

PENDING HOME RULE PETITIONS UPDATE – MAY 11, 2026

HD 4706, An Act Requiring That Broker Fees in the City of Cambridge be Paid by the Party Who Solicits a Licensed Broker was filed by Representative Connolly. House - Referred to the Committee on Housing May 15, 2025. Senate – Senate concurred May 19, 2025. Joint – Hearing scheduled for November 19, 2025 from 11:00AM-5:00PM in Gardner Auditorium. House – Reported by committee to Clerk’s Office for processing, will accompany a study order. House – Accompanied a study order, see H5352 (under House Rule 27) April 13, 2026. For legislative history: <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/194/HD4706>

HD 4735, An Act Further Regulating Procurements By The City of Cambridge, adopted by the City Council on March 24, 2025, was filed by Representative Decker on May 21, 2025. House – Referred to the Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government May 27, 2025. Senate – Senate concurred May 29, 2025. Joint – Hearing scheduled for June 24, 2025 from 1:00PM-5:00PM in B-1. House – Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on Housing Steering, Policy and Scheduling July 16, 2025. House – Committee reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting August 14, 2025. House – Rules suspended August 14, 2025. House – Read second and ordered to a third reading August 14, 2025. For legislative history: <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/194/HD4735>

H.3924, An Act expanding the definition of dependent for the purposes of municipal employee benefits as to the City of Cambridge. This legislation was filed by Representative Decker. House - Referred to the Committee on Public Service on March 20, 2025. Senate – Senate concurred December 15, 2025. Joint – Hearing scheduled for January 27, 2026 from 1:00PM-5:00PM in B-1 January 17, 2026. Joint – Hearing rescheduled to January 27, 2026 from 1:00PM-1:15PM in B-1 and Virtual January 27, 2026. House – Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on House Steering Policy and Scheduling April 2, 2026. House – Committee reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting April 23, 2026. House – Rules suspended April 23, 2026. House – Read second and ordered to a third reading April 23, 2026. For legislative history: <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/194/HD4279>

HD 4826, An Act Authorizing The City Of Cambridge To Expand The Options Available To Issue Notices Of Violation For Parking Enforcement Above The Limits Set Forth In M.G.L. C. 90, §20A½ Or Other Applicable State Laws, adopted by the City Council on March 31, 2025, was filed by Representative Decker on June 13, 2025. House – Referred to the Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government June 23, 2025. Senate – Senate concurred on June 26, 2025. Joint – Hearing scheduled for July 22, 2025 from 1:00PM – 5:00PM in B-1. House – Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on House Steering Policy and Scheduling August 4, 2025. House – Committee reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, Rules suspended, Read second and ordered to a third reading September 2, 2025. House – Read third (title changed) and passed to be engrossed October 6, 2025. Senate – Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session October 9, 2025. Senate – Read second and ordered to a third reading October 23, 2025. For Legislative History see: <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/194/HD4826>