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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES - ADJUDICATION OF TRAFFIC OFFENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Walsh, Fellela, Kennedy, Marcello, and Carnevale

Date Introduced: January 25, 2011

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-41.1 of the General Laws entitled "Adjudication of Traffic
- 2 Offenses" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>31-41.1-3.1. Mandatory court appearances. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of</u>
- 4 sections 31-41.1-2 or 31-41.1-3, any person who receives a third (3rd) summons within a twelve
- 5 (12) month period of time cannot, plea or dispose of the charge by mail, but must appear in
- 6 person before a judge at the traffic tribunal or municipal court.
- 7 (b) The preceding twelve (12) month period shall be calculated from the date of the
- 8 issuance of the third (3^{rd}) summons.
- 9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on October 1, 2011 and shall apply to offenses
- 10 committed on or after October 1, 2011.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would require anyone who receives a third (3^{rd}) summons within a twelve (12)
- 2 month period to appear in court.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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