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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014**

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - COMPUTER CRIME

Introduced By: Senator Walter S.Felag

Date Introduced: February 12, 2014

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 11-52 of the General Laws entitled "Computer Crime" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

11-52-9. False statements or threats. — Any person who shall use a computer, phone, smart phone, tablet, or any like device to make any false statements or threats concerning the endangerment of students at any school, or college, or university in the state of Rhode Island shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be imprisoned for a period of up to one year in jail or a fine of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or both.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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## **EXPLANATION**

### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would prohibit the use of a computer, phone, smart phone, tablet, or any like
device to make any false statements or threats concerning the endangerment of students at any
school, or college, or university in the state of Rhode Island.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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