

As of 15 February 2020 the RI General Assembly has introduced 983 bills/resolutions of these 24 effect veterans. Below is a summary and the status of these 24 veterans bills.

Senate Bill No. 2051

BY de la Cruz, Algieri, Felag, Ciccone, Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - VETERANS' HOME IN HOUSE OCCUPATION THERAPY (Requires the general assembly to appropriate necessary funds for the furnishing of in-house occupational therapy services for all residents of the Bristol Veterans' home.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2053

BY Felag, Seveney, Picard

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.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2055

BY Seveney, Picard, DiPalma, Coyne, Conley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Amends the definition of the term "disabled," for purposes of tax relief, to include persons receiving veterans' affairs disability benefits paid by the federal government.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2094

BY Lombardi, Lynch Prata, Archambault, Ciccone, Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - BURIAL OF VETERANS (Allows a veteran who qualifies to be buried at the Rhode Island veterans' memorial cemetery to designate a domestic partner to be buried with them.)

01/21/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

Senate Bill No. 2118

BY Felag, Seveney, Lombardo, DiPalma, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX - MILITARY RETIREMENT (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 2021 tax year, and thereafter.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2120

BY Felag, Seveney, Lombardo, Ciccone, Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Provides a fifteen thousand dollar (\$15,000) deduction of federal taxable retirement income from federal AGI in order to calculate the income of a Rhode Island resident.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2197

BY Felag, Ciccone, Lombardi, McCaffrey, Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Increases the exemption for retirement income from state income tax from \$15,000 to \$20,000 commencing in 2020.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2198

BY Pearson, Seveney, DiPalma, Paolino, Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Creates an exemption for taxable retirement income from certain pension plans or annuities of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) beginning on or after January 1, 2021.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2217

BY Lynch Prata, Miller, Felag, Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Provides that the taxation of military service pensions for purposes of the Rhode Island personal income tax would be reduced and phased out over a five (5) year period from 2020 to 2024.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

Senate Bill No. 2251

BY Felag, Lynch Prata, Seveney, Raptakis, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special motor vehicle registration plate for recipients of the United States Bronze Star Medal.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

02/07/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/12/2020)

02/12/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Senate Bill No. 2278

BY Raptakis, Felag, McKenney, Paolino, Algiere

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Allows business vehicles which are owned by an entity which a veteran owns, and registered and authorized to conduct business in the state of Rhode Island, to register such business vehicles with veteran plates.)

02/04/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

House Bill No. 7105

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Casimiro, Solomon, Almeida, Azzinaro
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA CONFIDENTIALITY ACT (Provides
confidentiality protection to military sexual trauma (MST) victims.)

01/15/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/24/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (01/28/2020)

01/28/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 7114

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Vella-Wilkinson, Casimiro, Tobon
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.)

01/15/2020 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/17/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/27/2020)

House Bill No. 7175

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Casimiro, Azzinaro, Corvese, Serpa
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE
(Creates a 9 member military and veterans' affairs oversight commission.)

01/16/2020 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/17/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/27/2020)

House Bill No. 7239

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Fogarty
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT
COMMITTEE ON NAMING NEW BUILDINGS (Names Route 4 and Route 1 from
Warwick to Westerly The Purple Heart Memorial Highway.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/31/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/06/2020)

02/06/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 7283

BY Casimiro, Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Alzate, Fellela
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Expands the classes of licensed vehicles eligible
to obtain courtesy veterans' plates.)

01/23/2020 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

01/31/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/06/2020)

02/06/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 7334

BY Place, Quattrocchi, Nardone, Azzinaro, Newberry
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.)

01/29/2020 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

02/07/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/11/2020)

02/11/2020 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/17/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/25/2020)

House Bill No. 7403

BY Place, Azzinaro, Abney, Nardone, Lyle
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
ACTIVE MEMBERS IN RESERVES--EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS (Expands
educational benefits to active reservists in the armed forces.)

01/31/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 7405

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Azzinaro, McNamara, Price, McLaughlin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Establishes "chaplain's fund" to collect
donations for use in activities to enhance morale/welfare/recreation of veterans' home
residents maintained and operated by the advisory council of veterans' affairs.)

01/31/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 7410

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Jackson, McLaughlin, Price
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special motor vehicle registration plate
for recipients of the United States Bronze Star Medal.)

01/31/2020 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

02/07/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/13/2020)

02/13/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

House Bill No. 7416

BY Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson, Jackson, McLaughlin, Price
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.)

01/31/2020 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/14/2020 Committee transferred to House Municipal Government

02/14/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/27/2020)

House Bill No. 7614

BY Casey, Knight, Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF
(Defines as “disabled,” persons receiving veterans’ affairs disability benefits paid by the federal government for purposes of property tax relief.)

02/14/2020 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

02/14/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/27/2020)

House Bill No. 7626

BY Casey, Azzinaro, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX
(Creates a tax deduction for military retirement benefits of a veteran or the veteran's surviving spouse.)

02/14/2020 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 7642

BY McLaughlin, Vella-Wilkinson, Abney, Corvese, Jackson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Provides immediate family members or two
(2) guests of residents of the Rhode Island veterans' home access to the dining room
for lunch and/or dinner at no charge to the resident, family members or guests.)

02/14/2020 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

02/17/2020 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (02/27/2020)

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