



MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Legislative Committee Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of [January Meeting Minutes](#) (vote)
3. Timeline Review of 2-Year Session
 - a. Jan – March FY27 Budget Season begins
 - b. April – June 30 2026, 194th Legislative Session Closes
4. Old Business
 - a. Review updated [194th Legislative Tracker](#) & Bill Progress Updates
 - i. **Submitted testimony for 14 out of 20 of our priority bills**
 - ii. **1 MCSW Technical Bill > HWM**
 - iii. **POB > HWM:** POB Coalition seeking bill co-sponsors & coalition members
 - iv. **Fair Investment/Capital Equity:** Seeking bill co-sponsors
 - v. **Remote Meetings:** [Submitted Testimony](#) > HWM
5. New Business
 - a. Commissioner Advocacy > MCSW to meet with HWM
 - b. Welcome LegPP Secretary Lise Olney
6. Adjourn

The listing of items is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be addressed to the extent permitted by law. The order of items discussed may be varied by the Chair.

Attachments:

- a. [The 194th General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts](#)
- b. [MA Legal Services Legislative Process](#)
- c. [Written testimony template](#)

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Approved By: Guimel DeCarvalho, Committee Chair

Committee Members:

Voting:

Guimel Decarvalho, Chair
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Lise Olney, Secretary



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