
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

H-7222 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE SPONSOR

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, February 3, 2026

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: Room 135 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7223](#)

BY Boylan

ENTITLED,

AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS {LC4376/1} (Names the new coveside dog park, located at Haines Memorial State Park in Barrington "The Christine Conrad Lane Memorial Dog Park.")

01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

01/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/27/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

01/30/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Resolution No. [7228](#)

BY Handy, Fogarty, Boylan

ENTITLED,

HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CREATION OF A STATEWIDE WHOLE-HOME REPAIRS PROGRAM {LC3964/1} (Extends the reporting date of the special legislative commission to study and provides recommendations for the creation of a statewide whole-home repairs program from January 5, 2026, to June 30, 2026, and said commission expires on August 30, 2026.)

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01/27/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

01/30/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Resolution No. [7301](#)

BY Carson

ENTITLED,

HOUSE RESOLUTION REINSTATING THE LIFE OF AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLICIES THAT DEAL WITH NUMEROUS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SHORT-TERM RENTALS ISSUES {LC3205/1}

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01/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/27/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

01/30/2026 Scheduled for consideration

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House Bill No. [7150](#)

BY Paplauskas, Hopkins, Fascia, Place, Quattrocchi, Santucci, Roberts, Newberry, Noret, J. Brien

ENTITLED,

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS {LC3581/1} (Prohibits municipalities from restricting certain landscaping equipment based on its power source.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

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

House Bill No. [7222](#)

**BY Kislak, Fogarty, Carson, McGaw, Boylan, Speakman, Cortvriend, Handy, Bennett, Donovan
ENTITLED,**

AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PESTICIDE CONTROL
{LC3805/1} (Creates rodent integrated pest management pilot programs for municipalities that choose to participate. Reports to be approved by the municipality's mayor or administrator and submitted to the department of environmental management.)

01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

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

House Bill No. [7224](#)

**BY Edwards, Bennett, Kislak, Corvese, Carson, Fogarty, Casimiro
ENTITLED,**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- AWARD OF MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS {LC4107/1} (Increases the maximum municipal small purchase limits from \$10,000 to \$25,000 for construction projects and from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for all other municipal purchases.)
01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing
01/30/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7298](#)

**BY Edwards
ENTITLED,**

AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC4125/1} (Allows the town of Tiverton to apply different tax rates to all classes of property.)
01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing
01/30/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7369](#)

(Auditor General)

**BY Felix, Santucci, Tanzi, McNamara, Place, Casey, Chippendale, Giraldo, Cruz, Stewart
ENTITLED,**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS AND INSTALLATION OF SYSTEMS {LC4186/1} (Amends the audit compliance requirements for municipalities' contributions to pension plans under the budget of accounts and installation of systems chapter.)

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

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

House Bill No. [7370](#)

**BY Place, Nardone, Hopkins, Quattrocchi, Fascia, Santucci, Chippendale
ENTITLED,**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - BURRILLVILLE AND GLOCESTER PUBLIC NOTICE ACT {LC4303/1} (Allows the towns of Burrillville and Gloucester to publish notices in any newspaper located within their municipalities and would also allow publication in other designated digital or print platforms selected by their town councils.)

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

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

House Bill No. [7373](#)

**BY Felix, Stewart, Shallcross 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.)

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