
SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

PROPOSED SUB A FOR S-2212 HAS BEEN ADDED

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 29, 2026

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2208](#)

BY Bell, Mack, Ciccone, Quezada, Bissailon, Kallman, Famiglietti, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COOPERATIVE SERVICE AMONG SCHOOL DISTRICTS {LC4445/1} (Amends the composition of the urban collaborative in Providence and provides that it is governed by a board of trustees.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

04/08/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [2212](#)

BY Acosta, Mack, Bissailon, Valverde, Zurier, DiPalma, Gallo, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS {LC3820/1} (Extends teacher certifications without fee or penalty for three (3) or five (5) years for teachers who hold certifications as of July 1, 2026.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/10/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/15/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/24/2026 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2207](#)

BY Acosta, DiMario, Gallo, Murray, Mack, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND

PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION ACT {LC4459/1} (Allows municipalities participating in the state prekindergarten program to accept students from outside the municipality under certain conditions and establishes a lottery for enrollment in the program.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

Senate Bill No. [2433](#)

BY Tikoian, Gallo, DiPalma, Ciccone, Felag, Burke, Murray, McKenney, Paolino, LaMountain ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES -- QUALITY OF EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION AND SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE THROUGH VOLUNTARY QUALITY RATING SYSTEM {LC4914/1} (Establishes certain presumptions pertaining to early childhood education programs operating in RIDE-certified school buildings.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

Senate Resolution No. [2436](#)

BY DiMario

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON CHILD CARE IN RHODE ISLAND

{LC4683/1} (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.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

Senate Bill No. [2785](#)

BY Valverde, Mack, DiMario, DiPalma, Urso, Murray, Ujifusa, Quezada, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS {LC5037/1}

(Updates the description of the early intervention program and the agency responsible for the program under Part C of the federal Individuals with disabilities education act.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

Senate Bill No. [3147](#)

BY Gallo, Ciccone, Tikoian, DiPalma, Bissaillon, DiMario, Valverde, McKenney, Mack, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND

PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION ACT {LC5718/1} (Establishes guidelines, rules and regulations for the implementation and expansion of prekindergarten education programs for children ages 3-4 to increase children's school readiness statewide.)

03/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

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

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [2212 SUB A](#)

{LC3820/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, April 29, 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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