
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, June 11, 2020

TIME: 5:00 PM

PLACE: House Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7051](#)

BY McEntee, Tanzi, Fogarty, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS

{LC3288/1} (Authorizes the town council of the town of South Kingstown to create a municipal court and housing court and defines the respective jurisdiction of those two courts.)

01/09/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/30/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7081](#)

BY McKiernan, Hull, Lombardi, Almeida, Mattiello

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO

TAXATION--EXEMPTIONS {LC3490/1} (Includes the real and tangible personal property of St. John Baptist De La Salle Institute, d/b/a La Salle Academy, a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation, located in Providence, Rhode Island, on the list of properties exempt from taxation.)

01/10/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/30/2020 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

03/06/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7192](#)

BY O'Brien, Corvese, Shekarchi, Ackerman, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AMENDING THE CHARTER OF NORTH

PROVIDENCE {LC3795/1} (Amends the North Providence legislative town charter to gradually increase the mayor's compensation from (\$75,000.00) to (\$85,000.00) for FY 2020, to (\$95,000.00) for FY 2021, to (\$105,000.00) beginning on FY 2022 and each year thereafter.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/30/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7252](#)

BY Azzinaro, Filippi, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOL BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES {LC3803/1} (Allows Westerly to exempt from the provisions of this section any proposed Class B liquor license to be located at 114 Granite Street, Westerly.)

01/23/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/30/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7257](#)

BY Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOG ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES -- FOSTER {LC3806/1} (Authorizes the Foster town council to enact ordinances permitting the dog officer in the town to issue citations for the violation of dog ordinances.)

01/23/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/14/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/27/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7258](#)

BY Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- IMPOUNDMENT AND DISPOSITION OF UNCOLLARED DOGS -- FOSTER {LC3879/1} (Authorizes the Foster town council to enact an impoundment fee for impounded dogs.)

01/23/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/14/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/27/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7555](#)

BY Kennedy, Azzinaro, Price

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE FIRST HOPKINTON CEMETERY ASSOCIATION," PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1880, AS AMENDED {LC3701/1} (Amends the corporate charter of The First Hopkinton Cemetery Association passed at the January session A.D. 1880, as amended.)

02/12/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/05/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7849](#)

BY Mendez, Blazejewski, McKiernan, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

{LC4389/1} (Allows the city of Providence board of licenses to grant an exemption with regard to the proximity to schools and churches relating to the issuance of an alcoholic beverage retail license for property located at 601 Hartford Avenue, Providence, RI.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/05/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7851](#)

BY Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL

TAXES {LC4403/1} (Authorizes the town of Burrillville to establish an ordinance to stabilize tax assessments or provide credits for physical improvements to substandard buildings for a period of ten (10) years from the date of completion.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

03/06/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7853](#)

BY Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- THEATER LICENSES

{LC4397/1} (Expands the definition of legitimate theaters to the town of Burrillville.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

03/06/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7915](#)

BY Ackerman, Phillips, McLaughlin, Marszalkowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - HISTORIC RESIDENCE - TAX CREDIT

{LC5024/1} (Amends the definition of "Commission" to include the Cumberland local historic district commission.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

03/06/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/12/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2020 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7986](#)

BY Casey, Morin, Phillips

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION {LC5280/1} (Authorizes the city of Woonsocket to adopt by ordinance tax amnesty periods during its 2021 fiscal year.)

03/11/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8013](#)

BY Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO FINANCE LIBRARY RENOVATIONS, REPAIRS AND/OR EXPANSION AND/OR RELATED EQUIPMENT BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR {LC5370/1} (Authorizes the Town of Jamestown to issue not more than \$1,500,000 bonds and notes to finance various improvements at the town's library and related equipment.)

06/09/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8016](#)

BY Giraldo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC5401/1} (Creates class of owner-occupied dwellings of 5 or less/limits effective tax rates for all classes/extends home exemption to owner-occupied property of 5 units or less.

Retroactive to July 1, 2020.)

06/09/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8017](#)

BY Ruggiero, Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO FINANCE ACQUIRING AND PRESERVING OPEN SPACE AND ACQUIRING, PRESERVING, RESTORING AND IMPROVING RECREATIONAL AREAS IN THE TOWN BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR {LC5399/1} (Authorizes Middletown to issue up to \$5,000,000 in bonds/notes to acquire/preserve open space/restore improve recreational areas subject to voter appeal.)

06/09/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2074](#)

BY Seveney, DiPalma, Coyne, Satchell, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS -- PRUDENCE ISLAND SCHOOL FOUNDATION {LC3822/1} (Enables the town council of Portsmouth to transfer and/or convey parcels of land owned by the town on Prudence Island to the Prudence Island School Foundation to be used for educational purposes.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

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02/21/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/27/2020 Committee recommends passage
03/03/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
03/05/2020 Senate read and passed
03/06/2020 Referred to House Municipal Government
06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2095](#)

(by request)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOL BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES {LC3401/1} (Allows Westerly to exempt from the provisions of this section any proposed Class B liquor license to be located at 114 Granite Street, Westerly.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs
01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
01/29/2020 Committee recommends passage
01/30/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
02/05/2020 Senate read and passed
02/06/2020 Referred to House Municipal Government
06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2096](#)

BY Ciccone, Lombardi, Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES {LC2988/1} (Allows the city of Providence board of licenses to grant an exemption with regard to the proximity to schools and churches relating to the issuance of an alcoholic beverage retail license for property located at 601 Hartford Avenue, Providence, RI.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs
01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
01/29/2020 Committee recommends passage
01/30/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
02/05/2020 Senate read and passed
02/06/2020 Referred to House Municipal Government
06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2129](#)

BY Sosnowski, Algieri, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS {LC3734/1} (Authorizes the town council of the town of South Kingstown to create a municipal court and housing court and defines the respective jurisdiction of those two courts.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
01/30/2020 Committee recommends passage
02/04/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
02/11/2020 Senate read and passed
02/12/2020 Referred to House Municipal Government
06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2310](#)

BY Murray, Picard, Raptakis, Crowley, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

{LC4143/1} (Exempts 43 Railroad Street, Woonsocket, Plat 14R, Lot 205 from the provisions of § 3-7-19 regarding the permitting of alcoholic beverages retail licenses within a certain proximity to schools and churches.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs
02/07/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/12/2020 Committee recommends passage
02/13/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
02/26/2020 Senate read and passed
02/27/2020 Referred to House Municipal Government
06/09/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2332](#)

BY Ruggerio, Archambault, Paolino, Nesselbush, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AMENDING THE CHARTER OF NORTH

PROVIDENCE {LC4014/1} (Amends the North Providence legislative town charter to gradually increase the mayor's compensation from (\$75,000.00) to (\$85,000.00) for FY 2020, to (\$95,000.00) for FY 2021, to (\$105,000.00) beginning on FY 2022 and each year thereafter.)

02/06/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government
02/21/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
02/27/2020 Committee recommends passage
03/03/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar
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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/HMGV.aspx>

Written testimony is encouraged and should be submitted to dhuntley@rilegislature.gov.

For those who would prefer the option to provide verbal testimony please send an email to dhuntley@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 Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 11am.**

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