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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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## PROPOSED SUB A HAS BEEN ADDED FOR H-7079

### NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [7079](#)**

**BY Craven, Biah, Cortvriend, Shanley, O'Brien**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC3887/1} (Permits those individuals convicted of multiple felonies and misdemeanors to have their records expunged and provide criteria for the court to consider in determining whether the person is of good moral character.)

01/14/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/02/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [7359](#)**

**BY Baginski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- PUBLIC AUCTIONS OF REAL ESTATE {LC4631/1} (Requires public auctions by any city or town of real estate or an interest therein to only be done in person and not by electronic or remote procedures unless authorized by court order.)

01/28/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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

02/05/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [7551](#)**

**BY Kennedy, Solomon, Kazarian, Azzinaro, Edwards, Corvese, Ackerman, McEntee, Serpa, Cotter**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- FRAUD AND FALSE DEALING {LC4273/1} (Establishes the criminal offense of real estate title fraud. Allows municipalities to refuse to record "suspicious documents" from persons who are not trusted submitters. Also creates penalties for real estate title fraud.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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

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02/11/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [8247](#)**

**BY Casimiro, Stewart, Cruz, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Bennett, Read, Potter, Giraldo, Diaz ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- SUPERIOR COURT {LC5924/1} (Changes the term of drug court to recovery court.)**

03/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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

04/09/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE**

**House Bill No. [7079 SUB A](#)**

{LC3887/A/1}

**SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION**

**House Bill No. [7437](#)**

(City of Providence)

**BY Slater**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- AUTOMATED TRAFFIC VIOLATION MONETARY SYSTEMS {LC4258/1} (Extends the sunseting of the "Don't Block the Box" automated traffic detection systems from January 15, 2027, to January 15, 2030.)**

01/30/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7489](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Noret, Read, Serpa, Hull, Dawson, Craven, Santucci, Corvese, Paplauskas, Shanley**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC3893/1} (Requires persons convicted of driving under influence or refusal to submit to chemical test, have an ignition interlock system installed in vehicle as part of sentence and to pay an assessment to pay for the interlock systems.)**

02/04/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7558](#)**

**BY Potter, Ajello, Dawson, Batista, Felix, Stewart, J. Lombardi**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES -- VIOLATIONS {LC4601/1} (Repeals the section of law relating to suspension of operator licenses for failure to pay fines.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7638](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Read, Noret, Hopkins, J. Brien, Corvese**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- RIGHT-OF-WAY {LC5102/1} (Amends the general law relative to right-of-way of pedestrians to reference the schedule of violations for the adjudication of traffic offenses contained in § 31.41.1-4.)

02/11/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8076](#)**

**BY Dawson**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE -- MANDATORY ARBITRATION PROVISION {LC5143/1} (Increases the minimum claim amount necessary to require a matter involving motor vehicle liability be submitted to mandatory arbitration.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8082](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Serpa**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC5621/1} (Amends existing expungement laws to be consistent with the new 10-year lookback period required for DUI charges.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8088](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Noret, Hull, Read, Fascia, Corvese**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS {LC5620/1} (Authorizes judges to issue electronic warrants for DUI offenses under certain conditions.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8094](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Dawson**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES {LC5622/1} (Restores law enforcement discretion, allowing officers to issue a verbal warning when appropriate or pursue misdemeanor or felony charges in more egregious cases where a child is left unattended in a motor vehicle.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8095](#)**

**BY Potter**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC5775/1} (Clarifies that a magistrate or sentencing judge sitting in a court with jurisdiction over alcohol-related offenses shall, upon request, immediately grant a conditional hardship license after imposing a ninety (90) day hardship loss of license.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8096](#)**

**BY Noret, Hull, Read, Fascia**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OFFENSES AGAINST REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE OF TITLE LAWS {LC5166/1} (Increases the fines for certain traffic offenses to one hundred dollars (\$100) and adds fines of one hundred dollars (\$100) for offenses required by law but omitted from the schedule.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8097](#)**

**BY Noret, Hull, Read, Fascia**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES -- VIOLATIONS {LC5450/1} (Adds criminal penalties for operation of a motor vehicle after a suspension for lack of physical or mental fitness, or as a result of frequency of offenses pursuant to § 31-11-7 (a)(1)(i) or as result of a court ordered suspension.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8098](#)**

**BY Casimiro, Kislak, Donovan, Spears, Read, Potter, Alzate, Slater, Knight, Stewart**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SUPER SPEEDER ACCOUNTABILITY ACT {LC5919/1} (Establishes the Super Speeder Accountability Act to be used as a sentencing option or enhancement for drivers charged with certain driving violations.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8100](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Serpa**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ACCIDENTS AND ACCIDENT REPORTS {LC5619/1} (Provides for a single, increased range of penalties for all driving offenses which result in serious bodily injury or death.)

02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8384](#)**

(Governor)

**BY Corvese, Noret, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Casey, J. Brien, O'Brien, Craven, Solomon, Phillips**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES -- CASEY'S LAW {LC6022/1} (Creates an enhanced penalty defined as "road rage" to be applied in addition to penalties for convictions of certain motor vehicle offenses.)

04/01/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8452](#)**

**BY Serpa**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT {LC6321/1} (Prohibits defendants who are serving probation for driving under the influence death resulting from earning good time off their probationary period.)

04/15/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [8464](#)**

**BY Marszalkowski**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS {LC6328/1} (Requires any contractor performing construction or maintenance for RIDOT, RITBA or any other construction on any state roads have in place an attenuator truck/crash truck with an operational camera.)

04/17/2026 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/24/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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