
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 22, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [524](#)

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RESIDENCE OF INDIVIDUALS IN GOVERNMENT CUSTODY ACT {LC1627/1} (Requires state use actual residences of persons in government custody for redistricting purposes. Information would be collected by the department of corrections and forwarded to the division of statewide planning, to be utilized for redistricting.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [537](#)

BY Bissaillon, Mack, Acosta, Quezada, Lawson, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --THE PROTECTED SPACES ACT {LC1377/1} (Limits the ability for any federal immigration authority to investigate, detain, apprehend or arrest any individuals for potential violations of federal immigration laws without a judicial warrant within certain protected locations.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [620](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Felag, LaMountain, Raptakis, Lauria, Thompson, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF SALES {LC1322/1} (Prohibits the holding of multiple drivers licenses or identification cards and would change the term "re-constructed salvage" to "rebuilt salvage" for purposes of the Rhode Island salvage law.)

03/06/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [582](#)

BY E Morgan, Rogers, de la Cruz, Paolino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS--COST {LC1972/1} (Provides that fees for costs charged for search, retrieval or copying of public records shall be waived for members of the general assembly who certify that they are acting in their official capacity.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [742](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- PUBLIC RECORDS ADMINISTRATION {LC1329/1} (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.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [806](#)

BY Bissaillon, DiPalma, LaMountain, Patalano, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- QUASI-PUBLIC CORPORATIONS ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT {LC2374/1} (Provides that compensation comparability studies of senior management, documents discussed at an open meeting, annual contracting reports, list of current salaries and positions, and all policies and procedures of public corporations be made public.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [807](#)

BY Bissaillon, Urso, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS {LC2369/1} (Requires public bodies to offer translation services for all open meetings of said bodies.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [909](#)

BY DiPalma, Ciccone, LaMountain, Lawson, Bissaillon, Rogers, Paolino, E Morgan, McKenney, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS {LC2603/1} (Makes changes to the access to public records act, including clarifying various provisions, increasing the sanctions for knowing and willful violations of the law, and making certain traffic accident data and preferred license plate information public.)

03/27/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [951](#)

(Attorney General)

BY LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- STATE CRIME LABORATORY COMMISSION {LC2536/1} (Establishes the Rhode Island state crime laboratory within the department of attorney general.)

04/04/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [956](#)

(Attorney General)

BY LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL {LC2529/1} (Establishes a bureau of public protection within the department of attorney general.)

04/04/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1012](#)

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- EMINENT DOMAIN {LC2569/1} (Requires all entities delegated eminent domain powers under this section to adopt a plan and approval prior to exercising such power for a public purpose.)

05/02/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [302](#)

BY LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- RHODE ISLAND NONCOMPETITION AGREEMENT ACT {LC411/1} (Prohibits noncompete agreements except for noncompete agreements between a seller and buyer of a business; creates civil action for an employer for the violation of an agreement by employee regarding disclosure or wrongful utilization of trade secrets.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1014](#)

BY Quezada, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- JUDGMENTS, ORDERS, AND DECREES {LC2679/1} (Amends calculations of interest in civil actions a rate determined by average accepted auction price for last auction of 52 week U.S. treasury bills.)

05/02/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1015](#)

BY Quezada, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR CLAIMS SETTLEMENT PRACTICES ACT {LC2681/1} (Clarifies the definitions of unfair claims practices pertaining to insurers with regard to appraisals and total losses. It also corrects a citation regarding salvage and reconstructed titles.)

05/02/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1072](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- NOMINATION OF PARTY AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES {LC2422/1} (Makes several amendments to provide for an online nomination paper portal for election nomination papers.)

05/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/19/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [519](#)

BY Mack, Acosta, Ujifusa, Gu, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING TO SCHOOLS {LC804/1} (Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race by expanding the definition of race to include traits historically associated with race, including, but not limited to, hair texture and protected hairstyles.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 22, 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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