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Introducer(s):

Planning and Development Committee

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Statement of Purpose: To (1) require the Secretary of the State to publish a manual concerning the duties of justices of the peace, (2) prohibit misconduct by justices of the peace, (3) specify that a newly created office of justice of the peace may be filled by appointment prior to the next regular election, (4) require a forty-eight hour waiting period before the issuance of a marriage license, and (5) establish a working group concerning justices of the peace.

Bill History:

03-05-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee
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03-30-2026 REPORTED OUT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
03-30-2026 FAVORABLE REPORT, TABLED FOR THE CALENDAR, HOUSE
03-30-2026 HOUSE CALENDAR NUMBER 215
03-30-2026 FILE NUMBER 259
04-08-2026 HOUSE PASSED
04-10-2026 FAVORABLE REPORT, TABLED FOR THE CALENDAR, SENATE
04-10-2026 SENATE CALENDAR NUMBER 360
05-06-2026 SENATE PASSED
05-06-2026 ON CONSENT CALENDAR / IN CONCURRENCE
05-20-2026 PUBLIC ACT 26-141
05-28-2026 TRANSMITTED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
05-28-2026 TRANSMITTED BY SECRETARY OF THE STATE TO GOVERNOR
06-04-2026 SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

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