
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

PROPOSED SUB A HAS BEEN ADDED FOR S - 44

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 4, 2021

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Virtual Meeting via WebEx

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [43](#)

BY DiPalma, Seveney, Murray, de la Cruz, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION {LC294/1} (Requires the contracting department of the department of human services or the department of administration to pilot at least one contract for professional or technical services using automatic verification software to verify hours billed under contract.)

01/19/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [44](#)

BY Sosnowski, DiPalma, Seveney, Rogers, Raptakis

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

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER/EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ENABLING LEGISLATION {LC419/1} (Allows municipalities to establish a program providing property tax exemption to active duty individuals who volunteer services as a firefighter or emergency medical technician.)

01/19/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [94](#)

BY DiPalma, Euer, Rogers, Sosnowski, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONSERVATION AND

PRESERVATION RESTRICTIONS ON REAL PROPERTY {LC321/1} (Requires conservation and preservation restrictions to be liberally interpreted in favor of the grants awarded.)

01/26/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [158](#)

BY Felag, Gallo, Murray, Raptakis, Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE

ISLAND LIVABLE HOME MODIFICATION ACT {LC1177/1} (Establishes Rhode Island Livable Home Modification Grant to eligible homeowners and renters to retrofit their residence to nationally recognized accessibility standards.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [162](#)

BY Felag, Gallo, Murray, Raptakis, Cano, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOME COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY {LC1188/1} (Extends eligibility of the Home Community Care Services Program to persons under the age of 65 suffering from Alzheimer's or a related dementia confirmed by a licensed physician with income not exceeding 250% of the federal poverty level.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [229](#)

BY DiPalma, Picard, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX {LC1246/1} (Increases the housing resources restricted receipts account by \$.60 previously retained for state use.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [294](#)

BY Ciccone, McCaffrey, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX AMNESTY {LC1595/1} (Creates a ninety (90) day tax amnesty program in the state fiscal year 2021-2022)

02/18/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [363](#)

BY Murray, de la Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT {LC2182/1} (Allows North Smithfield historic residence owners to become eligible for state historic residence tax credits.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [365](#)

BY Kallman, Murray, Goodwin, Cano, Ruggerio, Euer, Acosta, Seveney, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX {LC1610/1} (Provides that a portion of the real estate conveyance tax be apportioned to a newly established restricted receipt account known as the housing production fund.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [374](#)

BY Sosnowski, Algiere, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 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, 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 {LC1964/1} (Authorizes the town of South Kingstown to issue not more than \$85,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [375](#)

BY de la Cruz, Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC253/1} (Authorizes fire districts to provide for an exemption, from fire taxes, for volunteer firefighters.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [44 SUB A](#)

{LC419/A/1}

The State House continues to be closed to the public at this time.

This meeting will be streamed live online through Capitol TV

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted to the committee by emailing it to:

jplume@rilegislature.gov

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 2:00 PM on Thursday, March 4, 2021, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

Members of the public can request to provide verbal testimony to the committee through the following link: [VERBAL TESTIMONY](#)

***Requests to provide verbal testimony must be submitted by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, March 3, 2021.**

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Committee Clerk

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