HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

H-7490 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT SPONSOR'S REQUEST

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 28, 2022

TIME: Rise of the House **PLACE:** Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. 7068

BY Fogarty, Ruggiero, McEntee, Ajello, Carson, Donovan, Cortvriend, Bennett, Shallcross Smith, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT {LC3349/1} (Requires the RI department of human services to develop a plan to streamline the application, certification and recertification process for SNAP beneficiaries aged sixty years and over.)

01/12/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7070

BY Solomon, McNamara, Ruggiero, Noret, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOME COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY {LC3532/1} (Expands eligibility for elderly services assistance to persons under age 65 suffering from Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia confirmed by a licensed physician provided that the person's joint income not exceed 250% of the federal poverty level.)

01/12/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7127

BY Ruggiero, Shallcross Smith, Carson, Hull, Handy, Fogarty, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Batista, Caldwell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF {LC3656/1} (Increases max income level to \$50,000 and max credit amount to \$850 for property tax relief with annual adjustment for inflation.)

01/20/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7178

BY Bennett, McGaw, Cortvriend, Edwards, O'Brien, Ackerman, Kislak, Tanzi, Cassar, Caldwell ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND BEST RX PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAM FOR THE UNINSURED {LC3275/1} (Requires that enrollees in the Rhode Island best RX Prescription drug discount program for the uninsured are not charged a copay for their prescriptions.) 01/26/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance 04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. <u>**7380**</u>

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, McEntee, Williams, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Kazarian ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX {LC4621/1} (Provides for an income tax deduction for military service pension benefits.) 02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance 04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7382

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, McEntee, Williams, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Kazarian ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX {LC4622/1} (Provides for an income tax deduction for a taxpayer serving in the national guard at an amount up to fifty percent (50%) of the taxpayer's income earned for medically related service during a pandemic.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance 04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7446

BY Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE -- LONG-TERM CARE SERVICE AND FINANCE REFORM {LC4467/1} (Provides Medicaid home care base rate adjustments.)

02/11/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance 04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7490

BY Barros, Giraldo, Kislak, Casimiro, Solomon, Alzate, Felix, Cassar, Messier ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT {LC4761/1} (Allows SNAP recipients to receive a minimum of \$0.50 credit on their EBT card, for each \$1.00 spent on fruits and vegetables also creates a separate SNAP fund to allocate funds from the general fund to effectuate this act.)
02/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. 7557

BY McNamara, Ackerman

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$200,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO AID IN THE FIGHT AGAINST ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA {LC4200/1} (This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$200,000 in a fiscal year 2022-2023, to establish an Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Coordinator.)

02/18/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. <u>7615</u>

BY Kazarian, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE {LC5353/1} (Increases the daily rate of payments to nursing facilities by twenty percent (20%) for single occupancy rooms to include private bathrooms.)

03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7641

(Dept. of Human Services)

BY Diaz, Slater, McNamara, Ruggiero, Cortvriend, Edwards, Kennedy, Morales, Kazarian, Alzate

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM {LC5147/1} (Allows families to continue to receive state and federal tax credits and any stimulus funds provided for the well-being of children or adults without jeopardizing the family's RI Works cash benefit.)

03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7647

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX - MILITARY RETIREMENT {LC5156/1} (Excludes for the purposes of Rhode Island state income taxes, the first \$25,000 of eligible military retirement income, paid by the state or federal government to persons 60 years or older received in the 2023 tax year, and thereafter.)

03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7650

BY Azzinaro, Donovan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- VETERANS' AFFAIRS -- VETERANS' HOME IN HOUSE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY {LC5154/1} (Requires the general assembly to appropriate necessary funds for the furnishing of in-house occupational and physical therapy services for all residents of the Bristol Veterans' home.) 03/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance 04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7789

BY Handy, Diaz, Slater, Kazarian, Barros, Alzate, Felix, Potter, Williams, Ajello

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM {LC4926/1} (Extends the life-time limit for RI Works benefits to 60 months, increases the monthly cash benefit to 50% of the federal poverty level, and includes participation in a post-secondary education program for two years as an allowable work activity.)

03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7791

BY Bennett, Carson, Slater, Edwards, Cassar

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- INTELLECTUAL/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES OMBUDSPERSON ACT OF 2022 {LC4871/1} (Creates an intellectual/developmental disabilities ombudsperson program.)

03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7816

BY Casey, Kazarian, Vella-Wilkinson, Knight, Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF {LC3875/1}

(Defines as "disabled," persons receiving veterans' affairs disability benefits paid by the federal government for purposes of property tax relief.)

03/03/2022 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/09/2022 Committee transferred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7860

BY Serpa, C Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

{LC4883/1} (Requires the executive office of health and human services to adjust, once every three (3) years the per diem reimbursement to nursing facilities, by taking into consideration increases in direct and indirect care costs.)

03/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7986

BY Serpa, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley, Bennett, Solomon, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ALLOCATING \$8,000,000 TO WOMEN AND INFANTS HOSPITAL {LC5474/1} (Authorizes and allocates the sum of \$8,000,000 to the Women and Infants Hospital of Rhode Island, to be used towards the Hospital's renovation of its Labor and Delivery Unit. The allocation comes from American Rescue Plan Act funds.)

03/16/2022 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/22/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION:

TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM

The meeting will be televised live by Capitol Television on Cox Communications (channels 15, 61, and 1061 for high definition), Full Channel (on 15) and Verizon (on channel 34). Livestreaming is available at https://www.rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Send written testimony to: HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov

Testimony must include: your name, bill number and viewpoint (for/against/neither).

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IN PERSON TESTIMONY

Individuals may testify in person, not by telephone. Sign-up sheets are available in/outside the hearing room. Signs/posters/pictures are not allowed to be displayed inside hearing room.

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