

# COMMON CAUSE RHODE ISLAND

Common Cause Rhode Island's

## Demystifying Democracy Series

In 2017 Common Cause Rhode Island is introducing our new Demystifying Democracy series. This series will focus on empowering citizens to participate in our state and local democracy by providing a behind-the-scenes look at government. We will bring together a diverse group of experts from advocacy, journalism, government, and elsewhere, to inform and empower Rhode Islanders.



**Saturday, February 11, 2017**

### **I'm Just a Bill (held for further study)**

Understanding the Legislative Process in Rhode Island

**PANELISTS INCLUDE**

Former Representative **Maria Cimini**

State Representative **Brian Newberry**

**Kathy Gregg**, Providence Journal reporter

**Meg Kerr**, Audubon Society of Rhode Island

**Saturday, April 1, 2017**

### **Making Your Point in 3 Minutes or Less**

Testifying at the General Assembly

**PRESENTERS INCLUDE**

**LeeAnn Byrne**, RI Coalition for the Homeless

**Dawn Euer**, Formerly Marriage Equality RI

**Lisa Gomes**, Parent at Blackstone Valley Prep

**Saturday, May 20, 2017**

### **No Math Required**

Understanding Rhode Island's State Budget Process

**PANELISTS INCLUDE**

**Dan Beardsley**, Former Executive Director,  
Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns

Former Representative **Dan Reilly**

State Representative **Carlos Tobon**

All events are free and open to the public.

**Space is limited and registration is required.**

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