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Panelists

Julie Wake, *Arts Foundation of Cape Cod*

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Edye Nesmith, *Cape Cod Council of Churches*

Mahesh Ramachandran, *Cape Cod Commission*

Maggie Downey, *Cape Light Compact*

David Agnew, *Pilgrim Legislative Advocacy Coalition*

Dr. Molly Perdue, *Alzheimer's Support Center of Cape Cod*

David Carbone, *Seashore Point*

Dick Elkin, *Nauset Neighbors & Village to Village Network*

Richard Knowlton, *EMS Services*

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Teresa Martin, *Cape Eyes*

Wendy Northcross, *Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce*

Ann Van Vleck, *Cape Cod Young Professionals*

Heather Harper, *Cape Cod Commission*



United States Representative

BILL KEATING

Representing the *9th* District of Massachusetts

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Public Health

An Act Relative to Effective Health Care Cost Control :

- Requires the state to compare total health care spending with projected healthcare spending if the Commonwealth implemented a single payer healthcare system.
- If the single payer benchmark outweighs actual healthcare spending, the state must develop a single payer plan to submit to the legislature.

An Act Relative to HIV Screening and Prevention :

- Studies the feasibility of insurance reimbursement for STI screening prevention and treatment services.
- Simplifies burdensome protocol for regular HIV testing.

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Public Health

An Act Modernizing Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention:

- Updates the definition of lead poisoning to be inline with other New England States
- Increases funds for lead poisoning assessment and prevention, which have not been increased since the early 1990s.

An Act Relative to the Availability of Sunscreen for Students:

- Currently, sunscreen is categorized as a “drug” product at the Federal and State level, and therefore prohibited at all public schools.
- This act serves to declassify sunscreen as a “drug” and fully allow the use of sunscreens in all public schools in Massachusetts.

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Environmental Stewardship

An Act Relative to the Timely Notification of Releases of Radiation:

- Requires power plants to post all plans for routine and continuous releases of radiation to the atmosphere.

An Act Relative to Responsible Emergency Planning at Nuclear Power Plants:

- Allows the Department of Public Health to make assessments against power plants that harbor nuclear materials. Ensures that the power plant compensates the Department of Public Health for the cost of running the Commonwealth's radiation control program.

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Environmental Stewardship

An Act for Community Empowerment:

- Allows communities to choose – through a democratic process – what types of renewable energy projects they want to support with their electric bill.
- Residents stabilize a portion of their electric bill for a period of 10 years or more. When wholesale prices go above to with a renewable energy project, residents receive a credit on their electricity bill.
- Renewable energy projects can receive the financial support they need to get built, hastening the transition to fossil-free energy and empowering local communities to fight climate change.

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Tackling the Opioid Epidemic

An Act to Prevent Adolescent Substance Abuse:

- Creates an Adolescent Substance Use Prevention and Early Intervention Trust Fund.

An Act Strengthening Prescription Drug Safety and Drug Stewardship:

- This bill removes a provision that would weaken the ability to implement important opioid safety programs.

An Act Providing Full-Spectrum Addiction Treatment Services:

- Requires commercial insurance to cover up to 30 days of treatment, and improves access to step-down treatment.

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Housing Affordability

An Act Authorizing First-time Home Buyer Savings Accounts:

- Enables first-time home buyers to save for a single family home in the Commonwealth.
- Allows any individual to designate an account, in its entirety, as a first-time home buyers savings account; which is deductible each tax year.

An Act Relative to the Establishment of a Means Tested Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption

- Provides an additional property tax break for older adults who already qualify for the senior circuit breaker tax credit.
- Increases the ease of affording increasing property taxes on a fixed income.

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Committee Assignments

Joint Committee on Community Development and Small Business; *Chairman*

Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts, and Cultural Development; *Vice Chair*

Joint Committee on Elder Affairs; *Vice Chair*

Joint Committee on Housing; *Member*

Joint Committee on Children, Families, and Persons with Disabilities; *Member*

Joint Committee on Public Health; *Member*

Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government; *Member*

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Living on the Cape and Islands

Strong communities are welcoming and equitable for all and rely on active citizens.

Location: Tilden Art Studio A

Facilitator: Jeffrey Soares, *Economic Researcher* – Pink pamphlet

Panelists:

- Julie Wake, *Arts Foundation of Cape Cod*
- Rene King, *YMCA of Cape Cod*
- Collin Mickle, *Community Action Committee of Cape Cod & the Islands*
- Edye Nesmith, *Council of Churches*

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Working on the Cape and Islands

Job opportunities, available housing, and a strong workforce are critical to a sustainable economy.

Location: Tilden Studio Theatre

Facilitator: Mark Forest, *Former Chief of Staff to Congressman Delahunt & former aide to Congressman Studds* – White pamphlet

Panelists:

- Teresa Martin, *Cape Eyes*
- Wendy Northcross, *Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce*
- Ann Van Vleck, *Cape Cod Young Professionals Association*
- Heather Harper, *Cape Cod Commission*

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Raising a Family on the Cape and Islands

Access to education and key services are critical to families of Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket.

Location: Tilden Main Theatre

Facilitator: Marie Enochy, *Brewster School Committee* – Yellow pamphlet

Panelists:

- Elizabeth Aldred, *Cape Cod Children's Place*
- Margeaux Weber, *Barnstable School Committee*

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Aging on the Cape and Islands

Our population is aging – meeting the needs of our older adults is critical.

Location: Tilden Art Studio B

Facilitator: David Schropfer, *Representative of the Barnstable County Human Rights Commission* – Orange pamphlet

Panelists:

- Dr. Molly Perdue, PhD, *Alzheimer's Support Center of Cape Cod*
- David Carbone, *Seashore Point*
- Dick Elkin, *Nauset Neighbors & Village to Village Network*
- Rick Knowlton, *EMS Services*

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Preserving the Cape and Islands

Stewardship of our fragile environment and action to mitigate climate change is critical.

Location: Lorusso Solarium

Facilitator: Susan Condon, *Environmental Health Consultant, former Associate Commissioner of the Department of Public Health – Green pamphlet*

Panelists:

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- Maggie Downey, *Cape Light Compact*
- David Agnew, *Pilgrim Legislative Advocacy Coalition*

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Serving the Cape and Islands

Residents on the Cape and Islands share a deep commitment to service, access to healthcare, and honoring those who have served.

Location: Tilden Music Room

Facilitator: Joe Gill, *Veteran & Administrative Organizer - SEIU 1199 – Blue Pamphlet*

Panelists:

- Bill Flynn, *EMS Services & former Deputy Chief of the Harwich Fire Department*
- Brigadier General (Ret.) Tony Schiavi, *former Executive Director of Joint Base Cape Cod*
- Heidi Romans Nelson, *Duffy Health Center*