**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**February 3, 2026**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

**The Committee on Transportation to which was referred HB 1551-FN,**

**AN ACT relative to permanent vehicle registrations.**

**Having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is**

**INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

**Rep. Matthew Pitaro**

**FOR THE COMMITTEE**

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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| Committee: | **Transportation** |
| Bill Number: | **HB 1551-FN** |
| Title: | **relative to permanent vehicle registrations.** |
| Date: | **February 3, 2026** |
| Consent Calendar: | **CONSENT** |
| Recommendation: | **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE** |

## STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 15-0.

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