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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- POSTING OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

Introduced By: Senators E Morgan, Felag, F. Lombardi, Ciccone, Lombardo, and Tikoian

SECTION 1. Title 28 of the General Laws entitled "LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS"

Date Introduced: January 12, 2024

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

2	is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:
3	CHAPTER 60
4	POSTING OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES
5	28-60-1. Posting of veterans' benefits and services.
6	(a) The department of labor and training shall consult with the office of veterans services
7	to create and distribute a veterans' benefits and services poster.
8	(b) Such poster shall, at a minimum, include information regarding the following services
9	available to veterans:
10	(1) Contact and website information for the office of veterans services and the department's
11	veterans' program;
12	(2) Substance abuse and mental health treatment;
13	(3) Educational, workforce, and training resources;
14	(4) Tax benefits;
15	(5) Rhode Island state veteran drivers' licenses and non-driver identification cards;
16	(6) Eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits under state and/or federal law;
17	(7) Legal services; and
18	(8) Contact information for the United States Department of Veterans Affairs veterans

- 1 <u>crisis line.</u>
- 2 (c) Every employer in the state with more than fifty (50) full-time equivalent employees
- 3 shall display the poster created pursuant to this section in a conspicuous place accessible to
- 4 <u>employees in the workplace.</u>
- 5 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would require employers in the state with more than fifty (50) employees to display
2	a poster containing basic information on veterans' benefits and services which would be created
3	and distributed by the department of labor and training in consultation with the office of veterans
4	services.
5	This act would take effect on January 1, 2025.
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