
SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2026

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2783](#)

BY Pearson, Gallo, Murray, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- MAYORAL ACADEMIES {LC4545/1}

(Provides that only a mayor or town administrator could be a voting member of the board of directors or trustees for a mayoral academy.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2784](#)

BY Murray, Patalano, Thompson, Ciccone, Urso, Pearson, Gallo, DiMario, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER

PUBLIC SCHOOLS {LC5576/1} (Provides that no new charter school application shall be granted, if the proposed school is a network charter school or the expansion of an existing charter school creates a network charter school.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2787](#)

BY Murray, Thompson, Patalano, Ciccone, Urso, Bissaillon, Pearson, McKenney, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER

PUBLIC SCHOOLS {LC5597/1} (Bars the council from granting approval to create or expand a charter school beginning operations in 26-27 school year and bars the state from approving or appropriating funds to a new charter school not approved before July 1, 2025.)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

05/08/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 13, 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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