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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS - STATE PURCHASES

Introduced By: Representatives Hearn, Marcello, Mattiello, JP O'Neill, and Fox

Date Introduced: April 27, 2011

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 37-2 of the General Laws entitled "State Purchases" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 **37-2-8.1. Data retrieval.** -- (a) Declaration of policy. -- The general assembly declares
4 that it is the policy of this state to require its contractually outsourced computer software vendors
5 to provide the state, or municipalities, subdivisions or instrumentalities where applicable, with
6 independent access without charge to the data and information of the affected government entity.
- 7 (b) Ownership and maintenance of data and information. -- The state, or municipality,
8 subdivision or instrumentality where applicable, shall reserve all property rights to their own data
9 or information. Contractually outsourced computer software vendors shall maintain a duplicate
10 database of said data or information separately from an operating database.
- 11 (c) Retrieval of data and information. -- The division of purchases shall include in its
12 general terms and conditions for contracts, and make subject to its rules and regulations, the
13 requirement that all contractually outsourced computer software vendors provide a guidance
14 system for the state, or municipality, subdivision or individuality where applicable, to find their
15 data and information. Further, said vendors shall provide a means for these government entities
16 independently and without charge to access their data and information without vendor
17 involvement.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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- 1 This act would require computer software vendors to provide the state, or municipalities,
- 2 subdivisions or instrumentalities where applicable, independent access without charge to the data
- 3 and information of the affected government entity.
- 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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