RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING (FORMERLY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING)

Title of Rule: Rules and Regulations for the Establishment of the Transit-

Oriented Development Pilot Program

Rule Identifier: 310-RICR-60-35-1
Rulemaking Action: Proposed Adoption

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: November 18, 2025 End of Public Comment: December 18, 2025

Rulemaking Authority:

R.I. Gen. Laws § R.I. Gen. Laws § 45-24-77

R.I. Gen. Laws § R.I. Gen. Laws § 45-24-77(d)

R.I. Gen. Laws § R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-1

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

This proposed rule shall establish the Transit-Oriented Development Pilot Program through the Executive Office of Housing. The Transit-Oriented Development Pilot Program shall create compact, walkable, pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use communities centered around transit nodes that support vibrant, sustainable, and equitable communities throughout various municipalities in the State of Rhode Island.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed adoption until December 18, 2025 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

The proposed adoption serves primarily to set out the requirements of the enabling legislation established by Article 9 on July 1, 2025, and pertinent provisions of federal law. While the Executive Office of Housing has exercised discretion in any areas that may have cost consequences, it is determined that there are relatively low impact costs with the adoption of this rule.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.