

THE SENATE  
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THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair  
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

**MEASURES DEFERRED TO THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2026**

DATE: Thursday, February 12, 2026  
TIME: 9:30 AM  
PLACE: Conference Room 016 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
TIMESLOT: JDC

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

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A G E N D A

<b><u>SB 2678</u></b> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a>	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Establishes a working group within the Judiciary to improve family court processes, including access to legal representation for youth in the child welfare system. Appropriates funds for the working group.	JDC, WAM
<b><u>SB 2313</u></b> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING FOR CANDIDATES TO ELECTED OFFICE. Establishes a comprehensive system of public financing for all candidates seeking election to state and county public offices in the State, to begin with the 2028 general election year. Requires the Campaign Spending Commission to submit reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	JDC, WAM
<b><u>SB 2528</u></b> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a>	RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS. Increases the expenditure limit and the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices. Adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program. Increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions. Appropriates funds for the program.	JDC, WAM

**Decision making meeting; no public testimony will be accepted as public testimony was accepted at a prior hearing.**

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