
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 10, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 211 - State House

House Bill No. [5076](#)

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

{LC670/1}

01/16/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

Department of Human Services:

FY2025 Supplemental and FY2026 Budgets

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [100](#)

BY DiMario, Valverde, Patalano, Thompson, Lauria, Vargas, Mack, Acosta, Murray, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS
PROGRAM {LC973/1} (Eliminates the sunset on the provision of finding for child care for eligible
child care educators and child care staff.)

01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [417](#)

BY DiPalma, Ciccone, Tikoian, Lawson, de la Cruz, E Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- CIGARETTE AND OTHER TOBACCO
PRODUCTS TAX {LC1406/1} (Reduces the cigarette tax imposed by 75% for any modified risk
tobacco product as defined in § 21 U.S.C. 387 k as a tobacco product sold/distributed to reduce the
harm/risk of tobacco-related disease associated with commercially marketed tobacco products.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [658](#)

BY Murray, DiPalma, Felag, Thompson, Sosnowski, DiMario, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto,
McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS
PROGRAM {LC2225/1} (Amends the Rhode Island works program to allow lawful permanent
residents to receive benefits without a waiting period.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [673](#)

BY Urso, Euer, Bissaillon, Acosta, DiPalma, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND EARLY EDUCATOR WORKFORCE ACT {LC1397/1} (Directs the DHS and the department of education to work collaboratively to sustain and strengthen existing workforce development and compensation programs for educators working in licensed child care and early learning programs statewide.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [866](#)

BY Britto, McKenney, Raptakis, Appollonio, Vargas, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES {LC2558/1} (Provides a three thousand dollar (\$3,000) stipend to a qualified applicant who successfully completes the job training program of the department of human services or department of children, youth and families.)

03/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 10, 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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