
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 12, 2026

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: House Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7200](#)

BY McEntee, Shekarchi, Caldwell, Casimiro, Spears, Felix, Cortvriend, Serpa, Fellela, Knight ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC3370/1} (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.)

01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7206](#)

BY Casimiro, Craven, McEntee, Giraldo, Donovan, Spears, Read, Shallcross Smith, Potter ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC3886/1} (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.)

01/21/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7547](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY Furtado, Stewart, McGaw, Dawson, Cotter, Potter, Donovan, Alzate, Messier, Kislak ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION {LC4643/1} (Permits victims of stalking to recover for expenses related to relocation or home modification under the crime victim compensation program.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7648](#)

(Judiciary)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Dawson, O'Brien, Spears, Bennett ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT {LC5099/1} (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.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7649](#)

BY Dawson, McEntee, Boylan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNIFORM ACT ON PREVENTION OF AND REMEDIES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING {LC5007/1} (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.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7653](#)

(Judiciary)

BY Felix, Alzate, Kazarian, Tanzi, Sanchez, Furtado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT {LC5098/1} (Allows for the electronic filing of domestic violence/sexual assault reporting forms by law enforcement agencies, enhances the information to be included on the reporting forms, and clarifies that the reporting forms should be submitted monthly.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7656](#)

(General Treasurer)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Read, Spears, McNamara, Bennett, O'Brien, Dawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION REVOCATION AND REDUCTION ACT {LC4646/1} (Authorizes the state retirement board to revoke or reduce an individual's pension benefit if that individual is convicted or pleads guilty or no contest to a felony sex crime related to their public office or public employment.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8063](#)

BY Roberts, Hull, McNamara, Edwards, Bennett, Casey, Solomon, Serpa, Azzinaro, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT {LC5198/1} (Requires that court sentencing a person for first degree sexual assault of first degree child molestation, have the approval of the victim before imposing any negotiated sentence upon the offender.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8064](#)

(Attorney General)

BY Read, Noret, Corvese, Fascia, Serpa, Casey, Spears, Solomon, Hopkins, Santucci

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION {LC5629/1} (Provides that violations of § 11-37.1-10 relating to failing to register as a sex offender are subject to the duration and frequency of registrations pursuant to § 11-37.1-4.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8065](#)

~~BY Fascia, Noret, Read, Solomon, J. Brien, Chippendale, Hopkins, Nardone, Roberts, Place~~
~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER~~
~~REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION {LC5173/1} (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.)~~

~~02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary~~

~~03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

House Bill No. [8078](#)

(Attorney General)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Bennett, Spears, O'Brien, Shanley
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- COUNTY GRAND
JURIES {LC5631/1} (Permits grand juries to issue reports and provides for a process for review
and acceptance by the superior court for dissemination to the public.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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House Bill No. [8080](#)

(Attorney General)

BY Fogarty, Alzate, Diaz, Casimiro, Carson, Donovan, Kislak, Shallcross Smith, Stewart,
Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
PREVENTION ACT {LC5632/1} (Provides that a defendant's third and subsequent violation of
domestic violence offenses, including both prior felony and misdemeanor convictions, would be
punishable as a felony.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8086](#)

(Attorney General)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Bennett, McNamara, Dawson, Spears, O'Brien, Read, Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- INDICTMENTS,
INFORMATIONS AND COMPLAINTS {LC5630/1} (Provides that the statute of limitations for
second-degree sexual assault shall be 10 years from the date of the offense, or, in the case of a
victim who is under the age of 18, ten years from the victim's eighteenth birthday, whichever is
later.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8093](#)

(Attorney General)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Bennett, Dawson, Spears, O'Brien, Potter, Casey, Read
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- ABUSED AND NEGLECTED
CHILDREN {LC5628/1} (Expands the definition of "educational program" for purposes of the
abused and neglected children general law to include charter schools, parochial schools, after school
programs, camps and various other programs involving children.)

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