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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - DIVORCE AND SEPARATION

Introduced By: Representatives Ajello, Valencia, Walsh, Marcello, and Cimini

Date Introduced: January 30, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 15-5-16.5 of the General Laws in Chapter 15-5 entitled "Divorce
2 and Separation" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **15-5-16.5. Interest on arrearages.** -- Interest at the rate of six percent (6%) ~~twelve~~
4 ~~percent (12%)~~ per annum on any support debt due or owing, child or spousal support, shall be
5 assessed at the discretion of ~~unless the responsible party shall, for good cause shown, be relieved~~
6 ~~of the obligation to pay interest by~~ the family court.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would change the interest rate to six percent (6%) per annum on any child or
- 2 spousal support debt due or owing, to be assessed at the discretion of the family court.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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