
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING & MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

**PROPOSED SUB A FOR S-2268, AND PROPOSED SUB A/2 FOR S-2899 HAVE BEEN ADDED
H-7046 & H-7373 WILL NOT BE HEARD AT THIS TIME**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 21, 2026

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 212 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2263](#)

**BY Patalano, Ciccone, Thompson, LaMountain, Dimitri, E Morgan, Appollonio, Burke,
Famiglietti, Urso**

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
FARMLAND PRESERVATION ACT {LC4304/1} (Prohibits any city, town, quasi-municipal
corporation or public corporation from assessing any existing agricultural operation or agricultural
land for the extension of any water utilities past the property and from imposing any connection
fee.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

03/09/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3034](#)

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Dimitri, Tikoian, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- DEFINITIONS
AND GENERAL CODE PROVISIONS {LC5134/1} (Clarifies when mobile equipment can travel
on a public highway as an incidentally permitted practice limited to the active participation in an
active work zone.)

03/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

03/09/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3097](#)

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Britto, McKenney, Burke, Urso, Bissailon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- EQUIPMENT
AND ACCESSORIES GENERALLY {LC5136/1} (Requires every vehicle that operates in
intrastate commerce be permanently marked with a US DOT Number effective April 1, 2027.)

03/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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03/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
03/26/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2690](#)

BY Gu, Bissaillon, Murray, Burke, Mack, DiMario, Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING {LC5725/1} (Amends the current law on low-income housing to include moderate-income housing and eliminates the income percentages used to determine qualifications for low or moderate income housing.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government
04/03/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
04/09/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2268](#)

BY Kallman, Bissaillon, DiMario, Gu, Mack, DiPalma, Rogers, McKenney, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- FAITH-BASED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ACT {LC4244/1} (Allows faith-based organizations to develop affordable and mixed-use housing on land they own as a by-right use, set statewide development standards, limit local barriers, and streamline approvals to expand housing supply.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government
04/13/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
04/16/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2899](#)

BY McKenney, Raptakis, Britto, Zurier, Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW {LC5047/1} (Amends various sections of the condominium law to enhance transparency and establish a condominium ombudsman.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government
03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
04/02/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/08/2026 Scheduled for consideration
05/11/2026 Proposed Substitute
05/11/2026 Proposed Substitute
05/12/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7046](#)

BY ~~Donovan, Speakman~~

~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3146/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Blithewold, Inc., located at 101 Ferry Road, Bristol, Rhode Island.)~~

~~01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing~~

~~01/16/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~01/20/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study~~

~~01/23/2026 Scheduled for consideration~~

~~01/27/2026 Committee recommends passage~~

~~01/30/2026 Placed on House Calendar~~

~~02/03/2026 House read and passed~~

~~02/06/2026 Referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government~~

~~05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration~~

House Bill No. [7373](#)

BY ~~Felix, Stewart, Shalleross Smith, Messier, Cruz, Tanzi, Furtado, Kazarian, Spears, Potter~~

~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC4487/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Blackstone Valley Advocacy Center located in the city of Pawtucket.)~~

~~01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing~~

~~01/30/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~02/03/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study~~

~~02/19/2026 Scheduled for consideration~~

~~02/26/2026 Committee recommends passage~~

~~02/27/2026 Placed on House Calendar~~

~~03/03/2026 House read and passed~~

~~03/13/2026 Referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government~~

~~05/15/2026 Scheduled for consideration~~

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [3160](#)

BY Bissaillon, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC5866/1} (Provides an eight percent (8%) tax rate for those properties that are encumbered by a deed restriction for low-income housing set at eight percent (80%) or sixty percent (60%) of adjusted median income established by HUD.)

03/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3261](#)

BY E Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- VETERANS' EXEMPTIONS -- TOWN OF EXETER {LC6381/1} (Creates an exemption from property taxes in the amount of \$5,000 for any veteran of the military or naval service of the United States who is to be totally disabled through a service-connected disability in the town of Exeter.)

05/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3262](#)

BY de la Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION-PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- GLOCESTER -- EXEMPTION OF ELDERLY AND DISABLED PERSONS {LC6380/1} (Amends the current statute governing exemptions from property taxes for elderly and the disabled in the town of Gloucester.)

05/05/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3292](#)

BY Raptakis, Rogers, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND {LC6425/1} (Authorizes permitting authorities to require maintenance guarantees for a period of up to 2 years following completion, inspection, and acceptance of public improvement projects.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3293](#)

BY Patalano, Vargas, Gallo, LaMountain, Tikoian, de la Cruz, Thompson, Raptakis, Famiglietti, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC6453/1} (Changes tax exemptions to tax credits in the city of Cranston.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3299](#)

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND {LC6374/1} (Provides that minor subdivisions include single family infill subdivisions and establishes procedures for single family infill subdivisions within the subdivision of land chapter of the general laws.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3300](#)

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RHODE ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE ACT {LC6373/1} (Amends various provisions relative to adaptive reuse projects on state-owned property and certain conditions applied thereto.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3301](#)

BY Bissaillon, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE -- ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT {LC6375/1} (Authorizes municipalities to make an emergency declaration under limited circumstances to allow for the construction and use of SAFE Units on a temporary basis which have specialized requirements and exemptions from the state fire and building codes.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3302](#)

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS -- SUPERIOR COURT {LC6439/1} (Provides technical amendments relating to comprehensive planning and land use, subdivision of land, zoning ordinances and low- and moderate-income housing.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3303](#)

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC6376/1} (Amends the standards and limitations on permitted parking requirements for dwelling units.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

Senate Bill No. [3298](#)

BY Mack, Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- HOMELESS BILL OF RIGHTS {LC6398/1} (Provides certain procedures that must be followed before an encampment can be removed or relocated.)

05/15/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [2268 SUB A](#)
{LC4244/A/1}

Senate Bill No. [2899 SUB A](#)
{LC5047/A/2}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 21, 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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