

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

MARCH 7, 2023
TOWN COUNCIL



OVERVIEW

- General Assembly in session January 9-May 8
- Staff monitors, but does not take any positions on, legislation unless Council directs it
- Several bills have been introduced that are of municipal interest – if Council is interested in information on any specific bills not addressed tonight, staff can provide an update at a future meeting

NEW ITEMS

ITEM RECOMMENDED TO SUPPORT

SB 150: Require Labeling Disposable Wipes – Would require “Do Not Flush” labels on wipes, which can clog wastewater infrastructure and block/overflow sewers

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO OPPOSE

SB 111: Public Employees’ Workplace Protection – Would bring municipalities into the collective bargaining conversation; presents high conflict potential for home rule municipalities

HB 1169: Limit Arrest For Low-Level Offenses – Would prohibit arrests based solely on the alleged commission of a petty offense – a summons would be issued instead; CRPD would not be able to arrest someone for most violations of the Town’s Municipal Code

UPDATES ON PAST ITEMS

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT – SUPPORTING

- *Senate Bill 97* is presently in Appropriations

LOCAL CONTROL OF PSILOCYBIN MUSHROOMS – SUPPORTING

- This anticipated legislation has not been introduced yet

STATEWIDE LAND USE AND ZONING REGULATIONS – OPPOSING

- Council is opposed to any bill to create statewide land use and zoning regulations – this position has been communicated to the Douglas County legislative delegation



PROPOSED MOTION

"I move to affirm staff's recommended positions on State legislation as presented and direct staff to communicate the positions to the Town's legislative delegation, CML and others."