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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR DISPUTES

Introduced By: Representatives Amore, and Shanley

Date Introduced: March 18, 2022

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 28-10 of the General Laws entitled "Labor Disputes" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **28-10-15. Harassment prohibited.**

4           (a) Notwithstanding the injunctive relief available pursuant to § 28-10-2, it shall be  
5 unlawful for any person, partnership, agency, firm, or corporation to call and use the police or to  
6 cause the police to be used for the purpose of harassing or otherwise disrupting participants of a  
7 labor dispute.

8           (b) Any person, partnership, agency, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this  
9 section is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more  
10 than five hundred dollars (\$500) for each person so harassed.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act will add a section to labor disputes that prevents the use of police as harassment
- 2   in a labor dispute.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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