
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 2, 2025

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 135 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5133](#)

BY Bennett, Corvese, J. Lombardi, Hull, Read, Noret, Fascia, Casimiro, Azzinaro, O'Brien ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION {LC89/1} (Provides that all contractual provisions in a firefighters collective bargaining agreement continue until a successor agreement has been reached or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.)

01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5134](#)

BY Bennett, Corvese, J. Lombardi, Hull, Read, Noret, Fascia, Casimiro, Azzinaro, O'Brien ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION {LC88/1} (Extends provisions of an existing collective bargaining agreement for municipal police arbitration purposes until a successor agreement is reached or an interest arbitration award is rendered.)

01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5135](#)

BY Bennett, Corvese, J. Lombardi, Noret, Fascia, Casimiro, Azzinaro, O'Brien, Edwards, Slater ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION {LC86/1} (Recognizes that municipal employees have the opportunity to utilize interest arbitration and would establish new factors for the arbitrators to consider. These factors include comparisons of wages/hourly conditions of employment in similarly skilled jobs.)

01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5227](#)

BY Edwards, Donovan, Messier, Serpa, Fellela, McNamara, McEntee, Read, O'Brien, Potter ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COUNCIL ON ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION {LC707/1} (Provide protection for the rights of professional, administrative and secretarial employees of the department of education to collectively bargain over all terms and conditions of employment.)

01/29/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5228](#)

BY Shanley, Edwards, Craven, McNamara, Solomon, Kazarian, Slater, Diaz, Potter, Casey ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- QUALITY SELF-DIRECTED SUPPORTS ACT OF 2025 {LC762/1} (Ensures that more developmentally disabled adults can self-direct the care they need and want, by incorporating collective bargaining rights into the self-directed supports program.)

01/29/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5266](#)

BY Corvese, Kislak, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Noret, O'Brien, Dawson, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- CERTIFIED SCHOOL TEACHERS' ARBITRATION {LC1066/1} (Requires the employers of unionized public school teachers, municipal employees and state employees, to provide the union, at least once every 120 days, a list of all their employees in their union, as well as their personal and demographic information.)

01/31/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5506](#)

BY Craven, O'Brien, Shanley, Dawson, Finkelman, Corvese, Potter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- EMPLOYEES' FREE SPEECH IN WORKPLACE {LC1622/1} (Protects employees' rights in the workplace concerning political and religious matters, by creating a civil action that may provide damages and attorneys' fees.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5942](#)

BY McNamara, Serpa, Ackerman, Shanley, Read, Solomon, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- SANITATION IN FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS {LC1905/1} (Establishes a restricted receipt account at the DLT for hospitality industry workforce training grants, funded by an annual \$50 dollar fee to be charged by RIDOH to food service establishments.)

02/28/2025 Introduced, referred to House Labor

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5944](#)

BY Casey, Phillips, J. Brien, Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS {LC2046/1} (Defines employees as individuals employed by a municipality or state covered by a collective bargaining agreement or employment contract, and would redefine an "employer" to those who employ fifteen (15) or more employees.)

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