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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- ASSENT TO FOOD SAFETY
MODERNIZATION ACT

Introduced By: Representative June Speakman

Date Introduced: June 13, 2019

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 2-1 of the General Laws entitled "Agricultural Functions of
2 Department of Environmental Management" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following
3 section:

4 **2-1-10.1. Assent to food safety modernization act.**

5 The state of Rhode Island assents to the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "FDA
6 Food Safety Modernization Act," 21 U.S.C. § 2201 et seq., and the director of environmental
7 management is authorized, empowered, and directed to perform those acts relating to produce on
8 the farm that may be necessary for the modernization of the safety of the food supply, as defined
9 in that act of Congress, in compliance with that act and with the rules and regulations
10 promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration that are consistent with that act.

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

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would have Rhode Island assent to the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act, and
2 empowers the director of DEM to perform those acts necessary, as related to produce on the farm,
3 to be in compliance with the provisions of the act for the modernization of the safety of the food
4 supply.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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