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## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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**H-5571 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE SPONSOR  
H-6199 HAS BEEN ADDED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION**

### NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 4, 2023  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5174](#)**

**BY Cortvriend, Carson, McNamara, Craven, Spears, Fogarty, Knight, Edwards, Kennedy, Kazarian**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL {LC193/1} (Provides a definition of the recognizable high tide line for the public's rights and privileges of the shore.)

01/19/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/28/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [5438](#)**

**BY Knight**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC1009/1} (Permits a signed release to be transmitted to the party responsible for paying the settlement or their attorney by electronic means.)

02/08/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/02/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [5780](#)**

(Dept. of Revenue)

**BY Alzate, Diaz, Giraldo, Batista, Biah, Henries, Felix, Morales, Abney, Hull**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- DRIVER PRIVILEGE CARDS AND PERMITS {LC1712/1} (Reduces the fee for an original driver privilege card from fifty dollars (\$50.00) to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).)

02/22/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/03/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [5887](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Kazarian**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- POWER OF OFFICERS TO ADMINISTER OATHS {LC2420/1} (Adds active magistrates and retired and active justices of the worker's compensation court to those public officers and employees authorized to administer oaths within the State of Rhode Island.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/01/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/06/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [5900](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Marszalkowski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- VICTIM'S RIGHTS {LC2411/1} (Amends the current requirement of payment of initial filing fee and service of process costs when the victim of crime is still owed restitution at the expiration of the case and seeks to enforce the civil judgment entered at disposition.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/03/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [6029](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- FALSE IMPERSONATION {LC2410/1} (Provides that state court clerks be added to the list of public officers for whom falsely assuming their identity would be a criminal offense.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/03/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

**SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION**

**House Bill No. [5110](#)**

**BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Ajello, Tanzi, Felix**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- THE RHODE ISLAND FIRST STEP ACT {LC163/1} (Establishes Rhode Island First Step program requiring DOC to assist offenders with reintegration into society, counseling, medical care, education, early sentence termination or pre-release confinement for elderly and terminally ill offenders.)

01/12/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5115](#)**

**BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Ajello, McGaw, Kislak, Felix, Tanzi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC169/1} (Allows expungement of multiple felony convictions for non-violent felonies 10 years after sentence completed.)

01/12/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5149](#)**

**BY Edwards, Knight, Craven, Kazarian, Casimiro, Kislak, Ajello, Newberry**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- HOMICIDE {LC383/1}

(Abolishes penalty of life without parole and amends/repeals all sections of general laws regulating prisoners serving a sentence of life without parole. It would have prospective and retroactive effect for any offense committed after January 1, 1991.)

01/18/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5209](#)**

**BY Corvese, Vella-Wilkinson, Fellela, Solomon**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS -- REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS {LC21/1}

(Prohibits any employer from denying any person employment based on a prior criminal conviction and prohibits state from disqualifying any person from any occupation for which a license is required based on a prior conviction.)

01/19/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5215](#)**

**BY Craven, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Costantino**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ARREST {LC548/1}

(College security may detain criminal offenders.)

01/19/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5296](#)**

**BY Place, Rea, Nardone**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ELECTRONIC

INFORMATION AND DATA PRIVACY ACT {LC478/1} (Requires law enforcement agencies to obtain search warrants for electronic information, data, location information and other identifying information of subscribers and customers, except in specified circumstances.)

02/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5361](#)**

**BY Felix, Knight, Kazarian, Morales, Alzate, McNamara, Stewart, Potter, Henries, Cruz ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GENERAL PROVISIONS {LC1049/1} (Further delineates the definitions of felony, misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor.)

02/03/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5511](#)**

**BY Place**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS {LC1337/1} (Requires law enforcement to obtain consent or a warrant before placing audio or video recorders on the private property of another. A violation of this act would make any evidence inadmissible in any court proceedings.)

02/10/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5562](#)**

(Dept. of Corrections)

**BY Diaz, Slater, Edwards, Perez, DeSimone, Batista, Voas, Giraldo, Hull, J. Lombardi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT {LC1615/1} (Provides additional earned time for good behavior or program participation or completion for prisoners not serving a life sentence.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5563](#)**

**BY Felix, McEntee, Batista, Craven, Kislak, Alzate, Cruz, Potter, Morales, Henries**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE {LC1043/1} (Prohibits the courts from setting cash or surety bail on any misdemeanor offense but permits the court to set reasonable non-monetary conditions of bail to assure the defendant's presence in court as required and to protect the community.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5566](#)**

**BY Place, Rea, Chippendale, Nardone**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- PEN REGISTERS AND TRAP AND TRACE DEVICES {LC1770/1} (Prohibits the use of a stingray cell-site simulator device by any law enforcement agency except upon application for its use and the granting of an order by the presiding justice of the superior court.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5567](#)**

**BY Stewart, Sanchez, Morales, Potter, Henries, Cruz, Ajello, Kislak, Alzate**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC1947/1} (Repeals the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights, Chapter 42-28.6 of the General Laws, in its entirety.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5568](#)**

**BY Batista, Tanzi, Potter, Alzate, Felix**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY ACT {LC622/1} (Specifies and restricts use of excessive physical force by peace officers and creates a civil action for constitutional rights violations as well as impose a duty to intervene on officers on scene. Requires reporting of incident information.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5569](#)**

**BY Batista, Knight, Dawson, McEntee, Felix, Craven, Slater, Giraldo, Potter, Cruz**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- JURY LISTS {LC633/1} (Allows persons who are on parole, a suspended sentence or on probation to serve on juries.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5571](#)**

**~~BY Batista, Potter, Alzate, Felix, Craven~~**

**~~ENTITLED,~~** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND EXECUTION {LC799/1} (~~Requires the court to release probation violators on their own recognizance unless it determines that some reasonable surety is required to ensure the defendant's appearance in court.)~~)

~~02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary~~

~~03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

**House Bill No. [5582](#)**

**BY Batista, Potter, Cruz, Alzate, Felix, Craven**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT {LC623/1} (Makes possession of controlled substances civil violations punishable by a one hundred dollar (\$100) fine for a first offense and up to three hundred dollars (\$300) for subsequent offenses. Repeat offenders would also have to complete drug counseling.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5583](#)**

**BY Batista, Knight, Potter, Cruz, Alzate, Felix**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GENERAL PROVISIONS {LC1422/1} (Provides that imposition of fine only is not conviction under Rhode Island law and straight probation is not conviction, absent violation and specific findings, but probation is conviction for sentencing enhancements as mandated by law.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5685](#)**

**BY Felix, Kislak, Giraldo, Henries, Tanzi, Morales, McNamara, Kazarian, Casimiro, Batista**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE {LC1767/1} (Requires the clerk of the court to return any bail money posted to the defendant or the person who provided the bail money at the time of judgment of the case and that the money shall not be used to pay costs, fines or restitution or any other assessment.)

02/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5686](#)**

**BY Cruz, Potter, Batista, Speakman, Tanzi, Stewart, Boylan, McNamara, Giraldo, Kazarian**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND EXECUTION {LC1500/1} (Requires sentencing court to consider whether defendant is parent of child, or caregiver of elderly, disabled or terminally ill person whose well-being would be adversely affected by the person's incarceration and if so, shall impose a non-jail sentence.)

02/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5697](#)**

**BY Felix, Batista, Kislak, Giraldo, Henries, Morales, McNamara, Kazarian, Casimiro, J. Lombardi**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS {LC1768/1} (Mandates that the clerk of the district court automatically also seal individual counts of criminal complaints upon dismissal pursuant to rule 48(a) of the rules of criminal procedure for district court.)

02/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5888](#)**

**BY Hull, Noret, Phillips, Sanchez, Bennett, Biah**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC2374/1} (Amends law enforcement officers' bill of rights.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5889](#)**

**BY Ajello, Tanzi, Speakman, Morales, Henries, Knight, Cruz, Diaz, Felix, Hull**  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- POLICE TRAFFIC STOP DATA COLLECTION {LC1368/1} (Revises CCPRA regarding continued traffic stop data/analysis/reporting by transferring those duties to the office of highway safety effective January 1, 2024, with creation of 12 member advisory committee.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6071](#)**

**BY Morales, Sanchez, Potter, Felix, Henries, Tanzi**  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF POLICE ROBOT TECHNOLOGY {LC2171/1} (Prohibits on-duty/off-duty law enforcement officer from utilizing any robot/police robot dog/UAV, whether armed/unarmed, within the scope of their employment as well as police departments from purchase/procurement of any robots/UAVs/police robot dogs.)

03/03/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6139](#)**

**BY Casimiro, Cotter, Donovan, Ajello, Kazarian, Shallcross Smith, Spears, Cruz, Tanzi, Knight**  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SECOND LOOK SENTENCING ACT {LC2310/1} (Establishes the second look act and would permit incarcerated individuals to petition the sentencing court to consider a motion to reduce a sentence after the defendant has served at least 10 years of the sentence.)

03/08/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6161](#)**

**BY Felix, Cruz, Craven, Batista, Vella-Wilkinson, Caldwell, Ajello, Kazarian, Morales**  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- SOLITARY CONFINEMENT REFORM ACT {LC2181/1} (Establishes the restrictive housing oversight committee ("committee") for the purpose of monitoring the use of restrictive housing (solitary confinement), as well as disciplinary and administrative confinement at the department of corrections.)

03/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Resolution No. [6163](#)**

**BY Solomon, Edwards, Kazarian, Casimiro, Spears, Casey, Potter, Cruz, Felix, Kislak**  
**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE THE LONG-TERM OUTCOMES AND REDUCE RECIDIVISM OF FEMALES WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE POPULATION {LC2602/1} (Creates a 19 member task force whose purpose it would be to improve outcomes and reduce recidivism of females in the criminal justice system, and who would report back by February 5, 2024, and expire on April 5, 2024.)

03/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Resolution No. [6164](#)**

**BY Solomon, Kazarian, Casimiro, Spears, Carson, Caldwell**

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (DHS) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (DOC) ON CURRENT AND POTENTIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS FOR TRANSITIONING FEMALES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM THROUGH PRE- AND POST-RELEASE {LC2601/1}

03/17/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6180](#)**

**BY Felix, Batista, Craven, McEntee, Knight, Hull, Tanzi, Slater, Shallcross Smith, Ajello**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT-- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT {LC2572/1} (Repeals 42-56-38.1 and requires the department of corrections to provide free communication services to inmates and juveniles held in residential placement or detention centers and requires that those facilities provide in-person contact visits.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6181](#)**

**BY Batista**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SCREENING, DISCIPLINE AND DECERTIFICATION {LC2217/1} (Creates an officer discipline board and provides law enforcement personal to comply with this act.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6200](#)**

**BY Batista, Craven, Knight, Felix, Cruz, Ajello, Potter, Kislak, Morales, Alzate**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC2560/1} (Amends the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights providing greater accountability in the disciplinary process, the chief of police authority to impose discipline after the finding of a violation, appellate rights to the accused officer.)

03/24/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6199](#)**

**BY Batista, Craven, Felix**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ARREST {LC2561/1} (Prohibits the civil arrest of any person who is attending court either on behalf of themselves or a family or household member. Any person who violates this act shall be subject to civil suit and for contempt of court.)

03/24/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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