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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL CARE

Introduced By: Representatives Quattrocchi, Filippi, Nardone, Roberts, and Place

Date Introduced: February 26, 2020

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-1 of the General Laws entitled "Department of Health" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **23-1-2.1. Medical treatment for home-bound elderly residents.**

4 The director of the department of health shall develop and administer a program of on-call
5 physicians, for each of the state's five (5) counties, who are available to perform in-house visits to
6 examine and treat sick elderly residents, over the age of sixty-five (65), who are unable to travel to
7 a doctor's office on their own, without assistance.

8 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 require the director of the department of health to develop and administer a
2 program of on-call physicians to make home visits to elderly residents unable to travel to the
3 doctor's office without assistance.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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