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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

Introduced By: Representatives DeSimone, Slater, D Caprio, Lally, and Petrarca

Date Introduced: February 04, 2010

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-2 of the General Laws entitled "Duties of Utilities and Carriers"
2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **39-2-25. Removal of existing poles. --** All utility companies are required to complete
4 transfer of wires, all repairs, and removal of existing poles within three (3) months from the date
5 of installation of a new pole.

6 The owner of the poles must notify all other users of the starting date of the work. Any
7 violation of the provisions of this section shall be enforced by the public utility commission and
8 shall be subject to the violation to a fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per
9 day, payable to the city or town where the pole is located.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require utility companies to remove utility poles within 3 months of
- 2 erecting a new pole and would impose a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250) fine.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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