



## Inside Track



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### **Rhode Island House Passes Bill to Legalize Human Composting**

On June 11, the Rhode Island House of Representatives approved legislation that would legalize “human composting” as an alternative to traditional burial or cremation. The bill, H7212, is awaiting further consideration in the state Senate.

The proposed legislation aims to establish guidelines for the operation of facilities dedicated to so-called natural organic reduction, a process of converting human remains into soil. This process is performed in specialized facilities, where deceased bodies are placed into vessels along with organic materials such as wood chips and straw. The chambers maintain a warm temperature between 130 and 160 degrees and regularly blend the contents over four to seven weeks. This environment allows microbes and heat to transform the remains into about a cubic yard of compost.

According to a press release posted by a principal author of the bill, Representative Michelle McGaw (D), “human composting” is a way to reduce someone’s “carbon footprint” even after that person is no more.

A June 11 report in *The Boston Globe* noted that the legislation “drew vehement opposition” as well as “enthusiastic support.” Those opposing the bill expressed worries about the impact of “composting” the bodies of those who died of infectious diseases, and said that such a measure would send “a clear philosophical and religious message” that “[legislators] view human remains as nothing more than any other form of refuse that we discard.” However, one backer of the bill “said there is ‘something beautiful’ about the idea of scattering composted remains in a forest.... ‘Talk about a tree of life.... That, to me, is absolutely lovely.’”

Rhode Island joins 10 other states with similar legislation: Arizona, California, Colorado, Delaware, Maryland, Nevada, New York, Oregon, Vermont, and Washington. Washington was the first state to legalize the practice, with the law being approved in 2019 and taking effect in 2020.

— *Veronika Kyrylenko*



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(YouTube/LEGO)

## LEGO Offers Drag Queens and Furies for “Pride” Month

“These dazzling minifigures are ready for Pride with their very own spectacular Pride celebration!” LEGO stated on Instagram June 20. The celebration features drag queens and “furries,” among other deviant identities.

In a June 22 article, Breitbart further described the popular toy-building-block maker’s recent commercial for its new figures:

LEGO’s minifigure parade features a disturbingly large number of furries, which are people who become sexually aroused by dressing up as animals. Most of the furries in the video are costumed as bears, though at least one is dressed as an elephant. Furries are sometimes referred to as “furverts,” mainly in the U.K. The parade also features drag queens, a Village People-style cowboy, and what appears to be a go-go dancer. Other figures making an appearance are the rainbow-colored cast of LEGO’s “[Everyone] is Awesome” gay-pride set for kids. LEGO’s parade culminates with the toys hopping aboard a Roomba that morphs into a gay pride float.

This isn’t the first time LEGO has encouraged sexual devolutionary behavior, either. Two years ago the toy maker ran a commercial including testimonials from a “transgender” individual and other sexual devolutionaries. In 2021’s “The A-Z of Awesome,” a man masquerading as a woman proudly states, “What I built here was a transgender garden, so all these different aspects of gender have their place in that garden.” According to *USA Today*, that commercial was meant to promote LEGO’s first “LGBTQ-themed set,” called “Everyone is Awesome.”



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Some observers have noted that LEGO's "Pride" portrayal doesn't exactly display *all* its "awesomeness." For example, "Funny how their ad has them in clothes and not dancing nude in front of kids, like in San Francisco's pride parades," wrote a top YouTube commenter under the 2021 commercial.

— *Selwyn Duke*



(YouTube/theDC Shorts)

## Climate Crazyes Paint Jets Orange in U.K.

The Associated Press reported on June 20 that two climate activists were arrested that day after cutting a fence at a London-area airport and spray-painting two private jets orange.

In a statement, activist organization Just Stop Oil claimed responsibility for the vandalism and named the perpetrators as Jennifer Kowalski and Cole Macdonald. The group posted a video on X showing one using a power tool to slice through a security fence, and one spray-painting a jet with bright orange paint. The group said the stunt was meant to bring attention to the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty and the need to phase out oil, gas, and coal.

"In 2024 we all have to be considering what we can do each day to change the course our society is on. We need an emergency treaty to stop the extraction and burning of oil, gas and coal by 2030," said Kowalski.

"Whilst governments are allowing oil corporations to run amok destroying our communities, the actions of individuals mean very little. That's why Just Stop Oil is demanding that our next government sign up to a legally binding treaty to phase out fossil fuels by 2030," a group spokesman added.

The airport action came just one day after activists similarly defaced the prehistoric megalithic structure at Stonehenge on the Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire in southwest England. Just Stop Oil took credit for that stunt as well, although in that incident they used not paint but an orange cornflour mixture. The group promised more chicanery should their demands not be met.

"Failure to defend the people they represent will mean Just Stop Oil supporters, along with citizens from Austria, Canada, Norway, the Netherlands and Switzerland will join in resistance this summer, if their own Governments do not take meaningful action," they proclaimed.



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— *James Murphy*

## **NYC to Pay \$350K to “Trans Woman” for Housing Him in Men’s Prison**



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New York City taxpayers will shell out \$350,000 to a man who pretends he is a “Muslim woman” for keeping him in the men’s section of Rikers Island in the Bronx.

Dylan Miles, who “identifies” as Ali Miles, was in the facility for only a month or so, having been collared on a warrant issued in Arizona for domestic violence.

“Following his brief detention on Rikers Island, he was transferred back to Arizona and placed in Yavapai County Jail,” ReduXX reported on June 25. “He was ultimately tried and found guilty of two counts of aggravated harassment per domestic violence.” He was also convicted of three misdemeanors, and was sentenced in October 2022 to 312 days in jail minus 132 days already served, three years’ probation, and a domestic-violence assessment.

But in August last year he sued for “gender identity discrimination.” “The suit argued that Miles had informed the court that he was transgender and required special detention accommodations,” ReduXX explained. Amazingly, a judge agreed. “Orders were then marked to notify the prison and Intake Personnel that Miles was to be housed at the female-only Rose M. Singer facility on Rikers Island, but he was not.” Further, “Miles claimed that he suffered discrimination, including being subjected to ‘transphobic’ remarks from prison staff.... He also claimed to have been the victim of sexual assaults, in particular emphasizing his ‘sexual victimization’ by multiple ‘African American male’ inmates.”

Even though the city “rejected and refuted” the claims and admitted no guilt, it offered to settle for \$350,000.

ReduXX noted five other suits that Miles has filed: In May 2023 he sued a yoga studio in New York for \$5 million because employees told him to use the men’s restroom, and in February 2022 he sued an Arizona-based business for \$75,000 for wrongly firing him and subjecting him to “gender identity-based harassment and discrimination.” Similarly, he has also sued Planet Fitness, restaurant Bagel Point, and New York Presbyterian Hospital.



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