
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING & MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 5, 2026

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 212 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2036](#)

BY Ujifusa, Felag, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3148/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Blithewold, Inc., located at 101 Ferry Road, Bristol, Rhode Island.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2037](#)

BY Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3418/1} (Authorizes the town of Barrington to provide a tax dollar credit reduction for legally blind persons by ordinance.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2039](#)

BY Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3800/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of AS220 located in the city of Providence.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2040](#)

BY Ujifusa, Felag, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC3488/1} (Authorizes the town of Bristol to apply the owner-occupied tax rate for mixed-used properties where the residential portion is owner-occupied.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2041](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES {LC3740/1} (Authorizes the town council of Little Compton to establish a homestead exemption for residential dwellings.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2073](#)

BY Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3970/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Community MusicWorks located in the city of Providence.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2123](#)

BY Urso, Kallman, Britto, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC3218/1} (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Blackstone Valley Advocacy Center located in the city of Pawtucket.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2422](#)

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC4592/1} (Authorizes the town of Jamestown to authorize, by ordinance, the expansion of the local tax exemption ordinance for seniors.)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2470](#)

BY Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS {LC4837/1} (Permits the town of Barrington to assess an annual dog licensing fee of seven dollars (\$7.00).)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2472](#)

BY Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS {LC4838/1} (Increases the fines for dog ordinance violations in the town of Barrington.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2693](#)

BY Dimitri, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5654/1} (Authorizes the Johnston town council to set tax exemption limit to an amount determined by the city council via ordinance or resolution for qualified individuals defined in the act.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2700](#)

(By Request)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5409/1} (Authorizes the town of Middletown to adopt by ordinance, a veterans' property tax exemption to any veteran, who was honorably discharged, or discharged under conditions other than dishonorable, regardless of dates or periods of service.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, March 5, 2026, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

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