
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, January 20, 2026

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: Room 135 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7048](#)

BY Azzinaro, O'Brien, Phillips, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES {LC3131/1} (Raises the gross weight of a vehicle eligible for reserve forces plates from 8,500 lbs. to 12,000 lbs. with US flag on the plates. Proof of honorable discharge to be provided to DMV.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7085](#)

BY Newberry, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES {LC3920/1} (Repeals the authorization for issuance of special registration plate for Mr. Potato Head. Currently issued plates, as long as continuously registered to the current vehicle would remain valid.)

01/14/2026 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7086](#)

BY Bennett, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Donovan, Fellela, McNamara, Azzinaro, Speakman, Boylan, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE EMBLEMS {LC3179/1} (Designates as the state music, the genre of rhythm and blues which contain elements of pop, soul, funk, hip-hop, and electronic music.)

01/14/2026 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7087](#)

BY Bennett, Shallcross Smith, Fogarty, Potter, Cortvriend, Fellela, Read, McNamara, Azzinaro, Boylan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES {LC3177/1} (Establishes a motor vehicle license plate to honor Governor Roger Williams.)

01/14/2026 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7088](#)

BY Azzinaro, Shallcross Smith, Corvese, McNamara, Fellela, Solomon, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES {LC3377/1} (Creates special motor vehicle registration plates for vehicles based on the not-for-profit entity Rhode Island Fire Chiefs Honor Flight Hub.)

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01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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