
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

**H-7844 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE SPONSOR
H-8006 HAS BEEN ADDED**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 14, 2024
TIME: Rise of the House
PLACE: Room 101 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7328](#)

BY Ajello, Knight, J. Lombardi, Handy, Kislak, Shallcross Smith, Chippendale, Batista, Tanzi, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC4094/1} (Includes the general assembly elections within the category of elections subject to the risk-limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections.)

01/26/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/02/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/06/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7469](#)

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- INTERSTATE COMPACT ON INDUSTRIALIZED/MODULAR BUILDINGS {LC4390/1} (Repeals the Interstate Compact on Industrialized/Modular Buildings in its entirety.)

02/02/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/23/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/29/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7470](#)

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Cardillo, Azzinaro, Noret, Finkelman, Shanley, Felix, Phillips, Serpa, O'Brien, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS {LC4411/1} (Adds "loose material" to the contents of a vehicle that must be covered by a covering that must remain in place until the vehicle's contents are purged from the vehicle.)

02/02/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

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02/23/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/29/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7471](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Tanzi, Felix, Potter, Cotter, Donovan, J. Lombardi, Hull, Shallcross Smith, Ajello, Alzate ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES {LC4451/1} (Amends several provisions relative to motorcycles and motor scooter license and educational requirements including deleting the learners permit requirement for motorcycles.)

02/02/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/23/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/29/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7583](#)

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- PUBLIC BUILDINGS {LC4862/1} (Allows the department of administration to temporarily loan the state battle flags and markers to approved federal or state agencies under the condition that such loan is insured by bond against damage or loss.)

02/09/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/23/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/29/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7180](#)

BY Spears, Speakman, Carson, Donovan, Kislak, Tanzi, Fogarty, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES {LC4046/1} (Requires the secretary of the executive office of health and human services to present to the general assembly a plan for the realignment of state hospitals into a department of hospitals no later than July 1, 2024.)

01/11/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [7395](#)

BY Place, Sanchez, Knight, J. Brien

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- JURY NULLIFICATION AS PROPER TRIAL DEFENSE ARGUMENT {LC4109/1} (This joint resolution would propose to the voters a constitutional amendment which would allow a criminal defendant to argue jury nullification as a defense.)

01/31/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [7396](#)

BY Messier, Knight, Kislak, Morales, Handy, Serpa, Fellela, Donovan, Speakman, Spears

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- RIGHT TO AN ADEQUATE EDUCATION {LC4072/1} (Amends the constitution to guarantee Rhode Island residents with equal opportunity to receive an education that is adequate, equitable and meaningful and provides judicial enforcement of this provision.)

01/31/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7758](#)

(Judiciary)

BY Edwards, Shanley, Casey, Speakman, Knight, Solomon, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS {LC5127/1} (Amends the definition of public record to exempt from public disclosure the city or town of residence of the justices, judges, and magistrates of the unified judicial system.)

02/28/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7760](#)

BY Henries, Morales, Stewart, Tanzi, Alzate, Sanchez, Cotter, Felix, Giraldo, J. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC5405/1} (Exempts all Narragansett Indian Tribe homeowners from real estate taxes and real estate tax liens, imposed by the state or any municipality. Also declares the Tribe as the sole sovereign federally recognized Indian Tribe in Rhode Island.)

02/28/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7761](#)

BY Henries, Tanzi, Morales, Sanchez, Giraldo, Alzate, Felix, J. Lombardi, Cotter, Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS --

NARRAGANSETT TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY ACT {LC5408/1} (Exempts all Narragansett Indian Tribe members owning real estate, whether privately, commercially, in nonprofit corporations or in land trusts, from all real estate taxes imposed by the state or any municipality.)

02/28/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7762](#)

BY Henries, Morales, Stewart, Sanchez, Felix, Giraldo, Alzate, J. Lombardi, Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS --

NARRAGANSETT INDIAN LAND MANAGEMENT CORPORATION {LC5409/1} (Repeals sections of the Narragansett Indian Land Management Corporation Act and acknowledges the Narragansett Indian Tribe as the sole aboriginal people sovereign to the territory of what is now known as Rhode Island.)

02/28/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7844](#)

(Attorney General)

~~**BY Cortvriend, Tanzi, Knight, Finkelman, Handy, Azzinaro, Edwards, Speakman, McNamara, Fogarty**~~

~~**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL**~~

~~RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL {LC5571/1} (Replaces the coastal resources management council with a state department of coastal resources and transfers all of the powers and duties between the two (2) authorities.)~~

~~03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections~~

~~03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

House Bill No. [7845](#)

BY Morales, Giraldo, Donovan, Tanzi, Stewart, Alzate, Diaz, Kislak, Batista, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION--HUMAN SERVICES FTE ACCOUNTABILITY PORTAL {LC5144/1} (Directs the department of administration to establish a human services transparency FTE portal.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7894](#)

(Attorney General)

BY Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- INTERLOCAL

CONTRACTING AND JOINT ENTERPRISE {LC5089/1} (Removes the attorney general's oversight of interlocal agreements.)

03/04/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/08/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8006](#)

(CRMC)

BY Spears, Speakman, Cortvriend, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL {LC4325/1} (Provides that the legislature would be the body that negotiates on behalf of the state for all activities occurring in, on and over state submerged land extending beyond twenty-five (25) acres.)

03/05/2024 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/11/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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