

Legislative developments since the last update on 6/5/2026:

Article 9 and Lien-Related Legislation

Pennsylvania: House Bill 2610 was introduced on 6/5/2026 to provide for electronic filing of commonwealth tax liens in a central repository maintained by the department of revenue.

Rhode Island: House Bill 8324, which would address fraudulent filing with the secretary of state, passed the Senate on 6/9/2026. The bill includes (i) the Hip-Pocket Amendments to UCC Article 9; provisions that prohibit and provide remedies for unauthorized business formation or filing; and (iii) would prohibit misleading business solicitations. For purposes of this bill, "solicitation" means a communication or advertisement from a nongovernment third party entity that is directed to a business that purports to: (i) notify the business of an operating requirement including, but not limited to, filing documents with or retrieving documents from the secretary of state; or (ii) offer a service that relates to filing documents with, producing documents for, or reporting information to the secretary of state.

Rhode Island: Senate Bill 3212, which would address fraudulent filing with the secretary of state, passed the House on 6/8/2026 and the bill is now pending delivery to the governor. The bill includes (i) the Hip-Pocket Amendments to UCC Article 9; (ii) provisions that prohibit and provide remedies for unauthorized business formation or filing; and (iii) would prohibit misleading business solicitations. For purposes of this bill, "solicitation" means a communication or advertisement from a nongovernment third party entity that is directed to a business that purports to: (i) notify the business of an operating requirement including, but not limited to, filing documents with or retrieving documents from the secretary of state; or (ii) offer a service that relates to filing documents with, producing documents for, or reporting information to the secretary of state.

Other Uniform Laws Legislation (Includes the 2022 Amendments to the UCC with UCC Article 12 - Controllable Electronic Records)

No developments to report this week.

Business Organization Legislation (Includes Registered Agent Provisions)

Delaware: House Bill 298, which would make periodic adjustments to the Delaware Statutory Trust Act to keep it current, passed the Senate on 6/9/2026 and is pending delivery to the governor. The bill includes a long list of amendments to the act.

Rhode Island: House Bill 7477, which would replace the existing LLC act with a newer and updated model act, passed the House on 6/8/2026. The Senate then passed the measure on 6/11/2026 and is pending return to the House before delivery to the governor. This act

would modernize existing requirements for the formation, dissolution, winding up, merger, conversion, and domestication of LLCs. It would also revise statutory provisions concerning the rights, obligations, and fiduciary duties of LLC constituents. Finally, the act would eliminate statutory apparent authority for members and managers and instead rely on basic principles of agency law to resolve questions of authority.

Rhode Island: Senate Bill 2780, which would replace the existing limited liability company act with a newer and updated model act, passed the Senate on 6/10/2026. The House then took up the measure and passed it on 6/11/2026. The bill is pending further action before delivery to the governor. If enacted, the bill would (i) modernize existing requirements for the formation, dissolution, winding up, merger, conversion, and domestication of LLCs; (ii) revise statutory provisions concerning the rights, obligations, and fiduciary duties of LLC constituents; (iii) make operating agreements with the organizational hub of LLC law and operations; and (iv) eliminate statutory apparent authority for members and managers and instead rely on basic principles of agency law to resolve questions of authority.

Notary Legislation

No developments to report this week.

Real-Estate-Recording-Related Legislation

Delaware: Senate Bill 316, which would clarify the power of a Delaware attorney to satisfy a mortgage, passed the Senate on 6/9/2026 and is pending in the House. The bill would provide that a licensed Delaware attorney may, in addition to administratively satisfying a mortgage to clear the title record, also file an administrative satisfaction or partial release for any other type of lien that the Delaware attorney paid off.

Rhode Island: The governor signed House Bill 7551 on 6/10/2026 to establish the criminal offense of real estate title fraud. Additionally, this act allows municipalities to refuse to record “suspicious documents” from persons who are not trusted submitters. The act will also require each municipality to establish a property alert notification system by 1/1/2028 to notify the owner of a property upon recording of any document. The new law took effect immediately.

Rhode Island: Senate Bill 2450, which addresses conveyance tax, passed the Senate on 6/10/2026. The bill would require that the tax imposed upon the conveyance of any real property that is located in more than one municipality to be allocated between or among the municipalities in proportions to the assessed value of the property located in each municipality.

Rhode Island: The governor signed Senate Bill 2715 on 6/10/2026 to address real estate title fraud. This measure appears to be a companion to House Bill 7551. It creates the offense of real estate title fraud, requires persons other than trusted submitters to provide identification when recording instruments and will establish a property alert notification system by 1/1/2028. The new law took effect immediately.

Other Items/Legislation of Interest

No developments to report this week.