
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

S-2262 HAS BEEN ADDED

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 7, 2024

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2262](#)

BY Euer, Mack, Pearson, DiMario, Miller, Sosnowski, DiPalma, McKenney, Murray, F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTHCARE PROVIDER SHIELD ACT {LC4819/1} (Creates a protective legal shield for healthcare providers, precluding any civil/criminal action by other states/persons against healthcare providers involving persons seeking access to transgender and reproductive healthcare services provided in RI.)

02/08/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/02/2024 Meeting postponed

03/02/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2094](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Ciccone, Felag, Britto, Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- LIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND REFLECTORS {LC4208/1} (Authorizes designated state and local election officials with supervisory responsibility over polling locations the use of amber flashing safety lights on their vehicles.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2097](#)

BY Ciccone, Burke, Felag, Britto, F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND FOR PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE {LC4060/1} (Would amend certain signature requirements and deadlines regarding primaries for election of delegates to national conventions for presidential preference.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2101](#)

BY Acosta, Euer, Zurier, Mack, Cano, Gu, Quezada, Bell, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC3657/1}

(Establishes a three (3) day transmittal period after the deadline for local boards to accept mail ballot applications, if delivered via the postal service.)

01/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2204](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Felag, LaMountain, Tikoian, Britto, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS

-- POLLING PLACE CAP {LC4207/1} (Increases the maximum number of voters that a polling place can accommodate from three thousand (3,000) to three thousand five hundred (3,500).)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2207](#)

BY F. Lombardi, McKenney, Britto, Ciccone, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

{LC4201/1} (Permits the substitution of advertising the voter registration deadline in a newspaper by posting notice of designations on the municipality's website, continuously, for at least 10 days leading up to the last day prescribed by law.)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2208](#)

BY F. Lombardi, LaMountain, Tikoian, Britto, Ciccone, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS

{LC4200/1} (Clarifies that the calculation for the total number of eligible voters to be served by the same polling place shall be established using active voters.)

01/24/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2418](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY Raptakis, Tikoian, Burke, McKenney, F. Lombardi, Sosnowski, DiPalma, Britto, Ciccone, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

{LC3345/1} (Allows non-affiliated party voters to vote in party primaries, without becoming an affiliated party voter.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2421](#)

BY E Morgan, DeLuca, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC3718/1} (Requires that only the mail ballot voter/spouse/court appointed guardian/cohabitant/or adult person related to the voter by blood or marriage, be allowed to physically mail the voted mail ballot.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2425](#)

BY Lawson, Pearson, DiMario, Euer, Miller, Mack, Lauria, Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND FOR PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE {LC4549/1} (Spells out rules and regulations for the presidential preference primary elections, and would also provide rules for ranked choice voting tabulation, and results reporting by the secretary of state.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [2443](#)

BY Zurier, F. Lombardi, Cano, Acosta

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- REMOVING PROVISIONS PROVIDING FOR ELECTION BY PLURALITY {LC3435/1} (This Joint Resolution would propose to the voters of the state a constitutional amendment which would remove from the Constitution the provision of Article IV, Section 2, that provide for election by plurality.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2447](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY McKenney, Lawson, Acosta, Cano, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- STATEWIDE REFERENDA ELECTIONS {LC4531/1} (Amends certain election statutes to require ballot questions be written in plain language reasonably calculated to be understood by persons with an eighth-grade reading level.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2456](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY DiPalma, Felag, Ujifusa, Tikoian, Burke, Rogers, Zurier, Bissaillon, Gu, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- DECEPTIVE AND FRAUDULENT SYNTHETIC MEDIA IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS {LC3781/1} (Prohibits synthetic media within ninety (90) days of an election.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2458](#)

BY DiMario, Burke, DiPalma, Lauria, Euer, Valverde, Murray, Miller, Tikoian, Bissaillon ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC4314/1} (Includes the general assembly elections within the category of elections subject to the risk-limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2460](#)

BY DiPalma, Britto, Zurier, F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES {LC4310/1} (Requires a write-in candidate to file a declaration of intent with the same office at which the declaration of candidacy would be filed, and require similar residency requirements for write-in candidates that exists for declared candidates.)

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, March 7, 2024, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

The meeting will be televised by Capitol Television on: Cox Communications, channels 15 and 61 for high definition; i3Broadband (Formerly Full Channel) on 15; and Verizon, on channel 34.

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