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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - ARREST

Introduced By: Senators Hodgson, Algieri, and Ottiano

Date Introduced: February 26, 2013

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 12-7-19 of the General Laws in Chapter 12-7 entitled "Arrest" is
2 hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **12-7-19. ~~Arrest after close pursuit by officers from cities or towns. Stop after close~~**
4 **pursuit by officers from cities or towns. --** Any member of a duly organized municipal peace
5 unit of another city or town of the state who enters any city or town in close pursuit and continues
6 within any city or town in such close pursuit of a person in order to ~~arrest~~ stop and briefly detain
7 him or her on the ground that he or she has violated the motor vehicle code in the other city or
8 town shall have the same authority ~~to arrest and hold in custody the person~~ as members of a duly
9 organized municipal peace unit of ~~any~~ that city or town ~~have to arrest and hold in custody a~~
10 ~~person on the ground that he or she has violated the motor vehicle code in any city or town.~~

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would provide that any municipal police officer who enters another city or town
2 in close pursuit of a person in order to stop and briefly detain that person for violations of the
3 motor vehicle code of the officer's municipality shall have the same authority as members of a
4 duly organized municipal peace unit of the city or town entered.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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