FUND ACT {LC615/1} (Restructures the Rhode Island Housing and Conservation Trust Fund, increases its membership to 15 members, 11 of whom are to be from the general public and reallocates the percentage of the funds for housing, conservation and other goals.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill No. [900](#)

BY Felag, Ciccone, DiPalma, LaMountain, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE

ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998 {LC2630/1} (Includes manufactured homes on leased land under a long-term lease in excess of thirty (30) years at the time of enrollment within the classification of affordable housing.)

03/27/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [510](#)

BY Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS {LC1460/1} (Authorizes and empower the department of transportation to plant pollinator friendly native species of trees, shrubs, grasses and plants within limits of a roadway, including state highways.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Resolution No. [632](#)

BY Sosnowski, DiMario, Valverde, Euer, Kallman, Pearson

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR, THE DIRECTOR OF THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (RIDOT), AND THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EXPLORE INCREASING THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY'S (MBTA) EVENING SERVICE TO THE WICKFORD JUNCTION/PROVIDENCE/STOUGHTON LINE ON WEEKDAYS AND INITIATING A WEEKEND SCHEDULE {LC2228/1}

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill No. [274](#)

BY Quezada, Acosta, Bissaillon, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC660/1} (Prohibits a landlord from inquiring about the immigration status of a tenant subject to any federal laws or regulations, but may request financial information or proof of identity.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 3, 2025, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

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