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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 31, 2026

**TIME:** Rise of the Senate

**PLACE:** Room 212 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

### Senate Bill No. [2011](#)

**BY Gu, Britto, Gallo, Bell, DiMario, Burke, Sosnowski, Kallman, Mack, Bissailon**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE-CASUALTY INSURANCE  
GENERALLY-LIMITATIONS ON POLICY CANCELLATIONS AND RENEWALS

{LC3429/1} (Requires homeowner's insurance providers to provide two months' notice before increasing any policy renewal premium more than 20% and a violation constitutes a deceptive trade practice punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [2199](#)

**BY McKenney, Tikoian, Burke, Britto, Urso**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRODUCER LICENSING ACT

{LC4451/1} (Clarifies what a contract modification is, namely any change in producer compensation.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [2201](#)

**BY Paolino, Thompson, Appollonio, Famiglietti, Patalano, Dimitri, Gu**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT {LC3300/1} (Requires the director of the Rhode Island emergency management agency and the Rhode Island commerce commission to develop and implement a plan to assist businesses in obtaining flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance program.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [2204](#)

**BY Appollonio, Thompson, Dimitri, Famiglietti, Britto, Urso, Burke**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW--GENERAL REGULATORY  
PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES {LC3904/1} (Strengthens consumer

protections by including definitions related directly to deceptive trade practices inherent in the insurance claim process.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2431](#)**

**BY Famiglietti, Thompson, Appollonio, Burke, Dimitri, Patalano, Murray, Bissaillon, LaMountain, Tikoian**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CASUALTY INSURANCE RATING {LC4703/1}** (Permits on and after July 1, 2027, for an insurer to consider the zip code in which the vehicle is garaged provided that the calculation of the zip code is segmented by the municipality where the vehicle is garaged.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2640](#)**

**BY Britto, McKenney, Dimitri, Famiglietti, Appollonio, Gu, DiMario, Zurier, Bissaillon, Urso**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- CATASTROPHE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS ACT {LC4992/1}** (Establishes the catastrophe savings account act.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2646](#)**

**BY Euer, Kallman, Lauria, DiMario, Zurier, Ujifusa, Mack, Murray, Gu**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- RHODE ISLAND INSURANCE MARKET PROTECTION ACT {LC4954/1}** (Regulates property insurers to limit underwriting and investment in fossil fuel projects, requires climate risk reporting and emissions disclosures, and aligns insurance practices with science-based climate targets.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2763](#)**

**BY Murray, Thompson**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE REPARATIONS ACT {LC5598/1}** (Prohibits the consideration of an applicant's credit history in determining automobile insurance rates.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2769](#)**

**BY Thompson, Murray**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES {LC5868/1}** (Establishes minimum limitations standards for structural property damage claims, and voids any policy provision, endorsement, condition, limitation, agreement, or claim practice that shortens those standards.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2770](#)**

**BY Pearson, Quezada, Gallo, Tikoian, Lauria, Kallman, Euer, Zurier**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR CLAIMS SETTLEMENT PRACTICES ACT {LC4482/1} (Characterizes the failure of a homeowner's insurance policy to use matching principle in its interpretation of replacement cost coverage in its homeowner's insurance policy, as an unfair claim settlement practices.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2771](#)**

**BY Pearson, Mack, Gallo, Tikoian, Lauria, Kallman, Euer, Zurier**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- DOMESTIC INSURANCE COMPANIES {LC4462/1} (Requires insurance companies to settle claims or request additional information within 30 days of receipt of a notice of claim. Failure to comply results in \$250/day payable to the insured party.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2775](#)**

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

**BY McKenney**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- DOMESTIC INSURANCE COMPANIES {LC5441/1} (Provides an update to certain insurance sections of law to update or eliminate outdated sections of the insurance law.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2780](#)**

**BY LaMountain, Burke, Dimitri**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- UNIFORM PARTNERSHIP ACT -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT {LC5557/1} (Replaces the existing limited liability company act with a newer and updated model act.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2762](#)**

**BY Vargas, Valverde, Zurier, Urso, DiPalma**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ENERGY DISCLOSURE AND HOMEOWNERS BILL OF RIGHTS ACT {LC5855/1} (Defines catastrophic loss and requirements for suspension of payments.)

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## **TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL**

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, 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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