

Veterans Legislation Update, 2-13-2021

NEW Senate Bill No. 275

BY Felag, Seveney, Lombardo, Murray, Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
MILITARY SPOUSE LICENSURE (Provides issuance of occupational licenses for
military members and spouses stationed in Rhode Island.)

{LC1414/1}

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

House Bill No. 5057

BY Place, Azzinaro, Roberts, Quattrocchi, Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
MILITARY SPOUSE LICENSURE (Provides issuance of occupational licenses for
military members and spouses stationed in Rhode Island.)

{LC345/1}

01/22/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

02/08/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5177

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Noret

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.)

{LC776/1}

01/27/2021 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/11/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5180

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF
(Amends the definition of "disabled", for the purposes of property tax relief, to include
veterans who earn less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) annually and who receive
disability benefits.)

{LC777/1}

01/27/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/01/2021 Committee transferred to House Municipal Government & Housing

02/05/2021 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/11/2021)

02/11/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 5194

BY Kennedy, Abney, Vella-Wilkinson, Azzinaro, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT (Amends the interstate nurse licensure compact and
adopts an enhanced, more comprehensive version of the compact, allowing nurses to hold

a multi-state license which would allow them to practice across state lines without having to obtain multiple licenses)

{LC375/1}

01/27/2021 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

02/02/2021 Committee transferred to House Health & Human Services

02/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/08/2021 [Committee postponed at request of sponsor](#) (02/09/2021)

House Bill No. 5267

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese, Kennedy, Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- MEDAL OF HONOR DAY (Designates March 25 in each and every year as Medal of Honor Day.)

{LC950/1}

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/11/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

NEW House Bill No. 5447

BY Tobon, Casey, Ruggiero, Azzinaro, Diaz, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE LOTTERY (Creates an instant ticket scratch off game pilot program to raise funds for Rhode Island veterans and dependents of qualified service members.)

{LC1248/1}

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

NEW House Bill No. 5487

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Casimiro, Noret, McLaughlin, Williams, Shanley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS OVERSIGHT COMMISSION (Creates a nine (9) member permanent joint military and veterans' affairs oversight commission to oversee operations of Rhode Island office of veterans' affairs and fiscal oversight of military affairs and defense.)

{LC801/1}

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

NEW House Bill No. 5547

BY Nardone, Chippendale, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS (Entitles all residents of health care and assisted living facilities, nursing homes, group homes and veterans' homes, to designate a person to provide them with companionship, personal health care guidance and advocacy.)

{LC1639/1} 02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services