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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - RIGHT-OF-WAY

Introduced By: Representative A Rice

Date Introduced: February 24, 2010

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 31-17 of the General Laws entitled "Right-of-Way" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **31-17-5.2. Mobile equipment entry from private road or driveway.** -- Any operator of  
4 mobile equipment, as defined in section 31-1-9 when entering a public highway from a private  
5 road or driveway, shall place warning devices, flares or rubber cones on the roadway to give  
6 motoring and pedestrian traffic notice of their intention to enter the highway. The operator shall  
7 not drive their mobile equipment on the public highway unless it can be done with reasonable  
8 safety to all approaching highway vehicles or pedestrians.

9           SECTION 2. Section 31-17-5.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-17 entitled "Right-of-  
10 Way" is hereby amended to read as follows:

11           **31-17-5.1. Penalties.** -- Any person who violates any provision of sections 31-17-1 -- ~~31-~~  
12 ~~17-5;~~ 31-17-5.2 pertaining to the right-of-way of pedestrians, upon conviction, shall be sentenced  
13 to pay a fine of not more than seventy-five (\$75.00).

14           SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would require all operators of mobile equipment intending to drive onto a public  
2 highway from a private road and/or driveways to place a warning device on the highway to notify  
3 motorists and pedestrians of their intention to safely drive their mobile equipment onto the  
4 highway.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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