

Key for Interpreting Actions:

- **Yellow highlight** in the “Status” column indicates a bill that has had a public hearing since the last report.
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- **Red text** in the “Comments” column indicates newly added information.
- **Blue text** in the “Comments” column indicates previously added information.

High Priority Bills

Bill Number	Bill Title	Primary sponsor	Status	Position	Comment
HB324/SB 254	An Act relative to advancing the profession of commercial interior design	Rep. Christine Barber (D)/Sen Jason Lewis (D)	07/14/25, Committee Hearing (Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure)	Amend	Filed in various forms since the mid-1990s, Rep. Barber/Sen. Lovely now sponsors a long-standing bill, with AIA MA and IIDA NE working toward a compromise. 07/14/25 - AIA MA, ACEC/MA, MFBO, and IIDA NE voiced strong unified support, citing permitting clarity, defined scope, statutory alignment, and consensus. No opposition was raised; legislators praised the collaboration. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably from Committee as HB 4354/SB 2620 and sent to both H/S Ways and Means. AIA MA/IIDA NE to meet with Sen. Rodriques on 01/28. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - AIA MA/IIDA NE to meet with Jonah Beckley, Senior Counsel to Sen. President on Fri., 03/06
HB1426/SB949	An Act to provide green and healthy public colleges and universities and address their deferred maintenance needs	Rep. Manny Cruz (D)/Sen. Jake Oliveria (D)	06/03/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Higher Education)	Support	Would create a commission to assess and improve the health, energy efficiency, and sustainability of public higher education facilities. The legislation builds on prior K-12 school assessment efforts and proposes a capital strategy to ensure improvements are implemented. 06/02/25 - AIA MA submitted written testimony. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably as amended by Joint Committee on 09/11 as HB4463 and referred to Joint Committee on Rules. Discharged on 10/02 and referred to House Committee on Rules. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change
HB1870	An Act relative to notice of contract, dissolution of lien	Rep. Christopher M. Markey (D)	10/21/25 Committee Hearing (Judiciary)	Amend	Originally filed in 2011, HB 1777 clarifies deadlines and conditions for dissolving certain property liens; AIA MA recommends resubmitting its 2013 amendment, as no testimony was given in 2023. 10/21/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change
HB2571/SB1650	An Act creating a municipal and public safety building authority	Rep. Natalie Blais (D)/Sen. Joanne Comerford (D)	07/24/25, Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Amend	First filed in 2023, this bill creates a funding authority for municipal and public safety buildings, supported by marijuana excise taxes, with AIA MA named to the advisory board; a proposed amendment would strengthen architectural representation. 07/24/25 : Municipal leaders, firefighters, and legislators voiced strong support for SB 1650/HB 2571, citing aging, unsafe public safety buildings and urgent infrastructure needs. They urged passage of the bill’s equity-focused, grant-funded authority and dedicated revenue stream to aid struggling communities statewide. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/30 and referred to H W/M’s. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee carrying other bills on 01/15. Sent to S W/M’s. No change in H. bill.

HB3317/SB2116	An Act providing for gender-neutral bathrooms	Rep. Mindy Domb (D)/Sen. Joanne Comerford (D)	09/09/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Support	Originally written by AIA MA in 2019, HB 3317 and SB 2116 propose Plumbing Code changes for all-gender restrooms that have already been adopted, making their refiling this session unclear. 09/09/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/11/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee and referred to H W/M's. 02/02/26 - No Change. 03/02/26 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/09. Sent to S W/M's. No change in H. bill.
HB3337/SB2127	An Act relating to embodied carbon emission reductions in state-funded projects	Rep. Sean Garballey (D)/Sen. William Driscoll (D)	07/03/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Support	HB 3337 and SB 2127 advance embodied carbon regulation ahead of the Coordinating Council's framework; AIA MA should gather feedback on standards and present it to the IGECC. 07/15/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/20 and referred to H W/M's. 02/02/26 - No Change. 03/02/26 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/09. Sent to S W/M's. No change in H. bill.
HB3488	An Act relative to tax incentives for building to NetZero Standards	Rep. Christopher Flanagan (D)	10/29/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	First-time bill would require DOER to conduct a housing-specific cost analysis of the stretch and municipal opt-in energy codes. (Note: Rep Flanagan is under federal indictment) 10/26/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - 12/04 extension order filed till 03/18/26. 02/02/26 - No Change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HD4331/SB1428	An Act relative to historic districts and commissions	Rep. Amy Mah Sangiolo (D)/Sen. Joanne Comerford (D)	06/03/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Higher Education)	Support	First time filed in the House/Senate and authored by AIA MA, these bills strengthen protections and review processes for historic building preservation. 06/06/25 - AIA MA will testify and offer both written and verbal testimony. 06/10/25 - AIA MA was the only organization to provide testimony. 12/04/25 - Bill sent to study on 11/13/25.
SB403	An Act establishing a special commission to review the adequacy and equity of the Massachusetts school building program	Sen. Jason M. Lewis (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Support	Refiled as SB 2727/HB 2131, this bill would create a commission—including an AIA MA appointee—to assess MSBA adequacy and equity; AIA MA supports and recommends high-priority tracking. 05/12/25 - AIA MA submitted oral and written testimony 12/04/25 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee carrying SB318, SB352, SB366, and SB390 on 09/22 and referred to Joint Committee on Rules. On 10/17 reported favorably by Joint Committee and on 10/20 referred to S W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

Medium Priority Bills

Bill Number	Bill Title	Primary sponsor	Status	Position	Comment
HB509	An Act relative to the safety of schools, residences, and public assemblies	Rep. Brian M. Ashe (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Support	Originally filed in 2015, HB 653 consolidates prior school safety bills and has seen favorable committee treatment; AIA MA suggests continued medium-priority support. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

HB512	An Act to expand the Massachusetts School Building Authority and create a new program to assist public school districts with 21st century technology upgrades	Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Filed in 2019, HB 541 proposes MSBA expansion for tech upgrades; while the concept is strong, funding depends on legislative increases—AIA MA recommends a neutral stance and medium-priority tracking. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB526/SB 318	An Act modernizing school construction	Rep. Daniel Cahill (D)/Sen. Brendan Crighton (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021 by Sen. Crighton, this school construction modernization bill has been favorably reported; AIA MA suggests coordination with the BSA K-12 Committee. 05/12/25 - All testifying—including AFT, BPS, legislators, and Lynn’s mayor—supported the bill. 12/04/25 - SB 318 attached to SB 403 and reported favorably. Joint rules concurred and sent to S. W/M’s on 10/20 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - See comments for SB 403 in High Priority bills.
HB1004/SB 583	An Act promoting climate safe buildings	Rep. Joan Meschino (D)/Sen. Lydia M. Edwards (D)	09/02/25 Committee Hearing (Environment & Natural Resources)	Support	Current refile of SB 473 (23-24), this CLF-backed bill expands BBRS authority to include climate considerations, adds a floodplain expert to the board, and proposes a resiliency stretch code; AIA MA signed a 2023 coalition 09/02/25 - Representatives from Cambridge, CLF, InnSure, and the Mystic River Watershed Association supported strengthening building codes to address climate risks, urging resilience expertise, local stretch codes, expanded flood maps, and retrofit programs to enhance safety, insurability, equity, and long-term economic stability. 12/04/25 - SB 583 sent to study. HB 1004 granted an Extension Order on 11/27 till 12/31/25. 12/24/25 - Extension Order granted till 03/18/26 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB1103	An Act relative to default insurance programs for certain public construction projects	Rep. Daniel Cahill (D)	11/04 Committee Hearing (Financial Services)	Support	Originally filed in 2021, HB 3113 requires performance and payment bonds for all trade contracts unless covered by subcontractor default insurance, which must be disclosed before bidding; the bill was previously sent to study. 11/04/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change 01/15/26 - Sent to study
HB1542/SB 964	An Act to study single-stair residential buildings	Rep. Meghan Kilcoyne (D)/Sen. John Cronin (D)	06/25/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Housing)	Neutral	Propose a \$250,000 commission—including AIA MA—to study and draft a code amendment legalizing single-stair, six-story multifamily buildings, with a focus on safety, implementation, and expanding on prior research. 06/25/25 - Supporters of HB 1542/SB 964 urged passage of a study commission on single-stair buildings, citing safety, cost savings, and design flexibility. Experts, developers, and advocates emphasized the potential to expand housing options and reduce barriers to affordable, family-sized units. 12/04/25 - Reported out favorably as amended as HB 4699/SB 2647 and sent to H W/M’s on 11/06 & S W/M’s on 11/24 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB2075	An Act requiring OSHA training	Rep. Tackey Chan (D)	05/13/2025, 11:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Labor & Workforce Development)	Neutral	Refiled bill requiring OSHA training was reported favorably; AIA MA suggests a neutral stance, medium-priority tracking, and outreach to Chairman Chan to clarify intent. 05/13/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Reported out favorably as amended as HB 4448 and sent to H W/m’s on 09/04/25 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB2333/SB1452	An Act establishing a municipal building assistance program and building authority	Rep. Margaret Scarsdale (D)/Sen. Edward Kennedy (D)	06/10/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Municipalities & Regional Government)	Support	First filed in 2023, these bills establish the Massachusetts Municipal Building Authority with dedicated sales tax funding to support and manage municipal building projects, improve facility conditions, and ensure long-term financial sustainability through a new trust fund. 06/10/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Both bills sent to study on 10/27 and 11/17

HB2569	An Act expanding the availability of adaptable housing for people with disabilities and seniors	Rep. Christine Barber (D)	06/11/2025, 1:00 PM – Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Amend	Originally filed in 2007, this bill updates accessibility standards for public buildings, broadens definitions, and strengthens disability representation; it was reported favorably last session but died in House Ways and Means, with ongoing input from AIA MA. 06/11/25 – Rep. Barber and advocates urged action to expand accessible, adaptable, and affordable housing, citing severe shortages and widespread barriers for people with disabilities. 12/04/25 – Bill reported favorably from Committee on 09/22 and sent to H W/M's. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB2644/SB1655	An Act relative to fire protection	Rep. Daniel Hunt (D)/Sen. John Cronin (D)	06/11/2025, 1:00 PM – Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2017 by Rep. Balsler (retired), these bills propose mandating sprinklers in multi-family housing; AIA MA recommends tracking due to concerns about legislating building code changes. 06/11/25 – Chris Norris of FCAM supported allowing sprinkler appeals to go before the Automatic Sprinklers Appeal Board, helping communities avoid costly and lengthy court proceedings. 12/04/25 – Both bills received a favorable from Committee. HB 2644 cleared Third Reading and has been on the House Calendar since 10/15 awaiting its first House floor vote. SB 1655 was referred to S W/M's on 7/17 , where it remains. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB2679	An Act relative to fire protection systems for buildings and structures	Rep. Ted Philips (D)	06/11/2025, 1:00 PM – Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	Filed in 2011 by Rep. Kafka, this bill shifts fire code oversight from BBRS to a new board; AIA MA remains neutral due to concerns and recommends medium-priority tracking. 06/11/25 – Bill Scoble of FCAM supported legislation to improve building protection systems, highlighting it as a key public safety measure endorsed by fire chiefs. 12/04/25 – No change. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB2696/SB1712	An Act establishing a public safety building authority and assistance program	Rep. Margaret Scarsdale (D)/Sen. Edward Kennedy (D)	07/24/25 Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	First filed in 2023, these bills would create the Massachusetts Public Safety Building Authority with dedicated sales tax funding to support construction and renovation of public safety facilities; In 2023–2024, nearly identical bills received favorable committee support but died in HWM. 07/24/25 : Fire service leaders urged passage of HB 2696/SB 1712 to address unsafe, outdated fire stations. They cited crumbling infrastructure, health risks, and chronic underfunding, calling for a dedicated building authority to support critical facility upgrades statewide. 12/04/25 – Both bills received a favorable from Committee and sent to respective W/M's. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB2719/SB1746	An Act to allow temporary door-locking devices in public buildings	Rep. Jeffrey Turco (D)/Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	05/07/2025, 1:00 PM – Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2023–2024, these bills mandate safety regulations for temporary door locking devices in schools; the bill received favorable support but ultimately died in Senate Ways and Means. 05/07/25 – supporters testified in favor of the bill, citing outdated codes and local support for Nightlock. AIA MA submitted written and oral testimony opposing the bill, citing safety risks, code violations, and concerns over false security. 12/04/25 – Both bills received a favorable from Committee and were sent to their respective W/M's Committees on 7/21 and 7/30 . 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB3283	An Act relative to the open meeting law	Rep. James Arciero (D)	10/14/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Support	Presented on 04/03/25 , this bill aims to enhance fairness in contractor interviews and has minimal direct impact on architects. 10/14/25 – No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 – No change. 12/18/25 – Attached to a favorable report (H 4281) and sent to House W/M. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change.
HB3368/SB2191	An Act establishing a special commission to investigate and study the feasibility of establishing a municipal building financing authority	Rep. Patrick Kearney (D)/Sen. Patrick O'Connor (R)	10/29/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Amend	Originally filed in 2017, these bills propose a study commission on creating a public safety building authority; Sent to study in the 2023–2024 session. 10/29/25 – No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 – No change. 02/02/26 – No change. 03/02/26 – No change in H. bill. S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 01/15 and referred to S. W/M's on 01/22.

HB3445	An Act to promote solar panel installations on school property	Rep. Jennifer B. Armini (D)	10/09/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2023, this bill establishes a statewide program to expand solar panel adoption in K-12 public schools through incentives, infrastructure support, and an advisory group; it was sent to study. 10/09/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Extension order filed until 03/18/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3476/SB2275	An Act relative to healthy and sustainable schools	Rep. Marjorie Decker (D)/Sen. Paul Feeney (D)	09/25/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	First-time filing, these bills largely duplicate the stretch energy code but mandate its implementation in schools through the MSBA. 09/25/25 - Union, education, and climate advocates—including Chrissy Lynch and Ryan Murphy (Mass. AFL-CIO), AFT MA, Building Trades, SEIU 509, and 350 Mass—support HB 3476/SB 2275; ABC MA’s Greg Beeman opposes PLA/apprenticeship mandates he says would limit open-shop bids. 12/04/25 - Extension order filed until 03/18/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change in H. bill. S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 12/25 and referred to S. W/M's on 12/25.
HB3529/SB2294	An Act relative to building energy and decarbonization	Rep. Joan Meschino (D)/Sen. Jason M. Lewis (D)	09/25/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	This bill establishes “Green Plus” community criteria, expands green communities funding, mandates emissions limits for large buildings, and creates a retrofit fund to support energy upgrades—particularly in environmental justice and low-to-moderate-income housing. 09/25/25 - Rep. Joan Meschino, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn, Kerry Catan, Amy Boyd Rabin, Julie Curti, Francis Cumming, and Steven Grody supported HB 3529/SB 2294, citing its statewide building performance standards, Green Communities expansion, and equitable decarbonization framework to reduce emissions and enhance affordability. 12/04/25 - Extension order filed until 03/18/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change in H. bill. S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 12/11 and referred to S. W/M's on 12/15.
HB3559/SB2296	An Act to encourage solar development on buildings and disturbed land	Rep. Lindsay Sabadosa (D)/Sen. Paul W. Mark (D)	10/09/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	These bills promote solar development on built land by raising net metering limits, revising incentives, and supporting rooftop solar in environmental justice communities; previously sent to study in the House, the Senate version received one extension. 10/09/25 - Jess Nahigian of the Sierra Club and a TRACE representative supported HB 3559/SB 2296, urging removal of barriers to solar on developed land while protecting forests and farms, emphasizing streamlined permitting, lifted net metering caps, and balanced expansion of clean energy with ecosystem preservation. 12/04/25 - Extension order filed until 03/18/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change in H. bill. S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 12/11 and referred to S. W/M's on 12/15.
HB3580	An Act creating pathways toward net-zero neighborhoods	Rep. Tommy Vitolo (D)	10/29/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	Newly filed, this bill promotes non-emitting thermal energy by redefining standards, allowing gas service disconnections for clean alternatives, and requiring 2027 building code updates to support dual-function heating and cooling systems in residential and applicable buildings. 10/29/25 - Justin Higgin (Sierra Club MA) urged passage of SB 2249, HB 3539, HB 3580, and HB 3543, arguing gas prices and infrastructure costs are rising, GSEP is ineffective and costly, and current policies benefit utilities—not ratepayers. 12/04/25 - Extension order filed until 03/18/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3586	An Act relative to procurement services for artists	Rep. David Biele (D)	10/21/25 Committee Hearing (Tourism, Arts & Cultural Development)	Support	Originally filed in 2017 by Rep. Chris Walsh, this bill exempts artistic services and works of art from competitive bidding rules to support public art in state-funded projects and streamline specialized procurement. 10/21/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

SB351	An Act relative to air quality in public schools	Sen. Ryan Fattman (R)	07/21/25 Committee Hearing (Education)	Support	Originally filed in the House in 2015, this bill creates task force to assess indoor air quality in schools. In 2023–2024 the bills provisions were rolled into a larger bill but died in HWM's. Bill filed in the Senate for first time in 2023–2024. No current House companion bill. 07/21/25 : Naomi Bar-Yam and Dr. Anne Marie Faust supported SB 351, emphasizing its role in improving school air quality alongside HB 583. They urged more realistic timelines, greater transparency, and expert input to ensure healthy, equitable learning environments for students and staff. 09/22/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee carrying SB451. 12/04/25 - Referred to S W/M's on 10/20 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB542	An Act to ensure the health and safety of the commonwealths students and educators	Sen. Bruce E. Tarr (R)	10/22/25 Committee Hearing (Emergency Preparedness & Management)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021 by Sen. Feeney, this bill addresses school ventilation standards post-COVID; AIA MA recommends tracking due to its indirect impact on architectural coordination. 10/22/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/08-26 - Sent to study order
SB1732	An Act relative to enhanced fire protection in new one- and two-family dwellings	Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	06/11/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Oppose	Filed in 2013, this bill mandates sprinklers in new one- and two-family homes; AIA MA recommends continued opposition due to concerns over stretch codes undermining statewide code uniformity. 06/11/25 - Bill Scoble of FCAM backed a local option allowing sprinkler installation in smaller homes, stressing it as a life-saving fire safety measure. 12/04/2025 - Sent to study order
SB1733	An Act building a more accessible Massachusetts	Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	06/26/25 Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Amend	Originally filed in 2007, this accessibility reform bill has long been supported with proposed amendments by AIA MA and was favorably reported last session before dying in SWM. 06/26/25 - Chris Hoeh, Benjie Kemper, Joe Bellil, Megan Cornell, Michael Kennedy, and Sam LaRue supported SB 1733, urging expansion of the Architectural Access Board's authority to older buildings and workplaces to increase accessibility, adaptable housing, and employment opportunities for people with disabilities. 12/04/2025 - Sent to study order
SB1744	An Act relative to the creation of the Massachusetts Public Safety Building Authority	Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	09/10/25 Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	First filed this session, this bill creates an authority and trust fund—funded by 33% of marijuana tax revenue—to support equitable municipal construction projects, including public safety facilities and town halls, with grants and loans based on local financial need. 09/10/25 - Across all testimony, SB 1744 received broad support from fire service leadership, PFFM, and MassCOP, who argued it is urgently needed to address deteriorating, unsafe fire and police facilities through a dedicated statewide funding authority. 12/04/25 - No change. 01/15/26 - Attached to favorable report (S 1650) by Joint Committee and sent to Senate W/M. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB1780	An Act relative to the creation of the Massachusetts Public Safety Building Authority	Sen. Bruce E. Tarr (R)	06/26/25 Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021, this bill creates the Massachusetts Public Safety Building Authority and a dedicated trust fund to support municipal public safety projects; '23-'24 it received favorable reporting but died in Senate Ways and Means. 06/26/25 : Fire service leaders urged passage of SB 1780 to address unsafe, outdated fire stations. They cited crumbling infrastructure, health risks, and chronic underfunding, calling for a dedicated building authority to support critical facility upgrades statewide. 12/04/25 - No change. 01/15/26 - Attached to favorable report (S 1650) by Joint Committee and sent to Senate W/M. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB2074	An Act relative to the curatorship program	Sen. Bruce E. Tarr (R)	04/08/2025, 10:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Revenue)	Support	Originally filed in 2015 by Minority Leader Jones, this bill amends existing law to exempt designated historic properties from standard property taxes under Chapter 59. 04/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

SB2123	An Act to promote public procurement and inclusive entrepreneurship	Sen. John Cronin (D)	07/15/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	This bill proposes wide-ranging public procurement reforms to boost participation by underutilized businesses through sheltered markets, prompt payment rules, subcontracting goals, and expanded definitions—affecting Chapters 149, 30, 30B, and 7C—with AIA MA recommending close review and tracking. 07/15/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/24/25 - Extension order filed. 01/15/26 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to Senate W/M. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB2175	An Act relative to equity in public contracting in honor of Bruce C. Bolling	Sen. Liz Miranda (D)	07/15/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	New this session, this bill strengthens diversity in state procurement by setting MWBE participation targets, standardizing reporting, and requiring workforce data; AIA MA recommends tracking and monitoring hearing outcomes. 07/15/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/24/25 - Extension order till 01/31/26 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/02 and sent to S. W/M's.
SB2336	Resolve relative to State House restoration and management commission	Sen. Jake Oliveira (D)	10/21/25 Committee Hearing (Tourism, Arts & Cultural Development)	Amend	Originally filed in 2023–2024, this bill creates a commission to develop a master plan for restoring the State House and its grounds; AIA MA supports with an amendment to replace “Boston Society for Architecture” with “AIA MA.” 10/21/25 - No one testified. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably as amended by Joint Committee carrying SB2327 and SB2329 on 12/01 and sent to S W/M's as SB 2740. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

Low Priority Bills

Bill Number	Bill Title	Primary sponsor	Status	Position	Comment
HB208/SB170	An Act providing for diaper changing stations in public buildings and accommodations	Rep. Simon Cataldo (D)/Sen. Rebecca Rausch (D)	05/07/25 and 09/09/25 Committee Hearing (Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2019, this bill mandates accessible diaper changing stations in most public buildings and accommodations; AIA MA recommends coordinating with sponsors on potential inclusion in relevant regulations. 05/07/25 and 09/09/25 - Sen. Becca Rausch supported HB 208/SB 170, calling for gender-neutral, accessible diaper-changing stations in all new public buildings to provide safe, sanitary, and inclusive facilities for parents, caregivers, and people with disabilities at minimal cost. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/16 and referred to S W/M's. 12/29/25 - Attached to favorable report by Joint Committee (H 4851) and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB256/SB102	An Act requiring universal changing stations in public buildings	Rep. John Lawn, Jr. (D)/Sen. Michael Barrett (D)	09/09/25 Committee Hearing (Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities)	Neutral	First filed in 2023, this bill mandates universal changing stations in public buildings; it was favorably reported last session but died in HWM. 09/09/25 - Rep. Garballey, advocates, and families supported HB 256/SB 102, urging universal, height-adjustable changing stations in all new or renovated public buildings to ensure dignity, safety, and accessibility for people with disabilities and caregivers across Massachusetts. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/20 and referred to S W/M's. 12/29/25 - Attached to favorable report by Joint Committee (H 4851) and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

HB420	An Act relative to increasing professional licensure opportunities	Rep. David LeBoeuf (D)	04/29/2025, 10:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure)	Neutral	Originally filed in the 2023–2024 session and not previously tracked by AIA MA. Bill reforms licensing rules to reduce barriers for applicants with records. 04/29/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 07/17 and referred to H W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB609	An Act to improve and enhance the Advisory Board to the Massachusetts School Building Authority	Rep. Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2011 by Rep. Jones, this bill expands the MSBA advisory board from 17 to 19 members by adding representatives from vocational education organizations to strengthen oversight of educational facilities. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB623	An Act relative to equipping public elementary and secondary schools with panic alarms or emergency mechanisms	Rep. Michael Kushmerek (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2019, this bill requires panic alarms or approved emergency systems in all public schools, with installation standards, MSBA funding, and DESE oversight to enhance emergency response and school safety. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB651/SB358	An Act to improve access, opportunity, and capacity in Massachusetts vocational-technical education	Rep. Frank A. Moran (D)/Sen. Paul Feeney (D)	09/30/25 Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in the 2023–2024 session, this bill allocates \$300 million for competitive grants and increased reimbursement rates to expand vocational-technical education through capital improvements, prioritizing high-demand programs, underserved regions, and equitable student access. 09/30/25 - Rep. Scanlon, vocational leaders, local officials, and advocates supported HB 651/SB 358, urging expanded vocational school capacity, higher MSBA reimbursement rates, and equitable access to meet workforce demand while easing financial burdens on municipalities and families. 12/04/25 - S. bill reported favorably as amended by Joint Committee carrying SB326, SB329, SB330, SB332, and SB384 on 11/17 as SB2690 and referred to S W/M's. 12/31/25 - Extension order filed (until 03/18/2026). 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB674	An Act relative to the consideration of ergonomically designed school buildings	Rep. Ted Philips (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2011, this bill promotes ergonomically designed school buildings by requiring the integration of ergonomic principles in the planning and renovation of classrooms and labs to enhance safety, comfort, and learning outcomes. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB677	An Act relative to increased access to safe swimming	Rep. Orlando Ramos (D)	05/12/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Education)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021 by Rep. Ramos, this bill allows MSBA grant reimbursements for school swimming pool projects in mid-sized, lower-income municipalities to expand access to safe swimming facilities. 05/12/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB1310/SB686	An Act to incentivize the adoption of local climate resilience policies	Rep. Lindsay Sabadosa (D)/Sen. Cynthia Stone Creem (D)	09/15/25 Committee Hearing (Financial Services)	Neutral	First filed in the 2023–2024 session, this bill creates the MVP Plus grant program and trust fund to support certified municipalities implementing climate resilience projects, policies, and codes; it was reported favorably but died in Senate Ways and Means. 09/15/25 - Emily Norton (Charles River Watershed Association), Nasser Brahim (Mystic River Watershed Association), and Melissa Brown (Trees as a Public Good) supported HB 1310/SB 686, urging an MVP Plus program to fund municipal climate resilience, green infrastructure, and urban tree preservation. 12/04/25 - No change. 01/12/2026 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to H & S W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

HB1628	An Act relative to penalties for unlicensed work	Rep. Mark J. Cusack (D)	07/29/25, Committee Hearing (Judiciary)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2013 and refiled as HB 1429, this bill increases financial penalties across several statutes, but has seen little movement, no testimony, and lacks co-sponsors. 07/29/25 : No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB2316/SB1462	An Act to improve parking and pedestrian safety	Rep. Brian Murray (D)/Sen. Patrick O'Connor (R)	07/22/25 Committee Hearing (Municipalities & Regional Government)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2019 with input from AIA MA and ACEC, this bill mandates protective pedestrian safety features in large commercial projects and creates an advisory group to develop best practices and regulations, with insurance incentives for compliance. 07/22/25 : Rep. Murray supported HB 2316, which requires barriers between parking and commercial buildings for projects over \$1 million and creates a pedestrian safety advisory group. He cited frequent vehicle-into-building crashes and urged action to improve storefront safety statewide. 12/04/25 - Sent to study on 10/27
HB2568	An Act requiring carbon monoxide alarms in all residential, governmental and commercial structures	Rep. Christine Barber (D)	06/11/2025, 1:00 PM - Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	First-time filing to require carbon monoxide detectors in all state-owned buildings and upon transfer or sale of any property, public or private. 06/11/25 - fire chiefs and NAGE representatives urged action to improve high-rise fire safety and require carbon monoxide detectors in public buildings statewide. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 09/22 and referred to H W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3300	An Act relative to bidding for public construction contracts	Rep. Antonio F.D. Cabral (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2017, this bill amends procurement law to classify certificate of eligibility applications as public records while protecting sensitive financial information from disclosure. 10/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/11/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3307	An Act banning hostile architecture targeting unhoused individuals	Rep. Mike Connolly (D)	09/09/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021, this bill bans hostile architecture targeting unhoused individuals in public spaces and facilities, with penalties for violations; it was reported favorably in the 2023-2024 session. 09/09/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 11/12 and referred to House Committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Placed in the Orders of the Day and ordered to a third reading on 12/04 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3333/SB2180	An Act relative to the definition of fraud in public construction bid laws	Rep. Ann-Margaret Ferrante (D)/Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2015, this bill clarifies definitions of fraud and responsibility in public construction bids to enhance transparency and integrity; AIA MA recommends seeking clarification before taking a position due to unclear language. 10/08/25 - Richard Marlin (MBTC) supported HB 3333/SB 2180 to define fraud in public construction bid laws and ensure eligibility certificates and update statements are public records, strengthening remedies for contractor misconduct and improving transparency in procurement processes. 12/04/25 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 11/24 and referred to S W/M's. 12/11/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3334/SB2186	An Act relative to timely public payments for work not included in original construction contracts	Rep. William C. Galvin (D)/Sen. Michael O. Moore (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2017, this bill sets strict deadlines for approving or rejecting public construction contract price increases; AIA MA recommends monitoring due to potential unintended consequences for architects. 10/08/25 - Jim Welch, Steve Amanti, Leslie Carrillo, Aideen Doneski, and Trish Boyden supported HB 3334/SB 2186, urging deadlines for public project change-order approvals to ensure timely payment, ease financial strain on subcontractors, and promote fairness and efficiency in state construction. 12/04/25 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 11/24 and referred to S W/M's. 12/11/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

HB3347	An Act relative to the fair participation of minority and women-owned businesses on public construction projects	Rep. Russell E. Holmes (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2015, this bill allows state agencies to set MBE/WBE participation goals on large public construction projects and permits subcontracting to meet those goals, with a waiver process for demonstrated good faith efforts. 10/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/11/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3361	An Act relative to timely decisions by awarding authorities	Rep. Daniel Hunt (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2015, this bill amends Chapter 30, Section 39P to shorten the response timeframe from thirty to fifteen days and limits the specified date to no more than sixty days from submission. 10/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/11/2025 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to House W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3371/SB2199	An Act relative to public construction certification	Rep. Meghan Kilcoyne (D)/Sen. Jake Oliveira (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Reviewed on 04/03/25, this bill extends the contractor performance review period from five to ten years and adds an inflation-based adjustment to bid eligibility limits during recertification. 10/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/24/2025 - Extension order filed on S 2199 only until 01/31/2026. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/09 and sent to S. W/M.
HB3372/SB2198	An Act relative to the submission of design-build proposals	Rep. Meghan Kilcoyne (D)/Sen. Jake Oliveira (D)	10/08/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	This bill shortens the timeline for submitting sealed price proposals to five days after technical proposals in certain design-build public works projects and has no impact on architectural practice. 10/08/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/24/2025 - Extension order filed on S 2198 only until 01/31/2026. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/09 and sent to S. W/M.
HB3411/SB2167	An Act to promote American manufacturing	Rep. Jeffrey N. Roy (D)/Sen. Joan B. Lovely (D)	07/15/25, Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2021, this bill mandates the use of American-made materials in public construction projects, with limited exceptions, and includes enforcement provisions; AIA MA recommends legal review for potential Chapter 149 implications. 07/15/25 : Senator Lovely and industry leaders urged passage of SB 2167/HB 3411 to prioritize U.S. steel in public projects, citing unfair foreign competition, job losses, and economic harm to local fabricators across Massachusetts, despite lower upfront costs from Canadian suppliers. 12/04/25 - S. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 07/24 and referred to S W/M's and H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/20 and referred to H W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
HB3436/SB2165	An Act relative to Chapter 30B procurement parity	Rep. Tommy Vitolo (D)/Sen. Jason M. Lewis (D)	07/15/25, Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	This bill raises Chapter 30B procurement thresholds from \$50,000 to \$100,000 and updates procedures to enhance efficiency, transparency, and flexibility in public purchasing processes. 07/15/25 : Ali DiMatteo (MMA) supported SB 2165/HB 3436 to raise the Chapter 30B cap to \$100,000, aligning with 2022 school purchasing updates. She cited inflation, inefficiencies from dual systems, and broad support from the Governor, Inspector General, and MAPO. 12/04/25 - H. bill reported favorably by Joint Committee on 10/20 and referred to H W/M's. 12/24/2025 - Extension order filed on S 2165 only until 01/31/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change on H. bill. Extension order on S 2165 extended until 02/28.

HB3523/SB2266	An Act relative to the electrification of new and substantially remodeled or rehabilitated	Rep. Jay D. Livingstone (D)/Sen. Lydia M. Edwards (D)	09/25/25 Committee Hearing (Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy)	Neutral	First filed in 2023 and sent to study, this bill mandates all-electric systems in new and majorly renovated buildings, sets strict emissions standards for biolabs and hospitals, and requires gas utilities to plan for a low-carbon transition. 09/25/25 - Kerry Catan of the Green Energy Consumers Alliance supported HB 3528/SB 2266 to advance all-electric new construction, emphasizing its role in reducing fossil fuel use, lowering emissions, and promoting affordable, energy-efficient housing as part of Massachusetts' broader decarbonization goals. 12/04/25 - H. bill extension order filed on 12/04 until 03/18 and S. bill sent to study. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB188	An Act allowing the board of state examiners of plumbers and gas fitters to vary regulations to advance reductions in greenhouse gas emissions	Sen. Michael Barrett (D)	04/29/2025, 10:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure)	Neutral	Newly filed in the 2025-2026 session, this bill allows plumbing variance approvals based on potential greenhouse gas reductions and promotes updates to regulations that support occupant health and the state's climate goals. 04/29/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably as amended by Joint Committee on 11/19 as SB2705 and referred to S W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change.
SB198	An Act relative to increasing opportunities for employment in professional licensure	Sen. Cynthia Stone Creem (D)	04/29/2025, 10:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure)	Neutral	Refiled from the 2023-2024 session, this bill aims to enhance employment opportunities by reducing occupational licensing barriers for formerly incarcerated individuals; previously sent to study. 04/29/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 11/06 and referred to Joint Committee on Rules. 01/08/2026 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee and sent to Senate W/M. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB223	An Act relative to clarifying homeowners right to perform electrical work	Sen. Peter J. Durant (R)	07/14/25 Committee Hearing (Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure)	Neutral	A refile of HB 286 that went to study, this bill broadens electrical permit eligibility by allowing owner-occupants of single-family homes to apply without being certified electricians and removes the "for hire" limitation from existing law. 07/14/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Sent to study order on 10/30.
SB1012	An Act relative to window guards in residential rental properties	Sen. Mark C. Montigny (D)	11/19/25 Committee Hearing (Housing)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2013, this bill requires landlords to install window guards in rental units upon request for families with children under ten, prohibits related fees, and mandates clear tenant notification to prevent accidental child falls. 11/19/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - Sent to d study order on 12/04.
SB1516	An Act to improve indoor air quality	Sen. William Driscoll (D)	06/11/2025, 9:00 AM - Committee Hearing (Public Health)	Neutral	First filed in the 2023-2024 session and sent to study, this bill establishes statewide indoor air quality regulations for public buildings, requiring assessments, reporting, and enforcement to protect public health and ensure timely remediation of poor air conditions. 06/11/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - S. bill reported favorably as amended by Joint Committee on 09/02 and referred to S W/M's. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.
SB1641	An Act creating the Public Safety Building Authority	Sen. Michael D. Brady (D)	09/10/25 Committee Hearing (Public Safety and Homeland Security)	Neutral	Originally filed in 2019, this bill creates the Massachusetts Municipal Public Safety Building Authority to oversee public safety facility projects, governed by state officials and appointed experts in emergency services and facility planning. 09/10/25 - Chief Brian Nardelli, Paul Jacques (PFFM), and Mike Pereira (MassCOP) testified in strong support of SB 1641, emphasizing the bill's creation of a Public Safety Building Authority to fund and modernize deteriorating fire and police facilities across Massachusetts. 12/04/25 - No change. 01/15/2026 - Attached to favorable report by Joint Committee (S 1650) and sent to Senate W/M. 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - No change.

SB2222	An Act providing for alternative delivery of infrastructure projects	Sen. Bruce E. Tarr (R)	07/22/25 Committee Hearing (State Administration & Regulatory Oversight)	Neutral	First filed this session, this bill creates a framework for public-private partnerships in utility infrastructure projects, allowing municipalities to bypass standard procurement laws while maintaining oversight, performance standards, and legal protections. 07/22/25 - No one testified on the bill. 12/04/25 - No change. 12/24/2025 - Extension order filed until 01/31/2026 . 02/02/26 - No change. 03/02/26 - Reported favorably by Joint Committee on 02/09 and sent to S. W/M.
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