
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

PROPOSED SUB A/2 HAS BEEN ADDED FOR H-7029

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Monday, March 30, 2026
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Room 101 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7029](#)

BY Boylan, McGaw, Potter, Donovan, Fogarty, Speakman, Azzinaro, Kislak, Bennett, Hopkins ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- NURSES

{LC3130/1} (Permits a certified foot care nurse or a certified foot care specialist, to provide certain at-home foot care, including routine foot and nail care including nail clipping. DOH determines fair and reasonable license and renewal fees nurses providing svcs.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

02/06/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/10/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/20/2026 Scheduled for consideration

03/20/2026 Proposed Substitute

03/24/2026 Meeting postponed

03/20/2026 Proposed Substitute

03/24/2026 Meeting postponed

03/26/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7424](#)

BY Solomon, Casimiro, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

COLLABORATIVE PHARMACY PRACTICE {LC3360/1} (Expands the existing law regarding collaborative practice agreements between pharmacists and physicians to allow other healthcare providers to enter into such agreements and removes the definition of “collaborative practice committee.”)

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

02/19/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/03/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/26/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7538](#)

BY Tanzi, McGaw, Felix, Hull, J. Lombardi, Stewart, Giraldo, Edwards, Bennett, Diaz ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BY HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS NOTIFICATION ACT {LC4720/1}

(Requires healthcare providers and healthcare facilities to inform patients of the use of artificial intelligence to memorialize patient visits.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

02/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/03/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/26/2026 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [7922](#)

(Dept. of Health)

BY Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY {LC5260/1} (Repeals the older of the two existing chapters related to speech-language pathologists and audiologists and makes several amendments to reconcile the two statutes into one.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/13/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/19/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/26/2026 Scheduled for consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

House Bill No. [7029 SUB A](#)

{LC3130/A/2}

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [7345](#)

BY Donovan, McGaw, Fogarty, Messier, Boylan, Cruz, Potter, Giraldo, Carson, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- HEALTHY KIDS ACT

{LC4490/1} (Establishes the Healthy Kids Act whereby restaurants would be required to offer at least two (2) healthy versions of children's meals, or twenty-five percent (25%) of the children's meals on its menu, whichever is greater.)

01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/30/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/31/2026 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7540](#)

BY Tanzi, McGaw, Felix, Hull, J. Lombardi, Stewart, Giraldo, Edwards, Bennett, Donovan ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH {LC4722/1} (Require that routine childhood and adult immunization vaccine recommendations that are developed from evidence based, medically sound scientific research by the department of health.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7627](#)

BY Tanzi, Ajello, Speakman, Boylan, Donovan, Carson, Cotter, Shanley, McGaw, Bennett ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS -- EARLY INTERVENTION EXTENSION--BRIDGE TO PRESCHOOL {LC5095/1} (Permits extended early intervention services for children with developmental disabilities whose third birthday is between May 1 and August 31.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7742](#)

BY Cortvriend, McGaw, McEntee, Tanzi, Boylan, Kazarian, Spears ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- SANITATION IN FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS {LC4283/1} (Adds pickles and relish to those foods not requiring refrigeration which are permitted to be manufactured and sold as a farm home food product.)

02/12/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7799](#)

BY Shallcross Smith, Boylan, Corvese, Kislak, Fellela, DeSimone, Fogarty, Nardone, Furtado, J. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LICENSING AND MONITORING OF CHILD DAYCARE PROVIDERS {LC4985/1} (Amends the law so that child daycare providers would be required to renew their licenses every two (2) years, instead of the current yearly renewal requirement.)

02/12/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7924](#)

BY Place, Fascia, Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- MILK SANITATION CODE -- SANITATION IN FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS {LC5744/1} (Permits and legalize the sale of raw milk.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7926](#)

(Dept. of Health)

BY Speakman, Boylan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ASBESTOS ABATEMENT {LC5259/1} (Removes obsolete language and clarifies asbestos abatement and radon control requirements.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [7952](#)

BY Diaz, Shallcross Smith, Casimiro, Edwards, Donovan, Cruz

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON CHILD CARE IN RHODE ISLAND {LC5306/1} (Amends the membership of the permanent legislative commission on child care with twenty-seven (27) members to ensure that the state has high quality and affordable childcare and early learning services network.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7994](#)

BY Casimiro, Shallcross Smith, Alzate, Tanzi, Stewart, Dawson, Fogarty, Caldwell, Donovan, Potter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES -- THE POWERS AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES {LC4977/1} (Expands the DCYF powers by overseeing and administer comprehensive behavioral health services for children with serious emotional disturbances and children with developmental or functional disabilities.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/04/2026 Committee transferred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8136](#)

BY Shallcross Smith, Casey, Cruz, Alzate, Giraldo, Fellela

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- CERTIFICATION OF CHILDCARE AND YOUTH-SERVING WORKERS AND OPERATORS {LC5121/1} (Eliminates fingerprinting fees for licensed childcare hires, require background checks for youth activity instructors, and allow active TS/SCI clearance to satisfy criminal background check requirements.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8245](#)

BY Donovan, Boylan, McGaw, Speakman, Spears, Cotter, Carson, Casimiro, Alzate, Stewart ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES {LC5914/1} (Requires the state, and private insurers that cover prescription hormone therapy, to dispense twelve (12) months' worth of the prescription as a single prescription.)

03/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8318](#)

BY Knight, Cortvriend, Caldwell, Alzate, Stewart, Kazarian, Casimiro, Dawson, Fogarty, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT {LC6071/1} (Prescriptions for testosterone not allowed to be transmitted or reported within the prescription drug monitoring database and removes from the records all existing information concerning prior testosterone prescriptions.)

03/18/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [8346](#)

BY Cortvriend, Tanzi, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH {LC6181/1} (Requires the department of health to implement a tobacco control program that incorporates evidence-based best practices for tobacco prevention and cessation to prevent tobacco-related diseases and diminish tobacco use in the state.)

03/25/2026 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

03/26/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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