
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & AGRICULTURE

**PROPOSED SUB A's HAVE BEEN ADDED FOR S-650, S-651, & S-938
S-324, H-5293 & H-5844 HAVE BEEN ADDED**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, May 28, 2025
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Senate Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR ADVICE AND CONSENT

Appointment of Ashlee Barrett (Southern RI Conservation Committee) VICE Kate Sayles to the Conservation Committee for a term expiring April 20, 2027.

Appointment of David Corsetti to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2027.

Appointment of Andrew T. Tyska (Marine Trades Industry) VICE Malcom Cooper to the Derelict and Abandoned Vessel and Obstructed Removal Commission for a term expiring May 31, 2027.

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [325](#)

BY Britto, DiMario, DiPalma, Bissailon, Sosnowski, Raptakis, Urso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL CARE {LC1480/1} (Amends the definition of “hobby breeder” to limit the sale or offering for sale to no more than two (2) litters of dogs or cats, or a combination thereof, in a three hundred and sixty-five (365) day period.)

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/19/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Resolution No. [327](#)

BY Sosnowski, Britto, DiMario, Murray, Mack, Euer, McKenney, Kallman

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- GREEN AMENDMENT {LC865/1} (Proposes a constitutional amendment to Article 1 providing for a right to clean air, soil, climate, and the environment’s natural values.)

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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05/07/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [644](#)

BY DiPalma, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT {LC1196/1} (Strikes the words "which is naturally occurring" with regard to any promulgated rules and regulations of the department of environmental management (DEM) relating to the remediation of arsenic.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/26/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [650](#)

BY DiMario, Sosnowski, Valverde, Lawson, Murray, Euer, Kallman, Britto, Acosta, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER POLLUTION {LC1559/1} (Requires quarterly testing of biosolids for PFAS contaminants by those seeking to apply biosolids to lands, with subsequent reports to the department of environmental management.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

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

04/02/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [651](#)

BY Murray, DiMario, Lauria, Sosnowski, Valverde, Kallman, Urso, Ujifusa, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PESTICIDE CONTROL {LC1274/1} (Creates rodent integrated pest management pilot programs for municipalities. That choose to participate. Reports would be approved by the municipality's mayor or administrator and would be submitted to the department of environmental management.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/19/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [938](#)

BY Sosnowski, Britto, DiMario, Murray, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- LICENSING {LC2663/1} (Authorizes the taking of green crabs subject to certain conditions and a license fee of ten dollars (\$10.00).)

04/04/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

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05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
05/07/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [324](#)

BY DiMario, Dimitri, Mack, Sosnowski, Britto, Vargas, Acosta, Valverde, Zurier, Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY {LC959/1} (Creates a public education program on methods to recycle textiles.)

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture
04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5293](#)

BY Hull, Sanchez, J. Lombardi, DeSimone, O'Brien, Fogarty, Diaz ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY {LC1127/1} (Creates a public education program on methods to recycle textiles.)

02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources
02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/27/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
03/07/2025 Scheduled for consideration
03/12/2025 Committee recommends passage
03/14/2025 Placed on House Calendar
03/20/2025 House read and passed
03/21/2025 Referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture
05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5844 SUB A](#)

BY Cortvriend, McGaw, Speakman, Fogarty, Kislak, Carson, Morales ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER POLLUTION {LC1674/A/1}

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources
03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
03/20/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
04/04/2025 Scheduled for consideration
04/04/2025 Proposed Substitute
04/04/2025 Proposed Substitute
04/09/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A
04/25/2025 Placed on House Calendar
05/01/2025 House passed Sub A
05/02/2025 Referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture
05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [650 SUB A](#)
{LC1559/A/1}

Senate Bill No. [651 SUB A](#)
{LC1274/A/1}

Senate Bill No. [938 SUB A](#)
{LC2663/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 28, 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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