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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RETENTION OF X-RAYS

Introduced By: Senators F. Lombardi, Felag, Britto, Burke, LaMountain, and Ciccone

Date Introduced: March 07, 2023

Referred To: Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 23-4.9-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-4.9 entitled "Retention
2 of X-Rays" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **23-4.9-1. Retention of x-rays by health care providers.**

4 Every physician, surgeon, hospital, health maintenance organization, or any other health
5 care facility or provider that takes a mammography x-ray of any individual within this state shall
6 keep and maintain that mammography x-ray for the ~~life of the individual. Provided, further,~~
7 ~~however, that any mammography x ray may be destroyed if the individual has had no contact with~~
8 ~~the physician, surgeon, hospital, health maintenance organization, or other health care facility or~~
9 ~~provider for a period exceeding fifteen (15) years~~ period required by the United States Food and
10 Drug Administration.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would amend the retention of x-ray statute by eliminating retention for the life of
2 the individual to retention for whatever period is required by the United States Food and Drug
3 Administration.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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