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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

SENATE RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE YEARS 2023-2024

Introduced By: Senators McKenney, Gu, Ruggerio, Ciccone, Tikoian, Lawson, Zurier,
LaMountain, Felag, and Urso

Date Introduced: January 14, 2025

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 RESOLVED, That sections 5.1, 5.1-4 and 5.1-5 of the rules for the Senate adopted by the
2 Senate at its January session A.D. 2023 entitled "Senate Resolution Adopting the Rules of the
3 Senate for the Years 2023-2024" be and the same are hereby amended to read as follows:

4 **SECTION 5.**

5 **COMMITTEES**

6 **5.1 Standing Committees.**

7 The senate shall have the following standing committees:

- 8 1. Committee on Judiciary
- 9 2. Committee on Finance
- 10 3. Committee on Housing and Municipal Government
- 11 4. Committee on Labor and Gaming
- 12 5. Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs
- 13 6. Committee on Health and Human Services
- 14 7. Committee on Education
- 15 8. Committee on Commerce
- 16 9. Committee on Environment and Agriculture
- 17 10. Committee on Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight

18 [11. Committee on Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies](#)

19 **5.1-4 Committee on Labor and Gaming.**

20 It shall be the duty of the committee on labor to consider the appointments of the

1 governor referred to it by the senate which require the advice and consent of the senate and all
2 legislation and matters relating to [gaming issues, constitutional amendments relating to gaming](#)
3 [issues](#), the workers' compensation and labor laws of the state, to maintain oversight over the
4 application, execution and operation of the laws within its jurisdiction and to consider such other
5 matters as may be referred to it by the senate.

6 **5.1-5 Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.**

7 It shall be the duty of the committee on special legislation and veterans' affairs to
8 consider the appointments of the governor referred to it by the senate which require the advice
9 and consent of the senate and all legislation and matters relating to constitutional amendments,
10 liquor laws, ~~gaming issues~~, license plates, veterans' affairs, domestic animals, commissions and
11 resolutions, to maintain oversight over the application, execution and operation of the laws within
12 its jurisdiction and to consider such other matters as may be referred to it by the senate.

13 **5.1-11 Committee on Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies.**

14 It shall be the duty of the committee on artificial intelligence and emerging technologies
15 to consider the appointments of the governor referred to it by the senate which require the advice
16 and consent of the senate and all legislation and matters relating to the creation, use, and
17 regulation of artificial intelligence and emerging technologies, and to maintain oversight over the
18 application, execution and operation of the laws within its jurisdiction and to consider such other
19 matters as may be referred to it by the senate.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
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- 1 This resolution would amend the rules of the Senate relative to committees and would
- 2 create a new committee on artificial intelligence and emerging technologies.

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