
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 27, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [729](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Tikoian, Gallo, Felag, LaMountain, Britto, DiMario, Dimitri, Appollonio, Burke, Thompson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- THREATS AND
EXTORTION {LC1332/1} (Considers election officials and poll workers "public officials" for
purposes of the prohibition on making threats to public officials.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [288](#)

BY Bell, Lawson, Mack, Tikoian, Gallo, Ruggerio, Ujifusa, Ciccone, Felag, Urso
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- GENERAL STATE OFFICERS
{LC292/1} (Provides that, for the general officers of the state, no person could be elected to the
same general office more than twice.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [308](#)

BY Raptakis, de la Cruz, Sosnowski, Burke, Tikoian, Murray
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE
ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE
-- REFERENDUM ON LINE ITEM VETO {LC483/1} (This proposed amendment to the
Constitution would provide the governor with a line item veto on the budget and other bills for the
appropriation of money.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [538](#)

BY Bissaillon, Zurier, LaMountain, McKenney, Euer, Quezada, Burke, Appollonio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE
RHODE ISLAND CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT ACT {LC1277/1} (Provides a remedy for
any harm caused due to deprivation or violation of rights secured by the Rhode Island Constitution
due to acts of the State of Rhode Island.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [579](#)

BY Burke, Ciccone, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- COMMITTEES AND STAFF {LC2186/1} (Requires nonprofit, as a condition for requesting state funds from the general assembly, to submit & post on their website, a list of 10 of their highest paid director, officer & employee salaries & any forms of compensation provided to those individuals.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [583](#)

BY Bell, Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ACTIONS BY AND AGAINST TOWNS {LC268/1} (Requires a municipality to disclose on their official website the specific issues, details and costs of any legal action of which the town or city is a named defendant.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [514](#)

BY Burke, Ciccone, Tikoian, McKenney, Pearson, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM--ADMINISTRATION {LC2097/1} (Requires the state retirement board to publish online all archived video or audio recordings and all future recordings of meetings of the board.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/21/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [725](#)

BY Raptakis, Rogers, de la Cruz, LaMountain, Felag, McKenney

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- OF THE LEGISLATIVE POWER {LC480/1} (Proposes a state constitutional amendment that no department or other entity created by the state would have power to incur debt in excess of \$ 50,000, without express approval from the legislature and voters.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, March 27, 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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TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

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