SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, May 6, 2026
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. 2524
BY Thompson, LaMountain, Bissaillon, Urso, Patalano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS -- STUDENT AND TEACHER CLASSROOM SAFETY {LC4852/1} (Establishes provisions for student and teacher classroom safety and provides the authority to remove students from classrooms. This act provides for student and educator protections from said removals.)
02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education
05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 2651
BY Zurier, McKenney, DiMario
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- STUDENT CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM {LC5834/1} (Directs the department of elementary and secondary education to provide a two-year pilot program that coordinates a national cultural exchange program for students of this state.)
02/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education
05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 3078
BY Britto, McKenney, Bissaillon
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND LITERACY AND DROPOUT PREVENTION ACT {LC5204/1} (Redefines dyslexia to mean a specific learning disability characterized by difficulties in word reading and/or spelling that involve accuracy, speed, or both and vary depending on the orthography.)
03/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education
05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 3077
BY Gallo
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT {LC5651/1} (Specifies that pre-k programs for three (3) – and four (4) – years olds be added to programs to increase access to voluntary, free, high-quality pre-kindergarten programs.)
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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL
*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 6, 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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