
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**S-2833 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE SPONSOR
S-3254 & S-3255 HAVE BEEN ADDED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 7, 2026
TIME: Rise of the Senate
PLACE: Room 211 - State House

Presentation:

Presentation on Newport Hospital & Future Needs - Brown University Health

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2105](#)

(by request)

BY Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- RELOCATION OF UTILITY SERVICES {LC3262/1} (Utility relocation costs related to highway construction to be partially or fully paid for by the state.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2250](#)

(by request)

BY Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC3245/1} (Reinstates general revenue sharing of state aid among the 39 cities and towns in Rhode Island. The initial amount is based upon population, and increased annually thereafter based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2812](#)

BY McKenney, Appollonio, Burke, LaMountain, Murray, Gallo, Dimitri, DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- STATE AID TO LIBRARIES {LC5438/1} (Requires that the state's share to support public library services in fiscal year 2027 be fixed at twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount appropriated and expended by the city or town in the second preceding fiscal year.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [3126](#)

(by request)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES--LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC6148/1} (Exempts from sales tax the amount paid for a parking space at municipally operated beach parking in the town of Middletown.)

03/20/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [3130](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- STATE AID TO LIBRARIES {LC6151/1} (Increases reimbursement caps promulgated in 2018 and applies to eligible costs for library projects incurred from June 30, 2025 through June 30, 2031, or ending earlier if the Office of Library Information Services amends the regulations.)

03/20/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Resolution No. [3183](#)

BY DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Tikoian, Ciccone, Thompson

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000 TO 401 TECH BRIDGE TO STUDY AND EXPLORE SEAGLIDERS IN RHODE ISLAND {LC6247/1} (This resolution would make an appropriation of \$250,000 to 401 Tech Bridge to study and explore seaglidgers.)

04/03/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2367](#)

BY Lawson, Tikoian, Ciccone, Murray, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER SAVINGS ACCOUNT ACT {LC4559/1} (Allows an individual, who is a first-time homebuyer, to contribute funds to a first-time homebuyer savings account with Rhode Island housing to pay for eligible costs to purchase a home and receive tax deductions and exemptions.)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2371](#)

BY Paolino, Ciccone, Gu, Acosta, Mack, Vargas, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION {LC3308/1} (Establishes a revolving fund to assist first-time home buyers and veterans to purchase a home in Rhode Island by issuing grants of up to forty thousand dollars (\$40,000).)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2442](#)

BY Paolino, Mack, Rogers, DiPalma, Appollonio, Thompson, Quezada, Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- FIRST-TIME HOME BUYER SAVINGS PROGRAM ACT {LC3304/1} (Establishes the first-time home buyer savings program act. Allows modifications to federal adjusted gross income for \$50,000 in contributions and \$150,000 of interest and dividends included in federal adjusted gross income.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2450](#)

BY Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX {LC4867/1} (Requires that the tax imposed upon the conveyance of any real property that is located in more than one municipality to be allocated between or among the municipalities in proportions to the assessed value of the property located in each municipality.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2453](#)

BY Burke, LaMountain, Tikoian, Thompson, Felag, Patalano, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC4809/1} (Allows the waiver of interest on overdue taxes for commercial properties.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2552](#)

BY Famiglietti, Ciccone, Bell, Bissaillon, Mack, Zurier, Kallman, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC4025/1} (Increases the amount of state aid distributed to the towns and cities through appropriation in lieu of property tax provisions applicable to certain private and state properties that are exempt from property tax.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Resolution No. [2670](#)

BY Bissaillon, Mack

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$850,000 FOR NEW BRIDGES FOR HAITIAN SUCCESS {LC5247/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of \$850,000 for New Bridges for Haitian Success for the purpose of residential property acquisition for transitional housing to support immigrants with temporary protected status (TPS) and asylum status.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2681](#)

BY Murray, Bissailon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HOUSING -- STATE-FUNDED RENTAL SUBSIDY PROGRAM {LC5596/1} (Establishes the state-funded rental subsidy program.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2682](#)

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NON-OWNER OCCUPIED PROPERTY TAX ACT {LC5700/1} (Provides an exemption for non-insulated, non-winterized property used by the taxpayer, not located in a substandard area, and continuously owned by the taxpayer for twenty-five (25) years.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2684](#)

BY Burke, Bissailon, Thompson, Famiglietti, Patalano, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC5330/1} (Exempts from sales tax the amount paid for a parking space to a patron for one hour or less, in or on a parking facility on which a commercial establishment is located.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Bill No. [2808](#)

BY E Morgan, Felag, Rogers, Urso, Thompson, Paolino, Ciccone, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES -- TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM {LC5490/1} (Establishes a property tax deferral program for senior citizens, disabled persons or veterans.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

~~Senate Bill No. [2833](#)~~

~~BY Valverde, Ciccone, Lauria, DiPalma, Acosta, Bissailon, Kallman, Felag, Pearson, Quezada~~

~~ENTITLED~~, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- RHODE ISLAND LOCAL INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT ACT {LC5425/1} (Provides a tax credit to a taxpayer that makes a qualified investment in a qualified business.)

~~03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance~~

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

Senate Bill No. [3254](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC6405/1}
(Provides that any facility operated by the federal Department of Defense would be eligible for payment in lieu of taxes.)

05/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

Senate Resolution No. [3255](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$991,000 FOR THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN {LC6404/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$991,000 for the town of Middletown to upgrade the gymnasium at the new Middletown middle high school to serve a regional emergency shelter.)

05/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 7, 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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TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

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