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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES -
LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, and DiPalma

Date Introduced: March 13, 2013

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-2 of the General Laws entitled "Division of Motor Vehicles" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following sections:

3 **31-2-25. Surrender of suspended license.** -- Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a
4 licensee whose license has been suspended shall not be required to surrender the license to the
5 division of motor vehicles for the period of suspension. In the event a licensee is found to be
6 operating a motor vehicle while under suspension, the license shall be seized by the proper officer
7 and returned to the division of motor vehicles for the remainder of the suspension period.

8 **31-2-26. Surrender of suspended registration.** -- Notwithstanding any law to the
9 contrary, a motorist whose registration has been suspended shall not be required to surrender the
10 registration plates to the division of motor vehicles for the period of suspension. In the event a
11 motorist is found to be operating a motor vehicle while the registration is suspended, the
12 registration plates shall be seized by the proper officer and returned to the division of motor
13 vehicles for the remainder of the suspension period.

14 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 requirement that motorists surrender suspended licenses and
2 registration plates to the division of motor vehicles unless licensee is determined to be operating
3 after suspension.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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