

# General Law Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

**Bill No:** HB-5349 / [Bill Status](#) / [Public Hearing Testimony](#)

**Title:** AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE OPERATIONS OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION.

**Vote Date:** 3/11/2026

**Vote Action:** Joint Favorable

**PH Date:** 3/4/2026

**File No.:**

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## **SPONSORS OF BILL:**

General Law Committee

## **REASONS FOR BILL:**

Although the language of the bill would create a task force to study consumer protection and occupational licensing issues, the committee raised HB 5349 with the intent of it serving as a placeholder for any unexpected issues that may arise during the 2026 legislative session.

## **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

None recorded.

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

[Lou Rinaldi](#) testified in support of HB 5349. His testimony expresses frustration with the legislature and the Department of Consumer Protection.

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

None recorded.

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**Date:** March 15, 2026