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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, May 7, 2026

**TIME:** Rise of the Senate

**PLACE:** Room 313 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR ADVICE AND CONSENT

Appointment of Erin Forry VICE Nancy Haley to the Crime Laboratory Commission for a term expiring January 31, 2028.

Reappointment of Virginia Hesse to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2029.

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

### Senate Bill No. [2054](#)

**BY Lauria, Lawson, Euer, LaMountain, Zurier, Pearson, McKenney, DiMario, Murray, Gallo ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- EVIDENCE {LC3658/1} (Provides that statements by a health care provider regarding the unanticipated outcome of a patient's medical care and treatment shall be inadmissible as evidence of an admission of liability or as evidence of an admission.)

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [2978](#)

(Dept. of BHDDH)

**BY Lauria, DiMario, Felag, Urso, Pearson, Vargas, LaMountain, DiPalma, Murray ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- MENTAL HEALTH LAW {LC4967/1} (Provides that advanced practice registered nurses have the same immunity from liability as physicians and surgeons.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [2992](#)

**BY LaMountain, Murray, Burke, Bissaillon, Urso, Vargas**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND GENDER-AFFIRMING HEALTHCARE DATA PRIVACY ACT {LC5727/1} (Creates the reproductive health and gender-affirming healthcare data privacy act.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2049](#)**

**BY Kallman, Lauria, Bell, Ujifusa, Acosta, Urso, Pearson, Raptakis, Valverde, Thompson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT {LC3693/1} (Establishes a program within the adult correctional institution to permit medication assisted treatment approved by the FDA to be provided for the treatment of opioid use disorder to any incarcerated individual.)**

01/09/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [3107](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Mack, LaMountain, Dimitri, Burke, Felag, McKenney, Bissaillon ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES {LC5638/1} (Amends unfair discrimination statutes to encompass more protected categories and protect against additional forms of discrimination.)**

03/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2606](#)**

**BY Bissaillon**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES -- THE POWERS AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES {LC5263/1} (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.)**

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2339](#)**

(Governor/Attorney General)

**BY Bissaillon, Famiglietti, Lawson, Ciccone, Tikoian**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE HOSPITAL CONVERSIONS ACT {LC4678/1} (Hospital Conversions act amended to authorize AG and DOH to permit expedited review application for hospital insolvency proceedings. Sunsets in one year.)**

01/29/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2492](#)**

**BY Ujifusa, Bell, Kallman, Lauria, Valverde, Euer, Urso, Mack, Acosta, Quezada**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND HEALTHCARE TRANSACTION OVERSIGHT ACT {LC4169/1} (Requires a healthcare entity to submit written notice to the attorney general and the department of health of any material change transaction at least 180 days prior to that transaction.)**

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2950](#)**

**BY Urso, Famiglietti, Vargas, Dimitri, Ujifusa, de la Cruz, LaMountain, Acosta**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE HOSPITAL**  
**CONVERSIONS ACT -- HEALTHCARE INVESTMENT BOND REQUIREMENT {LC5377/1}**

(Mandates private equity companies or real estate investment trusts (REIT) seeking to invest in healthcare providers or provider-sponsored organizations in this state, submit a notice of material change with the AG and deposit a bond with the DOH.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [3244](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Murray**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE HOSPITAL**  
**CONVERSIONS ACT {LC6238/1}** (Authorizes the Superior Court to place a hospital into receivership upon action by the attorney general or department of health when a hospital is mismanaged, financially distressed, acting illegally, or endangering patient health and safety.)

05/01/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [2594](#)**

**BY Mack, Kallman, Valverde**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- FUNERAL**  
**DIRECTOR/EMBALMER AND FUNERAL SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS {LC3386/1}**  
(Provides for the operation of and duties imposed on a disposition facility relating to the natural organic reduction for the contained, accelerated conversion of human remains to soil.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/01/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL**

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 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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