SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. 132

BY LaMountain, Patalano, Burke, Appollonio, Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNIFORM ACT ON PREVENTION OF AND REMEDIES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING {LC893/1} (Requires that all monies received from the payment of fines under the Uniform Act on Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking be deposited into the into the violent crimes indemnity account within the general fund.)

01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 207

BY Burke, Appollonio, Britto, Bissaillon, LaMountain, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN {LC876/1}

(Amends the statute punishing child pornography by replacing the term "child pornography" with the term "child sexual abuse material.")

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 278

BY Murray, McKenney, Bissaillon, Pearson, Acosta, Burke, Patalano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL

ACTIVITY {LC1009/1} (Under certain circumstances, provides immunity from arrest and prosecution for prostitution, procurement of sexual conduct for a fee, loitering for prostitution and soliciting from motor vehicles for indecent purposes.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 810

BY Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY {LC837/1} (Decriminalizes certain commercial sexual activity. It would also include human trafficking as a racketeering activity and would allow expungements of certain convictions in § 11-34.1 after one year.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 549

BY Dimitri, Ciccone, Burke, Thompson, Murray, LaMountain, DiMario, Urso ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION NOTICE ACT {LC1712/1} (Requires hotel employees and short-term rental property operators to annually receive human trafficking awareness training. The operator of the premises shall maintain records of the completed training.) 02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 515

BY Patalano, Dimitri, Gallo, Pearson, Thompson, Burke, Appollonio, Britto, Tikoian, Ciccone ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION {LC1955/1} (Makes it a felony for any person required to register as a sex offender to live within three hundred feet (300') of a school as defined in § 11-37.1-2.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. <u>525</u>

(Judiciary)

BY Quezada, LaMountain, Euer, McKenney, Lauria, Burke, Urso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT {LC1665/1} (Requires submission of a domestic violence/sexual assault reporting form when the domestic violence response or investigation involves a verbal argument or dispute.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 548

BY Bell, Ciccone, Mack, Kallman, Burke, E Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RETAIL LICENSES -- ADULT SEX VENUES {LC930/1} (Authorizes municipalities to license facilities being used as adult sex venues. The department of health would regulate the health safety standards.) 02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 526

(Judiciary)

BY Quezada, LaMountain, Euer, Vargas, McKenney, Lauria, Burke, Urso ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT {LC1669/1} (Requires the electronic filing of domestic violence/sexual assault forms by law enforcement agencies, and enhances the information to be included on the reporting forms.) 02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 294

BY Valverde, McKenney, Euer, DiMario, Appollonio, LaMountain, Raptakis, Murray ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMPUTER CRIME

{LC605/1} (Makes it unnecessary to prove that a person's transmission of electronic communications be for the sole purpose of harassment before being found guilty of cyberstalking or cyberharassment.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 358

BY Gu, Zurier, DiPalma, Burke, Bell, Kallman, Bissaillon, Euer, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE

GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC784/1} (Provides a civil cause of action for individuals injured by artificial intelligence.)

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 281

BY Quezada, Bissaillon, Bell, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC666/1} (Allows expungement of multiple felony convictions for non-violent felonies10 years after sentence completed.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 291

BY Kallman, Acosta, Lauria, Mack, Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ARREST {LC174/1}

(Prohibits the civil arrest of any person who is attending court either on behalf of themselves or a family or household member. Any person who violates this act shall be subject to civil suit, and for contempt of court.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 293

BY Quezada, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND

RECOGNIZANCE {LC665/1} (Provides for release of misdemeanor arrestees without financial conditions, except for domestic violence or flight risk or obstruct of justice risk.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 352

BY Dimitri, LaMountain, Thompson, Murray, Ciccone, Bissaillon, Burke, E Morgan, Vargas ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS {LC408/1} (Requires superior court clerk to automatically seal cases/individual counts of a criminal complaint/indictment that were dismissed, upon request of the defendant and serve it upon bureau of criminal identification, police department and counsel of record.)

02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary 03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 737 BY Bissaillon, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC1046/1} (Permits those persons with felony convictions to have up to six misdemeanor offenses expunged from their criminal record.) 03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 290

BY Ciccone, DiPalma, Bissaillon, Felag, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC595/1} (Grants an affirmative defense for certain privileged communications, including communications made by an individual, without malice, regarding an incident of sexual assault, harassment, or discrimination.) 02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/14/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

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