

2021 End of Legislative Session Report

Community Associations Institute's (CAI) Rhode Island Legislative Action Committee (RILAC) had a very busy legislative session. There were more than 2,400 bills introduced, and the RI LAC closely monitored two bills that will directly impact community associations. Below is a brief overview:

S 392/H 5644, An Act Relating to Property – Condominium Law – Resale of Units. RI LAC aggressively opposed this legislation, which imposes a ceiling on a condominium association's ability to only be able to charge a fee of up to one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) for preparation of a resale certificate in the state of Rhode Island. Throughout this legislative session, the RI LAC actively testified against this legislation during hearings and engaged more than 150 Rhode Island grassroots advocates to send emails and letters on behalf of their condominium associations urging the Rhode Island legislature and Governor to oppose this legislation. In the end, the legislature and Governor ignored the voices of dozens of Rhode Island condominium associations and passed this legislation. The LAC will spend the off-season working on legislative and practical fixes to this new imposition. This bill became effective on June 18, 2021, without the Governor's signature.

Status: PASSED

For more information on the RI LAC's activities and community association legislation in Rhode Island, visit http://www.caionline.org/RILAC.

Your Assistance is Needed

The CAI Rhode Island LAC uses professional lobbyists as a vital and integral part of the legislative process. As volunteers, CAI RI LAC members significantly rely on this highly effective professional representation. To help fund the CAI RI LAC advocacy activities in 2021 and beyond, donations are vital to our continued successes. We encourage donations from Rhode Island community associations and individuals. Please visit www.caionline.org/lacdonate/ and donate to "Rhode Island" to support our continued efforts.

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