
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

H-8562 HAS BEEN ADDED

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 21, 2026

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [8190](#)

BY Phillips, Corvese, Noret, Newberry, Santucci, Hopkins, Casey, Voas, Azzinaro, J. Brien ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- ESTATE AND TRANSFER TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC5779/1} (Increase the estate exemption to \$5,000,000 for January 1, 2027, \$7,500,000 for January 1, 2029, \$10,000,000 for January 1, 2031. This act would eliminate the estate tax for decedents whose death occurs on or after January 1, 2033.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/15/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8528](#)

BY Baginski, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM -- 2026 BOND REFERENDA {LC6416/1} (Submits the State's 2026 capital development program requesting the issuance of general obligation bonds for approval of the electorate at the general election to be held in November 2026.)

05/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/15/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8529](#)

BY Baginski, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIFE SCIENCE HUB ACT {LC6426/1} (Amends the compositions of the Rhode Island life science hub board of directors and amends the I-195 redevelopment district commission and provides additional amendments to the powers and duties of the commission.)

05/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/15/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8562](#)

BY Blazejewski, Kazarian, Hull, Caldwell, Shanley, Lima, Cotter, Spears, Azzinaro, Nardone ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL {LC6482/1} (Establishes the office of inspector general to investigate the management and operation of agencies in an effort to prevent and deter fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in the expenditure of public funds.)

05/19/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/19/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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