
SENATE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

PLEASE NOTE: TIME CHANGE

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, March 27, 2024

TIME: 4:30 PM

PLACE: Room 211 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2126](#)

BY Felag, F. Lombardi, Britto, Raptakis, Ujifusa, Gallo, Lombardo, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

-- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE {LC3881/1} (Provides that the fifth day in April in each year be designated as "Rhode Island Gold Star Spouses Day" with appropriate exercises in public places and with flags flown at half-staff over the state house.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2128](#)

BY Felag, F. Lombardi, Ciccone, Lombardo, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- POSTING OF

VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES {LC3884/1} (Requires employers in the state with more than 50 employees to display a poster containing basic information on veterans' benefits and services be created and distributed by the DLT in consultation with the office of veterans services.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2242](#)

BY Kallman, Valverde, DiMario, Miller, Gu, Cano, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

-- HOLIDAYS {LC3521/1} (Changes the name of the holiday on the second Monday of August from Victory Day to Peace and Remembrance Day.)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2694](#)

BY Felag, Raptakis, Lauria, Tikoian, Quezada

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION

FEES {LC3896/1} (Disabled veteran license plate may be transferred to veterans' spouse or issued to veteran or veterans spouse.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2696](#)

BY Gu, F. Lombardi, Felag, Lauria, Lawson, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE {LC5291/1} (Directs the governor to select a day and annually order the lowering of flags to half-mast on any state buildings to honor the passing of first responders.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2699](#)

BY Gu, Raptakis, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES {LC3924/1} (Removes the requirement that the applicant for a Bronze Star Medal license plate pay a registration fee or transfer charge.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2700](#)

BY Felag, Raptakis, Bissaillon, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES {LC4903/1} (Provides protection and prevent the unethical, improper conduct and the collection of fees, by anyone advising or assisting a veteran filing a claim for disability benefits with the Department of Veterans Affairs except as authorized by federal law.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2701](#)

BY Bissaillon, Ruggerio, Pearson, F. Lombardi, Gallo, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS {LC5498/1} (Amends the "work on holidays and Sundays" statute to include Washington's Birthday in the definition of holidays for the purpose of this statute.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2837](#)

(Veterans)

BY Felag, Ujifusa, Acosta, E Morgan, Raptakis, Euer, Lauria, Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE {LC4455/1} (Provides that the fifth day in April in each year be designated as "Rhode Island Gold Star Spouses Day" with appropriate exercises in public places and with flags flown at half-staff over the state house.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2839](#)

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Felag, Raptakis, Bissaillon, E Morgan, Acosta, Euer, Lauria, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- PUBLIC BUILDINGS {LC4946/1} (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.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

The meeting will be televised by Capitol Television on: Cox Communications, channels 15 and 61 for high definition; i3Broadband (Formerly Full Channel) on 15; and Verizon, on channel 34.

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