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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - PUBLIC UTILITIES

Introduced By: Representative Arthur J. Corvese

Date Introduced: January 06, 2010

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 11-35 of the General Laws entitled "Public Utilities" is hereby

2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 <u>11-35-29. Trespassing on utility property. -- Every person who, without right, willfully</u>

4 <u>trespasses and remains upon the land or premises of any utility, after having been forbidden to do</u>

so by the owner, agent, or the person having control over the premises of the facility, shall be

6 punished by a term of imprisonment of not more than three (3) years, by a fine not exceeding one

7 <u>thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500), or both.</u>

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

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would make it a felony to trespass upon the property of a utility, and would set forth punishments of a term of imprisonment of not more than three (3) years, by a fine not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500), or both.

This act would take effect upon passage.