
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

H-5314, H-5389 & H-6077 HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THIS AGENDA
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NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 3, 2025
TIME: Rise of the House
PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5391](#)

BY Azzinaro, Kennedy, Fellela, Ackerman, Hull, Santucci, J. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS --
PREFERENCE FOR RESIDENTS {LC1138/1} (Provides Rhode Island residents over nonresidents
with priority when making reservations to secure a campsite and other recreational facilities.)

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Bill No. [5533](#)

**BY Cortvriend, McGaw, Cotter, Chippendale, Newberry, Place, Edwards, Corvese, Noret,
Donovan**

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC1136/1}
(Reinstates general revenue sharing of state aid among the 39 cities and towns in Rhode Island. The
initial amount is based upon population, and increased annually thereafter based on the increase in
the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Bill No. [5739](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Hull, J. Lombardi, Tanzi, Fogarty, Fascia

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- CRIMINAL INJURIES
COMPENSATION {LC1700/1} (Funds the state crime victim compensation program through an
additional one dollar (\$1.00) fine on traffic violations, exclusive of violations related to the parking
of vehicles.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Bill No. [5741](#)

(Providence)

BY Hull, J. Lombardi, Slater, Fogarty, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- REBUILD RHODE ISLAND TAX CREDIT {LC1797/1} (Amends provisions related to the maximum project credit allowed under the rebuild Rhode Island tax credit for certain qualified development projects.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Resolution No. [5975](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Shallcross Smith, Boylan, Read, Kislak, Tanzi, Alzate, Slater, Ajello, Stewart, Fogarty

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000 FOR THE PURCHASE, CANCELLATION AND FORGIVENESS OF MEDICAL DEBT {LC1709/1}

(Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 for the continued purchase, cancellation and forgiveness of medical debt consistent with section 35-4-21.1 of the General Laws.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Resolution No. [6016](#)

BY Cortvriend, Carson, Fogarty, McEntee, Tanzi, McGaw, Spears

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$400,000 TO THE COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (CRMC) FOR FUNDING OF URI'S COASTAL RESOURCES CENTER (CRC) STORMTOOLS, CHAMP ANALYSIS, AND MYCOAST {LC1293/1} (This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$400,000 to the Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Council for the continuation of STORMTOOLS, CHAMP, and MyCoast.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Resolution No. [6018](#)

BY Shallcross Smith, Boylan, Tanzi, Alzate, Slater

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO THE GLORIA GEMMA FOUNDATION {LC1840/1} (This resolution would appropriate the sum of \$500,000 to the Gloria Gemma Fountain and the organization's cancer survivorship and wellbeing center.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Bill No. [6098](#)

BY Shallcross Smith, Fogarty, Ajello, Handy, Fellela, Spears, Casimiro, Dawson, McNamara, Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM {LC2390/1} (Creates the Rhode Island Student Loan repayment program which would allow eligible individuals who have unpaid student loans, provided said individuals meet specified criteria.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

House Bill No. [6099](#)

BY Spears

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS SECTION 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,400,000 BONDS BY THE TOWN OF NEW SHOREHAM TO FINANCE ADDITIONS, RENOVATIONS, IMPROVEMENTS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS TO SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION {LC2445/1} (Serves as the enabling act required by Rhode Island General Laws§ 16-7-44 in order for the principal and interest on bonds issued in support of school housing projects to be eligible for state housing aid reimbursement.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/29/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6129](#)

BY Noret, Serpa, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$71,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEMOLITION, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPING COSTS {LC2581/1} (Authorizes the town of West Warwick to issue not more than \$71,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, renovation, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.)

03/21/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/29/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5314](#)

(City of Providence)

BY Kislak, Diaz, J. Lombardi, Hull, Ajello, Slater, Batista, Biah

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- THE PARKING SERVICES TAXATION ACT {LC966/1} (Grants municipalities the authority to impose a parking services sales tax on parking lots and parking structures that charge for parking services through an ordinance.)

02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5389](#)

(City of Providence)

BY Slater, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING EDUCATION -- THE PAUL W. CROWLEY RHODE ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE. {LC969/1} (Removes the authority of the commissioner or elementary and secondary education to withhold funds from a debtor community through the general treasurer.)

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6077](#)

BY Giraldo, Voas, Alzate, Stewart

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE CITY BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$15,000,000 BONDS, NOTES AND/OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR {LC2245/1} (Authorizes the City of Central Falls to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$15,000,000 to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities in the city.)

03/12/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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