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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES

Introduced By: Senators McCaffrey, Lynch, and Walaska

Date Introduced: March 24, 2015

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-37.1-10 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 **11-37.1-10. Penalties.** -- (a) Any person who is required to register or verify his or her
4 address or give notice of a change of address or residence, who knowingly fails to do so, shall be
5 guilty of a felony and upon conviction be imprisoned not more than ten (10) years, or fined not
6 more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or both.

7 (b) Any person who is required to register or verify his or her address or give notice of a
8 change of address or residence, who knowingly fails to do so, shall be in violation of the terms of
9 his or her release, regardless of whether or not the term was a special condition of his or her
10 release on probation, parole or home confinement or other form of supervised release.

11 (c) Any person who is required to register or verify his or her address, who knowingly
12 resides within ~~three hundred feet (300')~~ one thousand feet (1,000') of any school, public or
13 private, shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction may be imprisoned not more than five (5)
14 years, or fined not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or both.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would prohibit a person required to register as a sex offender from residing
2 within one thousand feet (1,000') from a school. The previous distance was three hundred feet
3 (300').

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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