
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**S-2778 & S-2919 WILL NOT BE HEARD AT THIS TIME AND RESCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MAY 30TH
PROPOSED SUB A FOR S-2829 AND S-2766 HAS BEEN ADDED**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, May 28, 2024

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2112](#)

BY de la Cruz, Bissaillon, F. Lombardi, LaMountain, Zurier, Rogers, E Morgan, Paolino, DeLuca, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS {LC3751/1} (Provides that supported decision-making pursuant to chapter 66.13 of title 42 be added to the Limited Guardianship and Guardianship of Adults forms section as one of the less restrictive alternatives to guardianship that have been explored.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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

03/26/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7239](#)

BY Cortvriend, Spears, Carson, Bennett, Knight, Ajello, Caldwell, McGaw, Kislak, Boylan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS {LC3762/1} (Provides that supported decision-making pursuant to chapter 66.13 of title 42 be added to the Limited Guardianship and Guardianship of Adults forms section as one of the less restrictive alternatives to guardianship that have been explored.)

01/19/2024 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/26/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/01/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/08/2024 Scheduled for consideration

03/12/2024 Committee recommends passage

03/15/2024 Placed on House Calendar

03/19/2024 House read and passed

04/03/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2458](#)

BY DiMario, Burke, DiPalma, Lauria, Euer, Valverde, Murray, Miller, Tikoian, Bissailon ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC4314/1} (Includes the general assembly elections within the category of elections subject to the risk-limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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

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

05/24/2024 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

03/14/2024 Committee recommends passage

03/15/2024 Placed on House Calendar

03/21/2024 House read and passed

04/03/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2766](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- PUBLIC RECORDS ADMINISTRATION {LC5024/1} (Updates public records administration act, modifies records control schedule, designates records officer, establishes procedures for retention of records. Provides administrator submit yearly reports, establishes public reporting compliance.)

03/08/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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

04/11/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2778](#)

~~BY Acosta, Quezada, DiMario, Mack, Euer, Kallman~~

~~ENTITLED,~~ AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC4769/1}

~~(Establishes a three (3) day transmittal period after the deadline for local boards to accept mail ballot applications, if delivered via the postal service.)~~

~~03/08/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary~~

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

~~04/11/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study~~

~~05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration~~

Senate Bill No. [2829](#)

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ELECTRIC BICYCLES {LC5598/1} (Defines 3 classes of electric bicycles, authorizes the DEM to determine allowable uses of electric bicycles at properties under the department's jurisdiction, allows Class 1 electric bicycles to legally access state bicycle trails or paths.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

04/19/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/25/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7713 SUB A](#)

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Boylan, Tanzi, Carson, Kislak, Kazarian, Cortvriend, Stewart, Fogarty, Finkelman, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ELECTRIC BICYCLES {LC5576/A/1}

02/28/2024 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

03/29/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/02/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/18/2024 Scheduled for consideration

04/18/2024 Proposed Substitute

04/18/2024 Proposed Substitute

04/23/2024 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

04/26/2024 Placed on House Calendar

05/02/2024 House passed Sub A

05/13/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2834](#)

(Dept. of Corrections)

BY Mack, Bissaillon, Euer, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, McKenney, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

{LC4960/1} (Provides an exemption for certain incarcerated persons from the payment of fees for a first request for vital statistics from the department of health.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/03/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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05/09/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2896](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Britto, Murray, DiMario, Miller, Sosnowski, Gu, Acosta, Mack, Bissaillon, F. Lombardi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- UNCLAIMED INTANGIBLE AND TANGIBLE PROPERTY {LC4943/1} (Provides conditions which persons paid to recover or assist in recovering reported property must comply with.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

04/19/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/23/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7569](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Finkelman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- UNCLAIMED INTANGIBLE AND TANGIBLE PROPERTY {LC4581/1} (Provides conditions which persons paid to recover or assist in recovering reported property must comply with.)

02/09/2024 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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

03/05/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

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

03/08/2024 Meeting postponed

03/22/2024 Scheduled for consideration

03/27/2024 Committee recommends passage

03/29/2024 Placed on House Calendar

04/02/2024 House read and passed

04/03/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2905](#)

(Judiciary)

BY F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC5136/1} (Allows retired state employees who worked as certified or qualified court interpreter to be employed or re-employed for a limited period of time in a given year to provide court interpretation services within the unified judicial system.)

03/22/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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03/22/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
03/26/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2919](#)

~~BY Mack~~

~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC5833/1} (Provides that landlords would pay interest on security deposits in residential landlord-tenant matters.)~~

~~03/27/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
04/26/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
05/02/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration~~

Senate Bill No. [2947](#)

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Britto, Ciccone, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, Raptakis, McKenney, Burke, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS {LC4539/1} (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.)

04/02/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
04/19/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration
04/25/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study
05/24/2024 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
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
03/14/2024 Committee recommends passage
03/15/2024 Placed on House Calendar
03/21/2024 House read and passed
04/03/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary
05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3041](#)

BY F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- DECISIONS, SPECIAL FINDINGS AND ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES {LC5952/1} (Adds the doctrine of assumption of risk to the current comparative negligence statute.)

05/02/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/03/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/07/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3044](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Bissaillon, LaMountain, Burke, Tikoian, Quezada, Euer, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- CONFIDENTIALITY OF HEALTH CARE COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ACT {LC5949/1} (Amends definition of "authorized representative" in the confidentiality of health-care communications/information act provides that an authorized representative may include any heir-at-law when the patient is deceased/the personal representative is absent)

05/03/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/03/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/07/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3056](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT {LC5671/1} (Allows the sharing of certain information between the division of taxation and the secretary of state's office regarding an entity's tax status as compliant or non-compliant.)

05/07/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/07/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/09/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [3058](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- NOMINATION OF PARTY AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES {LC6084/1} (Amends various sections of law relating to elections, nomination papers and the process of obtaining signatures for nomination papers and would provide a notification procedure for the reporting of consistent patterns of forgery on nomination papers.)

05/07/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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05/07/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/09/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7894 SUB A](#)

(Attorney General)

BY Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- INTERLOCAL CONTRACTING AND JOINT ENTERPRISE {LC5089/A/1}

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

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

03/14/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/26/2024 Scheduled for consideration

04/26/2024 Proposed Substitute

04/26/2024 Proposed Substitute

04/30/2024 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

05/03/2024 Placed on House Calendar

05/07/2024 House passed Sub A

05/10/2024 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/24/2024 Scheduled for consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [2829 SUB A](#)

{LC5598/A/1}

Senate Bill No. [2766 SUB A](#)

{LC5024/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, May 28, 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. Livestreaming is available at <https://capitolvri.cablecast.tv/>.

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