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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Raptakis, Goodwin, Conley, and Coyne

Date Introduced: March 08, 2016

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

(Attorney General)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-27 of the General Laws entitled "Motor Vehicle Offenses" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **31-27-2.10. Driving under the influence of liquor or drugs, resulting in physical**
4 **injury.** – (a) When the physical injury of any person other than the operator is caused by the
5 operation of any motor vehicle, the operator of which is under the influence of any intoxicating
6 liquor, toluene, or any controlled substance as defined in chapter 28 of title 21 or any combination
7 of these, the person so operating the vehicle shall be guilty of "driving under the influence of
8 liquor or drugs, resulting in physical injury".

9 (b) Any person charged with a violation of this section shall, upon conviction, be
10 imprisoned for not more than three (3) years, and their license to operate a motor vehicle shall be
11 suspended for not more than one year.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would create the motor vehicle offense of "driving under the influence of liquor
2 or drugs, resulting in physical injury", a felony punishable by up to three (3) years in prison and a
3 license suspension of up to one year.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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