
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

PLEASE NOTE: ROOM CHANGE

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 1, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 211 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [26](#)

BY Raptakis, Rogers

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT {LC484/1} (Requires 10% of all rental fees collected by the water resources board pursuant to a lease with the Coventry Pines Golf Club be paid to the town of Coventry and 10% to the Central Coventry Fire District.)

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed

04/29/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [29](#)

BY Raptakis, Felag, Britto, Tikoian, Patalano, Burke, Dimitri, E Morgan, Valverde, Ujifusa, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD {LC42/1} (Raises the amount of life insurance the state provides at no charge to Rhode Island National Guard members called up for federal duty to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).)

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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Senate Bill No. [30](#)

BY Acosta, Gallo, Mack, Valverde, Zurier, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- POSTSECONDARY TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR SHORTAGE TEACHING FIELDS {LC215/1} (Creates a postsecondary tuition assistance for shortage teaching fields.)

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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Senate Bill No. [31](#)

BY Gallo, Ciccone, Britto, Tikoian, Thompson, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC713/1} (Exempts the trade-in value of pickup trucks weighing fourteen thousand pounds (14,000 lbs.) or less from sales and use tax.)

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Senate Bill No. [41](#)

BY Gallo, Ciccone, Tikoian, Rogers

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC712/1} (Exempts from sales tax the trade-in values of motorcycles as well the proceeds received as a result of an unrecovered stolen or total loss of a motorcycle.)

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Senate Bill No. [95](#)

BY Raptakis, Patalano, Burke, Appollonio, Rogers, E Morgan, Paolino, Thompson, Felag, Tikoian, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC792/1} (Exempts the trade-in value of pickup trucks under six thousand pounds (6,000 lbs.) gross weight, used exclusively for personal use, from sales tax.)

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Senate Bill No. [99](#)

BY Raptakis, Patalano, Burke, Appollonio, Rogers, Paolino, Thompson, Felag, Tikoian, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC793/1} (Exempts the trade-in value of pickup trucks under eight thousand one hundred pounds (8,100 lbs.) gross weight, used exclusively for personal use, from sales tax.)

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Senate Bill No. [32](#)

BY Acosta, Zurier, Mack, Bissaillon, Quezada, Bell, Ciccone, Felag, DiMario, Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC211/1}

(Includes municipal detention facility corporations as exempt from taxation, and requires that an amount equal to 27% of all tax that would have been collected if the property was taxable be paid to the municipality annually.)

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Senate Bill No. [34](#)

BY Felag, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto, Urso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC232/1} (Eliminates the sales tax on taxi services and pet care services.)

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Senate Bill No. [35](#)

BY Pearson, Valverde, DiMario, Euer, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL FUNDS AND PROPERTY {LC592/1} (Directs the department of education to develop and adopt regulations for energy capable school buildings.)

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Senate Bill No. [36](#)

BY Felag, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto, E Morgan, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT {LC234/1} (Amends the Education Equity and Property Tax

Relief Act to set the regionalization bonus at 2% of the state's share of foundation education aid for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2025, and for each year thereafter.)

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Senate Bill No. [39](#)

BY Gu, DiMario, Sosnowski, Zurier, DiPalma, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC198/1} (Exempts from the sales tax scalp hair prosthesis or wigs that are necessary due to hair loss from a medical condition.)

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Senate Resolution No. [48](#)

BY Felag, Murray, LaMountain, DiPalma, Ciccone, Britto, Bissailon, Urso

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$15,200,000 TO BE USED TO PURCHASE PFAS-FREE FIREFIGHTING GEAR {LC231/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$15,200,000 to cities and towns to purchase firefighter and rescue personnel protective gear which is PFAS free.)

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Senate Resolution No. [49](#)

BY Tikoian, LaMountain, DiPalma, Gallo, Felag, Ciccone, Urso, Murray, Britto, Vargas

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000 TO THE SUBSTANCE USE AND MENTAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL OF RI (SUMHLC) {LC470/1} (This resolution would authorize an appropriation of the sum of \$250,000 to the Substance Use and Mental Health Leadership Council of RI.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 1, 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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