
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, May 27, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5514](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Furtado, Dawson, Kazarian, Messier, Fascia, Read, Boylan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC1109/1} (Exempts emergency mail ballots from the requirement to have certain wording regarding "mail voters" on the ballot.)

02/13/2025 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

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

03/18/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/28/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/03/2025 Committee recommends passage

04/18/2025 Placed on House Calendar

04/24/2025 House read and passed

05/02/2025 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5637](#)

(Attorney General)

BY Ackerman, Kennedy, Fellela, Fogarty, Serpa, Speakman, Kazarian, Edwards, Corvese, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CREDIT CARD CRIME ACT {LC2190/1} (Adds "debit cards" to the section of law relating to fraudulent use of credit cards.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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

03/25/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/04/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/08/2025 Committee recommends passage

05/09/2025 Placed on House Calendar

05/15/2025 House read and passed

05/23/2025 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5645](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Dawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- LEVY AND SALE ON EXECUTION {LC1698/1} (Exempts qualified tuition savings programs of any state authorized under 26 U.S.C. § 529 from judicial attachment.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/07/2025 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/24/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/09/2025 Scheduled for consideration

05/13/2025 Committee recommends passage

05/16/2025 Placed on House Calendar

05/22/2025 House read and passed

05/23/2025 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5730 SUB A](#)

BY Speakman, Boylan, Cortvriend, Edwards, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS {LC1552/A/1}

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/13/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/25/2025 Scheduled for consideration

04/25/2025 Proposed Substitute

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04/29/2025 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

05/09/2025 Placed on House Calendar

05/13/2025 House passed Sub A

05/23/2025 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [6159](#)

BY Craven, Noret, Knight, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- COURT SECRETARIES, COURT REPORTERS, AND ELECTRONIC COURT REPORTERS {LC2438/1} (Increases the per page transcription fees for court reporters in court proceedings.)

04/02/2025 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/18/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/24/2025 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/09/2025 Scheduled for consideration

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05/13/2025 Committee recommends passage
05/16/2025 Placed on House Calendar
05/22/2025 House read and passed
05/23/2025 Referred to Senate Judiciary
05/23/2025 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [527](#)

BY LaMountain, Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- BY POSSESSION AND PRESCRIPTION {LC412/1} (Denies the right of footway, except within one hundred (100) yards of the Pawtuxet River in the cities of Warwick and Cranston and excepts in connection with a right to pass with carriages, to be acquired by prescription or adverse use.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [739](#)

BY DiMario, Valverde, Lawson, Murray, Euer, Gallo, Kallman, Dimitri, Acosta, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC2015/1} (Makes all causes of action based on sexual abuse or exploitation of a child not subject to any statute of limitations whether the claim has lapsed or was previously time-barred.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [802](#)

BY DiMario, Murray, Valverde, Quezada, Ujifusa, Urso, Lauria, Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM {LC2247/1} (Requires the department of human services to provide childcare assistance to families, including those served through DCYF, who meet the requirements of a protective services category as defined in CFR 98.20 (a)(3)(ii).)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [805](#)

BY Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- THE EQUITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND BUDGET EQUITY IMPACT ACT {LC825/1} (Requires the Rhode Island general assembly to address its legislation with attention to equity and the impact its legislation will have on Rhode Island's diverse and various communities.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary
05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [930](#)

BY Bissaillon, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATED TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCING RECONSIDERATION ACT {LC2375/1} (Allows eligible individuals serving sentences of imprisonment to seek sentence reductions from the superior court, individuals serving life without parole or minimum mandatory sentences pursuant to law, would not be eligible for such relief.)

03/28/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1071](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Burke, Appollonio, Patalano, Thompson, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- NONTRANSPARENT WINDSHIELD AND WINDOWS {LC1760/1} (Provides penalties for second and subsequent violations of installing and possessing a vehicle with sun screening materials in violation of this section.)

05/13/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1073](#)

BY Dimitri, Patalano, Britto, Tikoian, Ciccone, Appollonio, Thompson, Burke, Raptakis, de la Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ARREST {LC2902/1} (Makes it unlawful for a person in the custody of the department of corrections to use any force or weapon to resist a lawful request or directive.)

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05/23/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

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