

Legislative update

Subcommittee meetings:

Wednesday, January 21, at 12:00pm: House subcommittee on: [H. 4669](#), Municipal Elections; [S. 38](#), Special Elections; [H. 3643](#), Voter Registration, Party Affiliation; [H. 3310](#), Closed Primaries

- No action taken on any bills.

Tuesday, January 20, 15 minutes after Senate adjournment: Senate subcommittee on:

- **[S. 128](#), Voter Registration– CARRIED OVER;**
 - Sen. Johnson working on an amendment or new bill to mirror Alabama and Kansas laws
 - Seems not retroactive based on federal court ruling in 9th circuit
- **[S. 694](#), Polling Places in Aiken County – FAVORABLE REPORT;**
 - Considering implementing this statewide; an amendment is currently being drafted
- **[H. 3556](#), Political Parties and Primaries – FAVORABLE REPORT AS AMENDED;**
 - Sen. Massey wants an amendment that allows courts to establish the filing fee
 - For *only* primaries, county executive boards won't have to hear the initial protest hearing since they all get appealed anyway
- **[H.3557](#), Candidate Filing – FAVORABLE REPORT AS AMENDED**
 - Amended so that if passed, it would not affect 2026 primaries

New bills:

[S 0694](#) General Bill, By [Young](#)

Summary: Polling Places in Aiken County

[H 4669](#) General Bill, By [B. Newton](#), [Pope](#) and [Taylor](#)

Summary: Municipal elections

[H 4707](#) Joint Resolution, By [Sessions](#), [C. Mitchell](#), [Pope](#) and [Oremus](#)

Summary: Constitutional referendum

[H 4717](#) General Bill, By [Pace](#), [Edgerton](#), [Kilmartin](#) and [White](#)

Summary: Reapportionment, Congressional Districts

[S 0841](#) General Bill, By [Massey](#)

Summary: Election Commission – Appointed Commissioners