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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 4, 2025  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** Room 101 - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5270](#)**  
**BY McGaw**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC1023/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of the Friends of Little Compton Wellness Center, Inc.)  
01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing  
01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration  
02/04/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study  
02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration



**House Bill No. [5369](#)**  
**BY Ajello, Morales, J. Lombardi, Hull, Slater, DeSimone, Diaz, Kislak**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC594/1} (Exempts from property taxation, the real and tangible personal property of the Providence Preservation Society.)  
02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing  
02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration  
02/27/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study  
02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration



### SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5236](#)**  
**BY Phillips, Bennett, Corvese, Chippendale, J. Brien, Serpa, Fellela, Casey**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC746/1} (Subjects residential properties which are a part of certain federal programs to a 12% tax of the prior year's rental income.)  
01/29/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing  
02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5306](#)**  
(City of Providence)  
**BY DeSimone, Biah, Diaz, Slater, Hull**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION -- CAPITAL CENTER COMMISSION {LC967/1} (Repeals legislation establishing the Capital Center Commission, which is a special development district commission for downtown Providence.)  
02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing  
02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5307](#)**  
(City of Providence)  
**BY DeSimone, Biah, Azzinaro, Ajello, Diaz, Slater, Hull**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC972/1} (Authorizes the Providence city council to set the veterans tax exemption limit to an amount determined by the city council via ordinance or resolution.)  
02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing  
02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5368](#)**

(City of Providence)

**BY Slater, Ajello**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC965/1} (Permits the city of Providence to tax in excess of the levy cap for fiscal year 2026.)

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5511](#)**

**BY Finkelman**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT {LC1509/1} (Allows the commissioners of the water and sewer commission for the town of Jamestown to limit its public water system's obligation to supply water only within designated and described area as opposed to the entire land area of the town.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5686](#)**

(CRMC)

**BY Fogarty, Carson, Hull, Cortvriend, Corvese, Diaz, Bennett, McGaw, Speakman, Caldwell**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL {LC1771/1} (Requires municipalities to maintain and update a list of CRMC designated rights-of-way to tidal areas in their municipality.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5688](#)**

(Providence)

**BY Speakman, Casey, Kislak, Diaz**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC1479/1} (Provides an 8% tax rate for those properties that are encumbered by a deed restriction for low-income housing set at 80% or 60% of adjusted median income established by HUD.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5693](#)**

**BY Serpa, Noret, Read**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES {LC2040/1} (Allows municipalities to seek recovery of fines associated with ordinance violations by permitting the municipality to include the fines on a property tax bill.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5694](#)**

**BY Cortvriend, Finkelman, Carson, Spears**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC1759/1} (Allows the town of Middletown to adopt a tax classification plan for residential real estate which divides the class into non-owner and owner-occupied properties with separate tax rates.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5695](#)**

**BY Voas, Messier, Stewart, Casey, Finkelman, Solomon, Casimiro, Slater, Hull, DeSimone**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC808/1} (Permits municipalities to enact ordinances that provide them the authority to organize local tax amnesty events once every three (3) years.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5696](#)**

**BY Perez, Lima, Fellela, Hull, Hopkins**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC650/1} (Places a cap of twenty percent (20%) on increases in consecutive revaluations of real property in all cities and towns conducting revaluations commencing December 31, 2025, and every December 31 thereafter.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5699](#)**

**BY Hull, Diaz, DeSimone, J. Lombardi, Felix, Fogarty**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC1978/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Codac, Inc., a Rhode Island nonprofit domestic corporation, located at 45 Royal Little Drive in Providence, Rhode Island.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5703](#)**

**BY Fogarty, McEntee, Tanzi, Shallcross Smith, Carson, Donovan, Spears, Cotter, Caldwell, Cortvriend**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE KINGSTON WATER DISTRICT -- BONDS {LC1706/1} (Increases the maximum amount of the Kingston water district bonding authority from four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000).)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5965](#)**

**BY Lima, Potter, Baginski, McNamara, Handy, Bennett**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC2005/1} (Grants the city council of Cranston the authority to enact a homestead exemption ordinance.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5966](#)**

**BY Morales, Batista**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC2083/1} (Allows city of Providence to levy a tax in fiscal year 2026, in an amount not to exceed seven percent (7%) in excess of the total amount levied and certified by that city for its previous fiscal year.)

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