
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & EMERGING TECH

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, April 7, 2026

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2196](#)

BY DiPalma, Gu, Burke, Urso, Paolino, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DIGITAL ASSET KEYS--PROHIBITION OF PRODUCTION OF PRIVATE KEYS {LC4197/1} (Prohibits the compelled production of a private key as it relates to a digital asset, digital identity or other interest or right.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technol

04/03/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [2198](#)

BY DiPalma, Gu, Burke, Urso, Paolino, Zurier

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY BLOCKCHAIN AND CRYPTOCURRENCY {LC4193/1} (Creates a 5 member commission to recommend legislative proposals for blockchain and cryptocurrency, and submit an interim progress report by January 5, 2027, and a final report by January 5, 2028, and would expire on February 5, 2028.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technol

04/03/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2968](#)

BY DiPalma, Gu, Zurier, Urso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- RHODE ISLAND SOCIAL MEDIA REGULATION ACT {LC4225/1} (Creates the Rhode Island Social Media Regulation act, which would not permit a Rhode Island resident who is a minor to be an account holder on a social media's platform unless the minor has the express consent of a parent or guardian.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/20/2026 Committee transferred to Senate Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technol

04/03/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 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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