# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

#### NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, January 27, 2022

**TIME:** Rise of the House

**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

# SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. 6601

BY Ajello, Tanzi, Felix, Batista, Handy, Speakman, Kislak, Cassar, Knight, Fogarty ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC3461/1} (Same as 21H-5600--Includes the general assembly elections within the category of elections subject to the risk-limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections.)

01/06/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

## House Bill No. 6622

**BY** Corvese

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTIONS {LC3167/1}

(Same as 21H-6465 -- Changes the process of nominating candidates for the general election, by replacing the political party primary with a primary general election.)

01/06/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### House Bill No. 6661

BY Place, Chippendale, Roberts, Hawkins

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTION DATES {LC3546/1} (Same as 21H-5284 -- Requires that the primary election date, typically the eighth Tuesday preceding the biennial state elections, shall be held on the Wednesday immediately following Labor Day, only if the eighth Tuesday immediately follows Labor Day.) 01/06/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections 01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### **House Resolution No. 7031**

BY J Lombardi, Cassar, Potter, Felix, Morales, Henries

**ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE - FOUR YEAR TERMS AND TERM LIMITS FOR REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS {LC3729/1} (Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution, Article IV, to allow for term limits for the general assembly members.)

01/10/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7033

BY Solomon, McNamara

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING {LC3533/1} (Requires all candidates for office to file the same number of campaign finance reports, all due at the same times, whether or not they have or had a contested primary election.)

01/10/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections 01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. 7146

BY J Lombardi, Morales, Henries

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY {LC3742/1} (Enables the Rhode Island public transit authority (RIPTA) to work with the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA) to allow commuter rail passes to be used as dual passes for both RIPTA and MBTA.) 01/20/2022 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections 01/21/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

#### PROCEDURAL INFORMATION:

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at

https://www.rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx.

#### WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via HouseStateGovernmentandElections@rilegislature.gov

Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message. Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests. This inbox is for written testimony only.

DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be posted to the website as soon as possible.

For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website. http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HSGE.aspx

## **VERBAL TESTIMONY**

Individuals may testify in person or over the phone. Masks are mandatory in committee hearings and in the State House.

Please take note of the procedure for verbal testimony over the phone:

\*DEADLINE: Individuals may testify in person or over the phone. For phone testimony, the deadline to register is 4:00 pm the day prior. To register, complete the <u>FORM</u> or sign-up in person with the committee clerk.

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Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called and in some cases, it may be at a late hour. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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