
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 7, 2026

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: Room 135 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7271](#)

BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Sanchez

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COOPERATIVE SERVICE AMONG SCHOOL DISTRICTS {LC4265/1} (Amends the composition of the urban collaborative in Providence and provides that it is governed by a board of trustees.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/09/2026 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7420](#)

BY Paplauskas, Hopkins, J. Brien, Fascia, Santucci, Nardone, Place, Newberry, Chippendale, Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT {LC3269/1} (Amends the current law on education to address unfunded mandates.)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7421](#)

BY Paplauskas, Hopkins, Nardone, Fascia, Place, Newberry, Chippendale, Roberts, Noret, J. Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC3604/1} (Increases transparency provisions and require reporting of the partially funded and unfunded school district costs.)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8428](#)

BY Cortvriend, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS {LC3798/1} (Includes shared services as one of the considerations in determining whether to authorize the creation of a regional school district.)

04/10/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [8430](#)

BY Cortvriend, McNamara

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO SHARED SERVICES BETWEEN RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICTS {LC6292/1} (Creates a special legislative commission to study and provide recommendations relating to shared services between Rhode Island school districts.)

04/10/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8462](#)

BY Cortvriend, McNamara, Knight, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES {LC6332/1} (Requires transition planning for high school students with disabilities, who have a “504” plan, like the transition planning required for high school students with disabilities, who have an individualized education program (IEP).)

04/17/2026 Introduced, referred to House Education

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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