

ABOUT STATE REPRESENTATIVE BRIAN C. NEWBERRY



Brian C. Newberry (R) has represented District 48, covering most of North Smithfield and part of Burrillville, since first being elected in November 2008. He served as the House Minority Leader from 2011-2017, when he chose not to seek re-election. Before that, he served as Minority Whip. He serves on the House Corporations Committee (considers commerce and economic development matters), the House Rules Committee (discusses rules for consideration for the RI House of Representatives for 2025/26); House Conduct (peer review) and the House State Government and Elections Committee (addresses legislation pertinent to core government services and election matters).

During the 2025 legislative session, Rhode Island House Minority Leader Michael Chippendale and members of the House Minority Caucus presented a detailed fiscal and policy map for the General Assembly --and the public-- to consider: The Rhode Island House Republican FY 2026 Budget and Policies Report. House Republicans offer budget principles for a sustainable Rhode Island, which provides a stark contrast and an alternative approach to the majority's past enacted budgets. Rhode Island House Republicans seek to right-size Rhode Island's budget, which is disproportionate to the state's size, economy and population. It is unsustainable and burdensome for taxpayers. Republicans seek to make the government more accountable, transparent and efficient through the budgetary process.

An attorney specializing in commercial litigation and professional malpractice defense, Rep. Newberry is a Partner in the law firm of Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP. He earned his Juris Doctorate, Magna Cum Laude, from Temple University School of Law, in 1996. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Pennsylvania in 1993 and earned his high school diploma at Choate Rosemary Hall in 1989.

A former Little League and Soccer Association Coach, and member of Central Congregational Church, Rep. Newberry is the former Vice-Chairman of the North Smithfield Republican Town Committee, a former long time member of the North Smithfield Library Board of Trustees and the former Chairman of the North Smithfield Juvenile Hearing Board.

Born on December 10, 1971, he is married to Elizabeth and they have three children, Diane, Liam and Aidan.