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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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**SENATE BILL 2004 SUB B HAS BEEN POSTPONED  
HOUSE BILLS 7322 AND 7350 HAVE BEEN POSTPONED AT THE SPONSOR'S REQUEST**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 3, 2020  
**TIME:** Rise of the House  
**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

~~Senate Bill No. [2004 SUB B](#)~~

~~BY [Coync, Ruggiero, Lynch Prata, Goodwin, McCaffrey](#)~~

~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC3405/B/1}~~

~~01/08/2020 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary~~

~~01/17/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~01/17/2020 Proposed Substitute~~

~~01/17/2020 Proposed Substitute~~

~~01/21/2020 Committee recommends passage of Sub A~~

~~01/22/2020 Placed on Senate Calendar~~

~~01/29/2020 Senate passed Sub A as amended (floor amendment)~~

~~01/30/2020 Referred to House Judiciary~~

~~02/17/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~02/21/2020 Proposed Substitute~~

~~02/21/2020 Proposed Substitute~~

~~02/25/2020 Committee recommends passage of Sub B~~

~~02/25/2020 Placed on House Calendar~~

~~02/27/2020 House voted to recommit to House Judiciary~~

~~02/28/2020 Scheduled for consideration~~

**House Bill No. [7151](#)**

**BY [Corvese, Canario, Vella-Wilkinson, Azzinaro, Ucci](#)**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- EXPLOSIVES,**

**FIREWORKS, AND PYROTECHNICS {LC3151/1} (Prohibits the use of display fireworks/aerial consumer fireworks without a permit between 12:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. on any day and would make a violation of this permit requirement a civil violation punishable by a fine of \$75.00 and court costs.)**

01/16/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/28/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

02/28/2020 Scheduled for consideration

**House Bill No. [7259](#)**

**BY McNamara, Caldwell, Shekarchi, Jackson**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD {LC3606/1} (Provides for specific fines and sanctions to operators of motor vehicles who fail to exercise due care to avoid colliding with a vulnerable road user causing injury, serious injury, or death to the vulnerable road user.)

01/23/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/24/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/28/2020 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

02/28/2020 Scheduled for consideration

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE**

~~Senate Bill No. [2004 SUB B](#)~~

~~{LC3405/B/2}~~

**SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION**

**House Bill No. [7201](#)**

**BY Millea, Knight, Solomon, McKiernan, Craven**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC3544/1} (Grants a judge or magistrate the discretion to impose the requirement of blood and/or urine testing or the use of the ignition interlock system.)

01/22/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

~~House Bill No. [7322](#)~~

~~BY Edwards, Canario, Kennedy, Azzinaro, O'Brien~~

~~**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION OF ELDERS -- ABUSE AND ISOLATION OF ELDERS OR DEPENDENT ADULTS -- THE PETER FALK CRIMINAL ISOLATION OF ELDERS ACT {LC3563/1} (Makes it a felony to isolate an elder or dependent adult and would expand the persons entitled to notice when a guardianship or conservatorship petition is filed in the probate court for dependents or elderly adults.)~~

~~01/29/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary~~

~~02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~House Bill No. [7350](#)~~

~~BY Edwards, Canario, Bennett, Blazejewski, Vella-Wilkinson~~

~~**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD {LC3554/1} (Requires the driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction to use a directional signal and repeals the requirement that such signal be audible.)~~

~~01/30/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary~~

~~02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

**House Bill No. [7353](#)**

**BY Casimiro, Craven**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- THREE WHEEL VEHICLES {LC3573/1} (Provides that three (3)-wheeled motorcycles be included under the licensing requirements of the department of motor vehicles.)

01/30/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7433](#)**

**BY Canario, O'Brien, Phillips, Lima, Edwards**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SCHOOL BUS SPEED LIMITS {LC4311/1} (Establishes a speed limit for school buses being driven on a limited access highway to ten (10) miles per hour less than the posted speed limit.)

02/05/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/17/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/20/2020 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7476](#)**

**BY Canario, Edwards, Jackson, McLaughlin, Cortvriend**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC3819/1} (Imposes three hundred dollar substance abuse education assessment for any conviction of driving under the influence or refusal to submit to breathalyzer. Funds would be allocated to department of behavioral health and used for substance abuse programs.)

02/06/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7478](#)**

**BY Walsh, Lombardi, Hull, Fogarty**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL ASSAULT {LC3946/1} (Establishes criteria for the criminal offense of sexual assault when the victim is in the custody of a peace officer. Provides that a person convicted of custodial sexual assault would face imprisonment for not more than 3 years.)

02/06/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/20/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/25/2020 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7479](#)**

(Judiciary/Courts)

**BY Canario, Edwards, Jackson, McLaughlin, Bennett**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ADJUDICATION OF TRAFFIC OFFENSES {LC4325/1} (Removes the \$25.00 limit on tuition for a motorist to attend a driver education course, and would allow a judge or magistrate to delay the imposition of a suspension or revocation of a driver's license or registration for a period up to 30 days.)

02/06/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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02/17/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/20/2020 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7539](#)**

**BY Craven, McEntee, McKiernan, Millea**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES {LC4220/1} (Makes failure to pay employees wages amounting to \$1,500 or more a felony punishable by fines or imprisonment or both.)**

02/12/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7542](#)**

(State Police)

**BY Canario, Edwards, Bennett, Diaz, McLaughlin**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - RIGHT-OF-WAY {LC4443/1} (Makes it a traffic offense for a motorist to fail to yield the right-of-way when leaving a public roadway to enter or cross a private road or driveway.)**

02/12/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7546](#)**

**BY O'Brien, Corvese, Craven, Solomon, Johnston**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS {LC4432/1} (Prohibits person convicted of unnecessary cruelty to animals from owning or exercising control of an animal for life. Penalty for violation one thousand dollars (\$1000) and forfeiture of animal.)**

02/12/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7590](#)**

(Attorney General)

**BY Amore, Ruggiero, Noret**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC4542/1} (Extends the "lookback" period for third and subsequent offenses under chapter relative to driving under the influence of liquor or drugs and refusal to submit to chemical test from five (5) to ten (10) years.)**

02/13/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7599](#)**

**BY McEntee, Craven, Caldwell, Speakman, O'Brien**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT**

{LC4452/1} (Increases the age of children able to utilize a recorded forensic interview for cases of sexual abuse in grand jury testimony -- child assault from age fourteen (14) to age eighteen (18).)

02/13/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7598](#)**

**BY Alzate, Ucci, Tobon, Williams, Barros**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR**

VEHICLE OFFENSES {LC4313/1} (Permits the district court to issue probationary operator's licenses to those who had their licenses suspended, under certain conditions and for reasons of extreme hardship. Offenses involving alcohol, injury or death would be ineligible.)

02/13/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7631](#)**

**BY Craven, Cortvriend, Ruggiero, Amore**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL ASSAULT**

{LC4708/1} (Eliminates the marital sexual assault exception when a victim is incapacitated, disabled, or helpless.)

02/14/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7706](#)**

**BY Lima, Solomon, Serpa, O'Brien, Shekarchi**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY**

TO ANIMALS {LC4968/1} (Bans the sale of cosmetics developed/manufactured using animal testing. A violation would be a \$1,000 fine for each offense.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7737](#)**

(RI State Police)

**BY Ackerman, Shekarchi, Hawkins, Jackson, Noret**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN {LC4362/1}**

(Makes it a misdemeanor to possess, transfer and/or produce child erotica for the specific purpose of sexual gratification or arousal, punishable by confinement in jail for not more than one year, or fine of not more (\$1,000), or both.)

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [7740](#)**

**BY Ackerman, Serpa, Shekarchi, O'Brien, Millea**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY – CRUELTY TO ANIMALS {LC4515/1} (Increases penalties for animal cruelty.)**

02/26/2020 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/28/2020 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Chairman Craven requests that any witnesses providing written testimony provide 23 copies for committee use. Please mark the written testimony with the bill number.**

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