
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

H-7390 HAS BEEN ADDED TO THIS AGENDA

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 16, 2026
TIME: Rise of the House
PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7053](#)

BY Donovan, Fellela, McNamara, Speakman, Serpa, Messier, Phillips, Cotter, Boylan ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT {LC3573/1} (Amends the current law on teacher's creditable service so that a teacher who takes an unpaid parental or medical leave during the year would be given credit for a year of service for that school year if they served a minimum of 135 school days.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7100](#)

BY Bennett, Corvese, Potter, DeSimone, Solomon, Casimiro, Shanley, Noret, Dawson, Read ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM--CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC3858/1} (Increases the yearly amount of money that retired teachers, who had been certified driver education teachers, could earn from fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), without a reduction in their retirement benefits.)

01/14/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7160](#)

BY O'Brien, McEntee, Dawson, Biah, Noret, Furtado, Messier, Read, Corvese, Slater ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT {LC3663/1} (Allows teachers, state and municipal employees to retire when they have at least twenty-eight (28) years of active service and their retirement age, when combined with the number of their years of service reaches, the number eighty-five (85).)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7162](#)

BY Casimiro, Craven, Shanley, Serpa, Fellela, McEntee, Solomon, Read, Kazarian ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX {LC4047/1} (Allows a modification to federal adjusted gross income for all public pension benefits administered by the Employees Retirement System of Rhode Island.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7253](#)

BY Edwards, Bennett, Kislak, O'Brien, Donovan, Fellela, Kennedy, Carson, Fogarty, Casimiro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES --

RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- ADMINISTRATION {LC4112/1} (Changes the teacher and state employees' retirement benefit calculations' cutoff date from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2012, for all retirement members eligible to and who retire on or after the new July 1, 2012, cutoff date.)

01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7391](#)

BY O'Brien, McEntee, Dawson, Corvese, Bennett, Solomon, Cotter, Casey, Kazarian, Casimiro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

{LC4417/1} (Reinstates, for all teachers and state employees who retired after July 1, 2012, their annual cost of living adjustment for retirement plan year 2026.)

01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7395](#)

BY McEntee, Craven, O'Brien, Serpa, Spears

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES --

RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTION AND BENEFITS {LC4440/1} (Permits paid members on the state labor relations board to continue to receive their retirement benefits.)

01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7500](#)

BY Shanley, Bennett, Voas, Stewart, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

{LC4876/1} (Changes the teacher and state employees' retirement benefit calculations' cutoff date from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2009, for all retirement members eligible to and who retire on or after the new July 1, 2009, cutoff date.)

02/04/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7683](#)

BY McEntee, Serpa, O'Brien, Spears, Caldwell, Biah, Donovan, Phillips, Messier, Furtado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

{LC4940/1} (Increases monthly minimum benefit for a spouse, domestic partner, former spouse.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7684](#)

(Dept. of Corrections)

BY Dawson, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC4943/1} (Includes the deputy chief of inspection and inspector within the provision of law related to retirement on service allowance relating to correctional officers.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7685](#)

BY O'Brien, Dawson, Shanley, Corvese, Azzinaro, Kennedy, McEntee, Noret, Bennett, Phillips

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC5029/1} (Adds probation and parole officers to the list of state law enforcement professionals, for purpose of retirement on service allowance.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7802](#)

BY O'Brien, McNamara, Craven, Azzinaro, Corvese, Fellela, Noret, McEntee, Donovan, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIRE FIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS {LC5032/1} (Adds probation officer and parole officer to the list of public safety employees that are entitled to their full salary if they are injured and become disabled as a result of performance of their job duties.)

02/12/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7806](#)

BY Finkelman, Paplauskas, Phillips, J. Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC5391/1} (Allows retired state employees to be reemployed by a municipality with no restrictions and with no loss of their existing retirement benefits.)

02/12/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8147](#)

BY Serpa, Fellela, Cotter, Messier, Shallcross Smith, O'Brien, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Costantino, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC5039/1} (Provides that retirees in the state pension system receive cost of living adjustments compounded into the retiree's total retirement benefits each year beginning January 1, 2026. This act would be prospective only.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8170](#)

BY O'Brien, Shallcross Smith, Solomon, Alzate, Baginski, Furtado, Voas, Serpa, Biah, Dawson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

{LC5313/1} (Restore the rights of school administrators and staff members, who have retired to exceed the ninety-day (90) cap on post-retirement employment and work up to one hundred eighty (180) days during a school year.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8185](#)

BY Baginski, Casimiro, Solomon, Read, Casey, DeSimone, O'Brien, J. Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE

POLICE {LC5378/1} (Amends the pension benefits for both current and former Rhode Island State Police members.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8189](#)

BY Finkelman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- EMPLOYER TAX CREDITS FOR RETIREMENT PLAN ESTABLISHMENT, PARTICIPATION AND AUTO-ENROLLMENT

{LC5303/1} (Establishes employer tax credits for establishing a retirement plan for employee participation with auto-enrollment.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8353](#)

BY Hull, Noret, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE

POLICE {LC6186/1} (Clarifies that the three-year final average compensation provision for retiring members of the state police applies to the superintendent and all members eligible and who retire on or after July 1, 2024.)

03/25/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7390](#)

BY Fellela, Serpa, Messier, Hull, Fogarty, Bennett, Donovan, McNamara, Noret, Shallcross Smith

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

{LC3366/1} (Allows teachers, state and municipal employees to retire upon the earlier of reaching age sixty (60) with thirty (30) years of service or the employee's retirement eligibility date under present state statutes.)

01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/13/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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