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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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**S-2853, S-2854, S-2865 HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THIS AGENDA**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, July 7, 2020

**TIME:** 4:00 PM

**PLACE:** Room 35 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [8039](#)**

**BY Mattiello, Lima, Millea, Handy**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CRANSTON TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$147,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 50% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5446/1} (Authorizes the city of Cranston to issue \$147,000,000 general obligation bonds for school facility improvements upon voter approval.)

06/18/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

07/02/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8040](#)**

**BY Abney, Carson, Ruggiero**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEWPORT TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$106,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE ALL COSTS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF: (I) AN ADDITION TO THE CLAIBORNE PELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CLASSROOMS AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT SPACE, SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND PARKING AND (II) A NEW SCHOOL FACILITY FOR THE WILLIAM S. ROGERS HIGH SCHOOL, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5382/1} (Authorizes the city of Newport to issue not more than \$106,500,000 general obligation bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness to finance all costs relating to school improvements.)

06/18/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

07/02/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8041](#)**

**BY McNamara, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Bennett, Solomon**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WARWICK TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$56,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2022 THROUGH 2026, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5410/1} (Authorizes Warwick to issue up to fifty-six million dollars (\$56,000,000) in bonds/notes for schools/school facilities upon voter approval.)

06/18/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

07/02/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8042](#)**

**BY Place, Newberry**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 45% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5387/1} (Authorizes the town of Burrillville to issue not more than \$7,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.)

06/18/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

07/02/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2853](#)**

**BY Euer, DiPalma**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEWPORT TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$106,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE ALL COSTS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF: (I) AN ADDITION TO THE CLAIBORNE PELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CLASSROOMS AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT SPACE, SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND PARKING AND (II) A NEW SCHOOL FACILITY FOR THE WILLIAM S. ROGERS HIGH SCHOOL, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS

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05/29/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration  
06/02/2020 Committee recommends passage  
06/15/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar  
06/17/2020 Senate read and passed  
06/18/2020 Referred to House Finance  
07/03/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2854](#)**

**BY de la Cruz**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 45% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5386/1} (Authorizes the town of Burrillville to issue not more than \$7,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.)

06/10/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance  
06/12/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration  
06/16/2020 Committee recommends passage  
06/16/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar  
06/18/2020 Senate read and passed  
06/19/2020 Referred to House Finance  
07/03/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2865](#)**

**BY McCaffrey**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WARWICK TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$56,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2022 THROUGH 2026, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY {LC5413/1}

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06/12/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration  
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06/16/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar  
06/18/2020 Senate read and passed  
06/19/2020 Referred to House Finance  
07/03/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The meeting will be televised live on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15 and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers. It will also be live streamed at <http://ritv.devosvideo.com/show?video=cd679c40105a>.

No in-person public testimony will be taken nor will the meeting be open to the public. We are taking public testimony 2 different ways. Documents provided at the hearing will be made available on the General Assembly website: <http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HFIN.aspx>

Written testimony is encouraged and should be submitted to [cobrien@rilegislature.gov](mailto:cobrien@rilegislature.gov).

For those who would prefer the option to provide verbal testimony please send an email to [cobrien@rilegislature.gov](mailto:cobrien@rilegislature.gov) with the following information:

Bill # you are testifying on  
For/Against  
Your Name and Phone number (to be reached for your testimony)  
Affiliation: (if any)

**\*Deadline to request verbal testimony is Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 11 am.**

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