
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & AGRICULTURE

PROPOSED SUB A FOR S-2153 HAS BEEN ADDED

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 10, 2024

TIME: 4:30 PM

PLACE: Senate Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2153](#)

BY Sosnowski, DiMario, Raptakis, F. Lombardi, Felag, Gu, de la Cruz

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

LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM {LC3645/1} (Establishes the Rhode Island lake management program and a restricted receipt account as a fund within the department of environmental management to aid with lake and pond management issues relating to the control of aquatic invasive plants.)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

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

03/27/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/05/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7657](#)

BY Costantino, Rea

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

{LC5056/1} (Permits Smithfield to enact ordinances that would allow the animal control officer to issue citations which could be paid by mail and to prescribe penalties for violations of the town's ordinances regulating dogs.)

02/15/2024 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/07/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/15/2024 Scheduled for consideration

03/19/2024 Committee recommends passage

03/22/2024 Placed on House Calendar

03/28/2024 House read and passed

04/03/2024 Referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2812](#)

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Bissaillon, Picard, Gu, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PET INSURANCE ACT {LC4387/1}

(Enacts a chapter to regulate pet insurance.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2810](#)

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Tikoian, DiMario, Rogers, LaMountain, Britto, Felag, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- DEER HUNTING {LC4346/1}

(Modifies reporting requirements regarding collisions between vehicles and wildlife where the vehicle has been substantially damaged.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2744](#)

BY Ruggerio, LaMountain, Kallman, Euer, Valverde, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

{LC5657/1} (Increases the penalty for violations of the care of dogs statute to a minimum fine of one hundred dollars (\$100) and a maximum fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation.)

03/08/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2537](#)

BY Paolino, de la Cruz, Rogers, DeLuca

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- ORGANIC

FARMING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM {LC5244/1} (Establishes the organic farming and certification program to be administered by the department of environmental management.)

03/01/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2295](#)

BY Rogers, E Morgan, DeLuca, DiPalma, Tikoian, Ciccone, Sosnowski, Paolino, McKenney, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- MILK SANITATION CODE

{LC4563/1} (Permits and legalize the sale of raw milk.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2150](#)

BY Rogers, Tikoian, de la Cruz, F. Lombardi, McKenney, Burke, E Morgan, Paolino, DeLuca, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --

UNLAWFUL CONFINEMENT OF A COVERED ANIMAL {LC4224/1} (Exempts egg laying hens kept for commercial egg production purposes from the provisions of chapter 4-1.1 until January 1, 2034.)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2299](#)

BY McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- OLD GROWTH FOREST PROTECTION ACT {LC4784/1} (Creates a statutory framework designed to protect our forests and biodiversity, also prohibits logging in old growth forests and in the natural area preserves when they are created.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture

04/05/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [2153 SUB A](#)

{LC3645/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, April 10, 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

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