
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**S-2664 WILL NOT BE HEARD AT THIS TIME
PROPOSED SUB A FOR S-2764 HAS BEEN ADDED
S-2445 & S-2839 HAVE BEEN ADDED**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, May 12, 2026

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 211 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING

House Bill No. [7127](#)

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027

{LC4134/1}

01/15/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

[Governor's Budget Amendment #7:](#) Virtual Net Metering and Renewable Energy
Standards

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2098](#)

BY Zurier, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- CIGARETTE, OTHER TOBACCO
PRODUCTS, AND ELECTRONIC NICOTINE-DELIVERY SYSTEM PRODUCTS {LC3424/1}

(Includes menthol as a flavored electronic nicotine-delivery system product.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/21/2026 Meeting postponed

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [3272](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE
ENERGY STANDARD {LC6452/1} (Requires the electric distribution companies to offer system
owner/operators 30 year contracts, with various terms including guaranteeing the delivery of net
metering credits valued at \$0.19, with an annual escalation of 2.75%.)

05/08/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2764](#)

BY Tikoian, Burke, Raptakis, Ciccone, Patalano, Famiglietti, Gallo, Thompson, Dimitri, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD {LC5662/1} (Expands RI's Renewable Energy Standard to include nuclear and hydroelectric power as eligible zero-emission resources and sets rules for how they qualify.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

05/08/2026 Committee transferred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2031](#)

BY Ujifusa, DiPalma, Ciccone, Famiglietti, DiMario, Valverde, Gu, McKenney, Murray, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF {LC3265/1}

(Increases the income range up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and tax credit up to eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850), for elderly and disabled persons who own or rent their homes.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2087](#)

BY Acosta, Mack, Vargas, Zurier, Quezada, Bell, Bissaillon, Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC3803/1}

(Includes municipal detention facility corporations as exempt from taxation, and requires that an amount equal to 27% of all tax that would have been collected if the property was taxable be paid to the municipality annually.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2232](#)

BY Gu, DiPalma, Murray, Acosta, DiMario, Ciccone, Zurier, Felag, Kallman, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX

{LC4251/1} (Allows a municipality to set its own conveyance tax rate for residential properties sold in excess of \$900,000.00 at \$10 per \$500. Provides collected taxes to be in a restricted account and distributed within 2 years for affordable housing.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2549](#)

BY Euer, Gu, Ujifusa, Bell, DiMario, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX ON GAINS FROM THE SALE OR

EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY {LC3243/1} (Creates new tax on gains from sale or exchange of real property held for short periods of time, 6 years or less, establishes a comprehensive framework to calculate and implement enforcement and provides imprisonment and/or fines for those who evade taxes.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [2558](#)

BY Bissaillon, Mack, Acosta, DiPalma

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$200,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND BLACK BUSINESS ASSOCIATION {LC5240/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$200,000 to the Rhode Island Black Business Association.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [2559](#)

BY Bissaillon, LaMountain, McKenney, Britto, Dimitri, Mack, DiPalma

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$3,000,000 TO RHODE ISLAND LEGAL SERVICES, INC. {LC5186/1} (Appropriates the sum of \$3,000,000 to Rhode Island Legal Services, Inc.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2664](#)

~~**BY Britto, Dimitri, DiMario, Zurier, Bissaillon, Urso**~~

~~**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT {LC4371/1} (Removes the requirement that 5% of the hotel tax generated from the South County tourism district be paid to the Greater Providence-Warwick Convention and Visitors Bureau.)~~

~~02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance~~

~~05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

Senate Bill No. [2674](#)

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES TO FUND THE PROVIDENCE HOUSING TRUST FUND TO FINANCE AFFORDABLE MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING PROJECTS IN THE CITY {LC4832/1} (Authorizes the city of Providence to issue not more than \$25,000,000 in general obligation bonds and notes to fund the providence housing trust fund to finance affordable multi-family housing projects in the city.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2809](#)

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Ciccone, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP TAX CREDIT {LC4785/1} (Establishes a tax credit for businesses transitioning to employee ownership.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [3016](#)

BY Bissaillon, Bell, Ciccone, DiPalma, Lawson

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$800,000 TO WATERFIRE PROVIDENCE {LC6047/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$800,000 to WaterFire Providence.)

03/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [3019](#)

BY McKenney

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$200,000 TO THE HOUSING NETWORK: THE RHODE ISLAND ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT HOUSING DEVELOPERS, DBA HOUSING NETWORK OF RHODE ISLAND {LC6050/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$ 200,000 to the Housing Network of Rhode Island.)

03/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [3087](#)

BY Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE CITY BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25,000,000 BONDS, NOTES AND/OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR {LC6069/1} (Authorizes the City of Central Falls to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$25,000,000 to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities in the city.)

03/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [3213](#)

BY Vargas, Quezada, Euer, DiPalma, Acosta, Bissaillon, Mack, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO -- 2026 BOND REFERENDA {LC6246/1} (Authorizes the State of Rhode Island to issue up to eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000) in general obligation bonds, subject to voter approval, to support the Roger Williams Park Zoo.)

04/14/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2839](#)

(Dept. of Corrections)

BY LaMountain, Burke, Dimitri, Bissaillon, Patalano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC4966/1} (Includes the deputy chief of inspection and inspector within the provision of law related to retirement on service allowance relating to correctional officers.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

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05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/08/2026 Meeting postponed

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2445](#)

BY DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Tikoian, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES {LC4625/1} (Prohibits state agencies from entering into software contracts that limit the agency's ability to install or run the software of the agency's choosing on their hardware.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/09/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [2764 SUB A](#)

{LC5662/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, May 12, 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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