

The RI General Assembly has introduced 2594 bills/resolutions this session. Of these 2594 bills/resolutions 45 affect veterans. Below are the 16 veteran bills that passed in the RIGA 2025 session.

Senate Bill No. 1062

Chapter 122

BY Felag, Raptakis, Appollonio, Lauria, Gallo, Tikoian, Ciccone, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Renames the East Bay Bike Path Bridge, located in the Town of Warren, the Cpl. Richard C. Brule Bridge.)

{LC2890/1}

05/09/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/04/2025 Senate read and passed

06/17/2025 House passed in concurrence

06/23/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5043 SUB A/Companion S-71

Chapter 305

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Serpa, Casimiro, Kennedy, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Provides protection from and prevent the unethical, improper conduct and the collection of fees by, anyone advising or assisting a veteran filing a claim for disability benefits with the Department of Veterans Affairs except as authorized by federal law.)

{LC40/A/1}

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

04/08/2025 Committee recommends passage

04/29/2025 House read and passed

05/02/2025 Referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

06/18/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/20/2025 Senate passed Sub A

06/20/2025 House passed Sub A in concurrence

06/23/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/30/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5049 SUB A/Companion S-76

Chapter 046

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Serpa, Casimiro, Kennedy, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Removes the requirement that the applicant for a Bronze Star Medal license plate pay a registration fee or transfer charge.)

{LC51/A/1}

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

05/27/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/03/2025 House passed Sub A

06/10/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence

06/13/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5051 SUB A/Companion S-591

Chapter 005

BY Azzinaro, Edwards, Fellela, Casimiro, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RENAMING THE NEW SAKONNET RIVER BRIDGE, AQUIDNECK ISLAND (Names the new Sakonnet River Bridge as the “Staff Sergeant Christopher Potts Sakonnet River Bridge.” This act would take effect upon passage.) {LC445/A/1}

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

04/03/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

04/10/2025 House passed Sub A

05/01/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence

05/06/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5081 SUB A/Companion S-75

Chapter 081

BY Boylan, Donovan, Fellela, Serpa, Azzinaro, Giraldo, Casimiro, Abney, Ackerman, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS -- VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION CHECKS (Waives the fees for vehicle identification number inspections for veterans, including active duty military personnel and members of the National Guard and military reserves.) {LC67/A/1}

01/16/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

02/04/2025 Committee transferred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/20/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/27/2025 House read and passed

05/02/2025 Referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/10/2025 Senate passed Sub A

06/12/2025 House passed Sub A in concurrence

06/17/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5307/Companion S-720

Chapter 009

(City of Providence)

BY DeSimone, Biah, Azzinaro, Ajello, Diaz, Slater, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Authorizes the Providence city council to set the veterans tax exemption limit to an amount determined by the city council via ordinance or resolution.) {LC972/1}

02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/20/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/27/2025 House read and passed

04/17/2025 Referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

05/01/2025 Committee recommends passage in concurrence

05/22/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

05/30/2025 Effective without Governor's signature

House Bill No. 5370/Companion S-98

Chapter 189

BY Casimiro, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Provides tax credits or the equivalent assessment dollars to veterans, gold star parents, visually impaired persons and the elderly.)

{LC1242/1}

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

06/10/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/16/2025 House read and passed

06/18/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

06/24/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5460/Companion S-625

Chapter 165

BY Azzinaro, Hull, Abney, Read, Fellela, Casimiro, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- UNIFORM AERONAUTICAL REGULATORY ACT (Adds "space force" to many sections of the general laws, listing of military branches.)

{LC1288/1}

02/12/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

03/13/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/27/2025 House read and passed

05/31/2025 Referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage in concurrence

06/18/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

06/24/2025 Signed by Governor

House Resolution No. 6269

Resolution 257

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Lombardi, Shallcross Smith, Santucci, Casimiro, Read, Costantino, Lima

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN AND THE DESIGN OF A VIETNAM MEMORIAL TO BE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND (Extends the reporting and expiration dates of the commission to study a plan and the design of a Vietnam Memorial in Providence, from January 31, 2025, to January 31, 2028, and said commission would expire on April 30, 2028.)

{LC2802/1}

04/24/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

04/29/2025 Committee recommends passage

05/01/2025 House read and passed

Respectfully Submitted,

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