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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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**H-5174 HAS BEEN POSTPONED AT THE REQUEST OF THE SPONSOR  
H-5118 HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN AT THE SPONSOR'S REQUEST**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, February 6, 2025  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5023](#)**

**BY Kennedy, Spears, Diaz, Donovan, Cotter, Carson, Azzinaro, Kazarian, Edwards, Serpa**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RARE DISEASE ADVISORY COUNCIL {LC507/1} (Establishes a rare disease advisory council within the department of health and provides guidance and recommendations to educate health care providers and the citizens of the state.)

01/10/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5027](#)**

**BY Diaz, Tanzi, McNamara, Azzinaro, Batista, Phillips, Edwards, Giraldo, Shallcross Smith, Ajello**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT {LC433/1} (Provides that any law or regulation which prohibits or protects a person from exposure to second-hand smoke would include second-hand marijuana smoke or vapor.)

01/10/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Resolution No. [5045](#)**

**BY Casimiro, Noret**

**ENTITLED,** HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF UTILIZING FEDERAL TITLE IV DOLLARS TO SUPPORT AND ENHANCE ENROLLMENT IN SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION AT RIC {LC564/1} (Extends the reporting date of the Legislative Commission to Study the Feasibility of Utilizing Federal Title IV Dollars to Support and Enhance Enrollment in Social Work Education at RIC from February 11, 2025, to March 6, 2025.)

01/15/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5083](#)**

**BY Fellela, Serpa, Messier, Corvese, Ackerman, Caldwell**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS REQUIRED AT PUBLIC PLACES AND HEALTHCARE FACILITIES {LC120/1} (Requires public or private golf courses to have an automated external defibrillator on the premises.)

01/16/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. [5117](#)**

**BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Potter, Felix**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- RHODE ISLAND FOOD, DRUGS, AND COSMETICS ACT {LC101/1} (Requires that all cosmetics manufactured, sold, delivered, held or offered for sale contain a label that completely and accurately list all of their component ingredients.)

01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration



**House Bill No. ~~5118~~**

**~~BY J. Lombardi, Hull, Ajello, Potter, Stewart, Felix~~**

**~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- POLICE OFFICERS -- COMMISSION ON STANDARDS AND TRAINING {LC102/1}~~**  
(Requires mandatory training standards for police officers and trainees, in identifying, responding, and handling all incidents involving any person with a developmental disability.)

~~01/22/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services~~

~~01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~



**House Bill No. ~~5171~~**

**~~BY Edwards, Craven, Potter, Caldwell, Kislak, Bennett, Ajello, Batista, McEntee, Kazarian~~**

**~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HARM REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM {LC790/1}~~** (Removes the sunset provision of the four (4) year pilot program to prevent drug overdoses through the establishment of harm reduction centers and creates a permanent program for harm reduction centers.)

~~01/24/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services~~

~~01/31/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~



**House Bill No. ~~5174~~**

**~~BY Bennett, Corvese, Cotter, Carson, Dawson, Baginski, Phillips, Shanley, Craven, DeSimone~~**

**~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- CERTIFIED SURGICAL FIRST ASSISTANTS {LC87/1}~~** (Allows for the licensing of certified surgical first assistants to assist in surgeries through the department of health and a seven (7) member board of licensure.)

~~01/24/2025 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services~~

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