The RI General Assembly has introduced 2594 bills/resolutions this session. Of these 2594 bills/resolutions 45 affect veterans. Below are the bills/resolutions that affect veterans and their status as of 7-1-25.

Senate Bill No. 29

BY Raptakis, Felag, Britto, Tikoian, Patalano, Burke, Dimitri, Morgan, Valverde, Ujifusa, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD (Raises the amount of life insurance the state provides at no charge to Rhode Island National Guard members called up for federal duty to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).)

{LC42/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/22/2025)

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/22/2025)

04/29/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/03/2025 <u>Scheduled for consideration</u> (06/05/2025)

06/05/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/05/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Senate read and passed

Senate Bill No. 33

BY Felag, LaMountain, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto, Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Allows a modification to federal adjusted gross income of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) of social security income for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.) {LC233/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/30/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (06/03/2025)

06/03/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 71 SUB A as amended

BY Felag, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Provides protection and prevents 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.)

{LC238/A/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/30/2025)

04/30/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/10/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/12/2025)

06/11/2025 Proposed Substitute

06/12/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/13/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/17/2025)

06/17/2025 Senate passed Sub A as amended (floor amendment)

06/20/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/20/2025)

06/20/2025 House passed Sub A as amended in concurrence

06/23/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/30/2025 Signed by Governor

Senate Bill No. 72

BY Felag, Raptakis, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION FEES (Disabled veteran license plate may be transferred to veterans' spouse or issued to veteran or veterans spouse.)

{LC236/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/24/2025 Meeting postponed (02/26/2025)

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/05/2025)

03/05/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/07/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (03/13/2025)

03/13/2025 Senate read and passed

03/14/2025 Referred to House Veterans Affairs

Senate Bill No. 75 as amended

Chapter 082

BY Felag, Raptakis, Ciccone, Tikoian, Britto, Lauria

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.) {LC510/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/24/2025 Meeting postponed (02/26/2025)

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/05/2025)

03/05/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/18/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/30/2025)

04/30/2025 Committee recommends passage

05/01/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/08/2025)

05/08/2025 Senate passed as amended (floor amendment)

05/09/2025 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

05/30/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/04/2025)

06/04/2025 Committee recommends passage as amended in concurrence

06/09/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/12/2025)

06/12/2025 House passed as amended in concurrence

06/13/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/17/2025 Signed by Governor

Senate Bill No. 76 SUB A

Chapter 045 BY Gu, Felag **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Removes the requirement that applicants for a Bronze Star Medal license plate, pay a registration fee or transfer charge.)

{LC196/A/1}

01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/05/2025)

03/05/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/18/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/30/2025)

04/29/2025 Proposed Substitute

04/30/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

05/01/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/08/2025)

05/08/2025 Senate passed Sub A

05/09/2025 Referred to House Special Legislation

05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/27/2025)

05/27/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A in concurrence

06/06/2025 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 House passed Sub A in concurrence

06/10/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/13/2025 Signed by Governor

Senate Bill No. 98

Chapter 220

BY Valverde, DiMario

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.)

{LC640/1}

01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/24/2025)

05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/06/2025)

05/06/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/03/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/05/2025)

06/05/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/05/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Senate read and passed

06/16/2025 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (06/18/2025)

06/18/2025 House passed in concurrence

06/18/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/24/2025 Signed by Governor

Senate Bill No. 312

BY Kallman, Lauria, Acosta, Mack, Pearson, DiMario, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- HOLIDAYS (Changes the name of the holiday on the second Monday of August from Victory Day to Peace and Remembrance Day.)

{LC171/1}

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/19/2025)

03/19/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 341

BY Raptakis, Felag, LaMountain, Patalano, Sosnowski, McKenney, Burke, Appollonio, Thompson, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Provides a full property tax exemption for a veteran's real property used as the veteran's primary residence.)

{LC1381/1}

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/16/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/20/2025)

05/20/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 363

BY Felag, Raptakis, Appollonio, Burke, Euer, Bissaillon, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- MILITARY CHILD ACT (Defines "military-connected student", "advance enrollment" and "open enrollment" to give them flexibility in choosing a school district.) {LC1234/1}

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/09/2025)

04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 438

BY Raptakis, Felag, Sosnowski, Morgan, Murray, de la Cruz, Thompson, Bissaillon, Britto, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Provides a full property tax exemption for a veteran's real property used as the veteran's primary residence.)

{LC1805/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/29/2025)

05/29/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 444

BY DiPalma, Tikoian, Sosnowski, Dimitri, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE CREDITS (Allows members of the retirement system who served in the national guard or reserves and qualify as veterans, to purchase retirement service credits based on their years of service in the National guard or reserves.) {LC1225/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/08/2025)

05/08/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/06/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/10/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/12/2025)

06/12/2025 Senate read and passed

Senate Bill No. 456

BY Paolino, Quezada, Pearson, Acosta, Ciccone, LaMountain, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION (Establishes a revolving fund to assist first-time home buyers and veterans to purchase a home in Rhode Island by issuing grants of up to forty thousand dollars (\$40,000).) {LC367/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/04/2025)

03/04/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 591 SUB A

Chapter 006

BY Felag, DiPalma, Lauria, Raptakis, Tikoian, Euer

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.")

{LC2126/A/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/19/2025)

03/19/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/20/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (03/25/2025)

03/25/2025 Senate read and passed

03/26/2025 Referred to House Special Legislation

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/03/2025)

04/02/2025 Proposed Substitute

04/03/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

04/04/2025 Placed on House Calendar (04/10/2025)

04/10/2025 House passed Sub A

04/17/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence

05/01/2025 Transmitted to Governor

05/06/2025 Signed by Governor

Senate Bill No. 625 SUB A

Chapter 166

(Veterans Services)

BY Felag, LaMountain, Raptakis, Lauria, Thompson, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- UNIFORM AERONAUTICAL REGULATORY ACT (Adds "space force" to the branches of the military included in various sections of general law regarding the veterans home, veterans cemetery and the power of armed forces officers to take acknowledgements.)

{LC1323/A/1}

03/06/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/09/2025)

04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/18/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/30/2025)

04/30/2025 Committee recommends passage

05/01/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/08/2025)

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05/08/2025 Senate read and passed
05/09/2025 Referred to House State Government & Elections
06/06/2025 Scheduled for consideration
06/09/2025 Meeting postponed (06/12/2025)
06/09/2025 Committee transferred to House Veterans Affairs
06/10/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/12/2025)
06/10/2025 Proposed Substitute
06/12/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A
06/13/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/16/2025)
06/16/2025 House passed Sub A
06/17/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/18/2025)
06/18/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence
06/18/2025 Transmitted to Governor
06/24/2025 Signed by Governor
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Senate Bill No. 720

Chapter 010

BY Ciccone, Bissaillon, Felag, Mack, Quezada, Vargas

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.) {LC1618/1}

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/20/2025)

03/20/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/04/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/10/2025)

04/10/2025 Committee recommends passage

04/11/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Senate read and passed

05/02/2025 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/06/2025)

05/06/2025 Committee recommends passage in concurrence

05/16/2025 Placed on House Calendar (05/22/2025)

05/22/2025 House passed in concurrence

05/22/2025 Transmitted to Governor

05/30/2025 Effective without Governor's signature

Senate Bill No. 757

BY Patalano, DiMario, Ciccone, Appollonio, Thompson, Tikoian, Lawson, Burke, Britto, Urso **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD (Allows the dependents of a National Guard member, who is in good standing, to be eligible for tuition assistance.) {LC2273/1}

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/09/2025)

04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/30/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/02/2025)

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/02/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/04/2025)

06/04/2025 Senate read and passed

Senate Bill No. 879 SUB A

BY Lawson, LaMountain, Gallo, Lauria, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION FEES (Includes veterans 75 years or older with a combined service connected disability rating of 70% as eligible for disabled veterans license plates.) {LC2572/A/1}

03/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/02/2025)

04/02/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/30/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/02/2025)

05/30/2025 Proposed Substitute

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/02/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/04/2025)

06/04/2025 Senate passed Sub A

06/06/2025 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

06/06/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

06/07/2025 Meeting postponed (06/10/2025)

06/09/2025 Committee transferred to House Veterans Affairs

Senate Bill No. 914 SUB A

BY Felag, Ciccone, Euer, Thompson, Lauria, Appollonio, LaMountain, Murray **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Removes the fee for registration and plate transfer for a Distinguished Service Cross registration plate.)

{LC2612/A/1}

03/27/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/02/2025)

04/02/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/18/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/30/2025)

04/29/2025 Proposed Substitute

04/30/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

05/01/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/08/2025)

05/08/2025 Senate passed Sub A

05/09/2025 Referred to House Special Legislation

Senate Bill No. 915

BY Felag, Ciccone, Euer, Thompson, Lauria, Appollonio, LaMountain, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Eliminates the registration and service charge fees for National Guard plates.) {LC2631/1}

03/27/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/02/2025)

04/02/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 990

BY Dimitri, Thompson, Patalano, Burke, Britto, Appollonio, Tikoian **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- SAFEGUARDING AMERICAN VETERAN EMPOWERMENT ACT ("SAVE ACT") (Establishes the "safeguarding American veteran empowerment act".)

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{LC2267/1}
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04/16/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/23/2025)

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/30/2025)

04/30/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

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

05/09/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/13/2025)

05/13/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/30/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/02/2025)

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/02/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/04/2025)

06/04/2025 Senate read and passed

06/13/2025 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (06/17/2025)

06/17/2025 House passed in concurrence

06/17/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/23/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5043 SUB A

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

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/25/2025)

03/25/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/04/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/08/2025)

04/08/2025 Committee recommends passage

04/25/2025 Placed on House Calendar (04/29/2025)

04/29/2025 House read and passed

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

06/16/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/18/2025)

06/17/2025 Proposed Substitute

06/18/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/18/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/20/2025)

06/20/2025 Senate passed Sub A

06/20/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/20/2025)

06/20/2025 House passed Sub A in concurrence

06/23/2025 Transmitted to Governor

House Bill No. 5049 SUB A

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

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/06/2025)

02/06/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration (05/27/2025)

05/23/2025 Proposed Substitute

05/27/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

05/30/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/03/2025)

06/03/2025 House passed Sub A

06/06/2025 Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence

06/10/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/13/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5051 SUB A

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

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/06/2025)

02/06/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration (04/03/2025)

04/02/2025 Proposed Substitute

04/03/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

04/04/2025 Placed on House Calendar (04/10/2025)

04/10/2025 House passed Sub A

04/17/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Senate passed Sub A in concurrence

05/01/2025 Transmitted to Governor

05/06/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5052

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Changes the service requirement for admissions to RI Veterans' Home from 90 days to 2 years, and gives priority to veterans defined as war veterans.) {LC44/1}

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/12/2025)

02/12/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration (03/04/2025)

03/04/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/21/2025 Placed on House Calendar (03/27/2025)

03/27/2025 House read and passed

06/02/2025 Referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

House Bill No. 5053

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD (Raises the amount of life insurance the state provides at no charge to Rhode Island National Guard members called up for federal duty to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).)

{LC41/1}

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/09/2025)

04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5077

BY Casimiro, Noret, Chippendale, Roberts, Serpa, Tanzi, Cruz, Morales, Place, Read **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (Requires DCYF to establish segregated savings account for foster care child receiving SS, SSI, veterans benefits or railroad retirement benefits to manage the accounts and keep child eligible for future benefits.) {LC588/1}

01/16/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/16/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/20/2025)

05/20/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5081 SUB A

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

02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/27/2025)

02/27/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/14/2025 Scheduled for consideration (03/20/2025)

03/20/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/21/2025 Placed on House Calendar (03/27/2025)

03/27/2025 House read and passed

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

05/30/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/02/2025)

05/30/2025 Proposed Substitute

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/09/2025 Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Senate passed Sub A

06/10/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/12/2025)

06/12/2025 House passed Sub A in concurrence

06/13/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/17/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5278 SUB A

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Kennedy, Shallcross Smith, Abney, Donovan, Felix, Hull, Solomon, Hopkins

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- THE MILITARY CHILD ACT (Defines "military-connected student" and provides advance enrollment and open enrollment school registration procedures to give the military connected student flexibility in choosing a school district.)

{LC1112/A/1}

01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/12/2025)

02/12/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

02/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration (03/04/2025)

02/28/2025 Proposed Substitute

03/04/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

03/07/2025 Placed on House Calendar (03/11/2025)

03/11/2025 House passed Sub A

03/21/2025 Referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

House Bill No. 5307

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

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/04/2025)

03/04/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/14/2025 Scheduled for consideration (03/20/2025)

03/20/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/21/2025 Placed on House Calendar (03/27/2025)

03/27/2025 House read and passed

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

04/18/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/21/2025 Meeting postponed (04/24/2025)

04/29/2025 Scheduled for consideration (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Committee recommends passage in concurrence

05/19/2025 Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar (05/22/2025)

05/22/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

05/22/2025 Transmitted to Governor

05/30/2025 Effective without Governor's signature

House Bill No. 5309 SUB A

BY Voas, Giraldo, Messier, Stewart, Casey, Finkelman, Marszalkowski, DeSimone, Read, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Increases the minimum veterans' exemption from one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to six thousand dollars (\$6,000) with respect to municipal taxes.) {LC871/A/2}

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

02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/27/2025)

02/27/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration (05/28/2025)

05/23/2025 Proposed Substitute

05/28/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/13/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/16/2025)

06/16/2025 House passed Sub A

House Bill No. 5370

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

02/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/27/2025)

02/27/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/07/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/10/2025)

06/10/2025 Committee recommends passage

06/13/2025 Placed on House Calendar (06/16/2025)

06/16/2025 House read and passed

06/16/2025 Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar (06/18/2025)

06/18/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

06/18/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/24/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. <u>5378</u> **BY** Place, Paplauskas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- ORGANIZATION AND COMMAND OF MILITARY AND NAVAL FORCES (Requires an official declaration of war or an action to call forth the state militia by the United States Congress before members of the National Guard may be released from state control to participate in active duty combat.) {LC841/1}

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/12/2025)

02/12/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5387

(Office of Veterans Services)

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Casimiro, Ackerman, Donovan, Hopkins, Hull, Lombardi, Newberry, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Adds "space force" to the branches of the military included in various sections of general law regarding the veterans home, veterans cemetery and the power of armed forces officers to take acknowledgements.)

{LC1261/1}

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/12/2025)

02/12/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5391

BY Azzinaro, Kennedy, Fellela, Ackerman, Hull, Santucci, Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS -- PREFERENCE FOR RESIDENTS (Provides Rhode Island residents over nonresidents with priority when making reservations to secure a campsite and other recreational facilities.) {LC1138/1}

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/03/2025)

04/03/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5419

BY O'Brien, Craven, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- SAFEGUARDING AMERICAN VETERAN EMPOWERMENT ACT ("SAVE ACT") (Establishes the "safeguarding American veteran empowerment act".) {LC1310/1}

02/12/2025 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/25/2025)

03/25/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5460

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

02/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/04/2025)

03/04/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/07/2025 Scheduled for consideration (03/13/2025)

03/13/2025 Committee recommends passage

03/21/2025 Placed on House Calendar (03/27/2025)

03/27/2025 House read and passed

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

05/31/2025 Scheduled for consideration (06/02/2025)

06/02/2025 Committee recommends passage in concurrence

06/17/2025 Placed on Senate Calendar (06/18/2025)

06/18/2025 Senate passed in concurrence

06/18/2025 Transmitted to Governor

06/24/2025 Signed by Governor

House Bill No. 5780

BY Read, Azzinaro, Noret, Finkelman, Serpa, Paplauskas, Place, Casimiro, Solomon, Casey **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD (Allows the dependents of a National Guard member, who is in good standing, to be eligible for tuition assistance.)

{LC1631/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5887

BY Stewart, Morales, Cruz, Tanzi, Sanchez, Kazarian, Alzate, Handy, Kislak, Potter **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- HOLIDAYS (Changes the name of the holiday on the second Monday of August from Victory Day to Peace and Remembrance Day.) {LC2067/1}

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

04/04/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/09/2025)

04/09/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 6248

BY Cotter, Speakman, Spears, Chippendale, Potter, Giraldo, McGaw, Carson **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES-TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM (Enables any city or town council to adopt a property tax deferral program for senior citizens and disabled persons or veterans.) {LC2748/1}

04/23/2025 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 6253

BY Read, Noret, Azzinaro, Chippendale, Paplauskas, Finkelman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE CREDITS (Allows members of the retirement system who served in the national guard or reserves and qualify as veterans, to purchase retirement service credits based on their years of service in the National guard or reserves.) {LC2666/1}

04/23/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

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

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/29/2025)

04/29/2025 Committee recommends passage

04/29/2025 Placed on House Calendar (05/01/2025)

05/01/2025 House read and passed

House Bill No. 6275

BY Furtado, Kazarian, Boylan, Dawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION FEES (Includes an individual who is seventy-five (75) years of age or older with a combined disability rating of fifty percent (50%), as eligible for disabled veterans license plates.) {LC2757/1}

04/25/2025 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

04/25/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (04/29/2025)

04/29/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Resolution No. 6336

Resolution 301

BY Azzinaro, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Paplauskas, Hopkins, Casimiro, Solomon, Fellela, Ackerman

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING AND CELEBRATING "ARMED FORCES DAY" ON MAY 17TH, 2025, IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2500/1}

05/15/2025 House read and passed

Respectfully Submitted,

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