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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

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RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- NATIONAL GUARD

Introduced By: Senators Tassoni, Bates, Lombardo, and Felag

Date Introduced: January 11, 2011

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 30-3-14 of the General Laws in Chapter 30-3 entitled "National
2 Guard" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **30-3-14. Qualifications of medical officers, judge advocates, and chaplains.** -- In the
4 national guard, all commissioned officers of the medical corps must be physicians or surgeons
5 licensed to practice in any state or the District of Columbia in the United States of America, all
6 commissioned officers of the judge advocate general's department must ~~all be members of the~~
7 ~~Rhode Island bar~~ comply with the provisions of Article II, Rule 2(g) of the Rhode Island Supreme
8 Court Rules as amended and ordered on June 5, 2008, all chaplains must be regularly ordained
9 ministers of the gospel, and any provision as to prior military service shall not apply to these
10 officers.

11 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 eliminate the mandate that commissioned officers in the judge advocate
2 general's department be a member of the Rhode Island bar, provided there is compliance with the
3 Rhode Island Supreme Court Rules.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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