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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND
COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Introduced By: Senators Raptakis, Kettle, Morgan, Ottiano, and Nesselbush

Date Introduced: February 12, 2015

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-37.1-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-37.1 entitled "Sexual
2 Offender Registration and Community Notification" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **11-37.1-3. Registration required -- Persons covered.** -- (a) Any person who, in this or
4 any other jurisdiction: (1) has been convicted of a criminal offense against a victim who is a
5 minor, (2) has been convicted of a sexually violent offense, (3) has been determined to be a
6 sexually violent predator, (4) has committed an aggravated offense as defined in § 11-37.1-2, ~~or~~
7 (5) is a recidivist, as defined in § 11-37.1-4, or (6) has been convicted of murder as defined in §
8 11-23-1; shall be required to register his or her current address with the local law enforcement
9 agency having jurisdiction over the city or town in which the person having the duty to register
10 resides for the time period specified in § 11-37.1-4.

11 (b) Any person who is: (1) a nonresident worker who has committed an offense that is
12 subject to registration in the state of his or her residence and who is employed or carrying on a
13 vocation in Rhode Island as defined in § 11-37.1-2(g), or (2) a nonresident student as defined by
14 § 11-37.1-2(m) who has committed an offense that is subject to registration in the state of his or
15 her residence and who is attending an educational institution in Rhode Island, shall be required to
16 register his or her current address and the address of his or her place of employment or school
17 attended with the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the city or town in which
18 the nonresident worker or student is employed or attending school.

1 (c) Any person having a duty to register as a sex offender in subsection (a) of this section
2 who is enrolled at, employed at or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education
3 shall have an additional duty to register the information described in subsection (a) of this section
4 with the local law enforcement agency in the city or town where the primary campus of the
5 institution of higher education at which the person is enrolled, employed or carrying on a
6 vocation who is located for the period of time they are enrolled at, employed at or carrying on a
7 vocation at the institution of higher education.

8 (d) If a person is registered as a sex offender in another state for an offense which, if
9 committed within the jurisdiction of this state, would require the person to register as a sex
10 offender, then that person, upon moving to or returning to this state, shall register as a sex
11 offender in the same manner as if the offense were committed within Rhode Island.

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

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1 This act would include persons who have been convicted of murder as defined in § 11-
2 23-1 within the class of persons which would be subject to the sexual offender registration and
3 community notification provisions of the general laws.

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