
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, February 26, 2026

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2149](#)

BY McKenney, LaMountain, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL

POWERS--WARWICK MUNICIPAL COURT {LC3185/1} (Expands the jurisdiction of the city of Warwick municipal court.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2130](#)

BY McKenney, LaMountain, Tikoian, Appollonio, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND

VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC4026/1} (Requires all write-in votes, regardless of qualification, to be reported and published by the state board of elections, on its website.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Resolution No. [2132](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY LaMountain, Ciccone, Lawson, Burke, McKenney, Bissailon

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE

ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- OF

SUFFRAGE {LC3676/1} (Proposes to the voters of the state a constitutional amendment regarding eligibility to vote and to be a candidate.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2133](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY LaMountain, Ciccone, Lawson, Bissaillon, Burke, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- NOMINATION OF PARTY AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES {LC3678/1} (Amends several statutes relating to elections and the dates for primaries and dates within which to file nomination papers and object to nomination papers.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2136](#)

BY Bissaillon, LaMountain, Gallo, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- LOCAL CANVASSING AUTHORITIES {LC4180/1} (Requires party chairpersons to submit lists of party voters to the mayor or council president within 30 days of notice of vacancy in a municipal election office and mayor/council president are required to make a replacement nomination within 30 days.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2147](#)

BY Burke, LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTIONS {LC4179/1} (Requires that the primary election date, statutorily the eighth Tuesday preceding the biennial state elections, shall be held on the Wednesday when Labor Day is the day before said Tuesday. No other filing deadlines would be affected.)

01/16/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2282](#)

BY Dimitri, LaMountain, Famiglietti, Patalano, Thompson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- LOCAL CANVASSING AUTHORITIES {LC4178/1} (Changes how voter are notified of elections and vote registration deadlines, and local board questions.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2309](#)

BY Ciccone, Tikoian, Burke, DiPalma, Rogers

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND FOR PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE {LC4291/1} (Amends certain signature requirements and deadlines regarding primaries for election of delegates to national conventions for presidential preference.)

01/23/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2341](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY LaMountain

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC3679/1} (Entitles disabled and military voters to utilize electronically transmitted ballots.)

01/29/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2491](#)

BY LaMountain, Britto, Burke, Gallo, Ciccone, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND FOR PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE {LC4766/1} (Changes the date for the election of delegates to the conventions from the fourth Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday in March 2028.)

02/06/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2593](#)

BY Thompson, Burke, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- GENERAL PROVISIONS {LC4240/1} (Redefines "Political Party" and defines and distinguishes between "major parties" and "minor parties" based on the total number of votes a party's candidate received in the previous election among other factors.)

02/13/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7007 as amended](#)

(Secretary of State)

BY O'Brien, Shanley, Solomon, Dawson, Biah, McEntee, Noret, Read, Azzinaro, Corvese ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS {LC3125/1} (Entitles disabled and military voters to utilize electronically transmitted ballots.)

01/07/2026 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

01/09/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/15/2026 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

01/23/2026 Scheduled for consideration

01/27/2026 Committee recommends passage

01/30/2026 Placed on House Calendar

02/05/2026 House passed as amended (floor amendment)

02/06/2026 Referred to Senate Judiciary

02/20/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2026 Meeting postponed

02/23/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, February 26, 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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