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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS
ARBITRATION

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, Burke, Britto, Bissailon, and F. Lombardi

Date Introduced: February 12, 2024

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 28-9.7-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-9.7 entitled "Correctional
2 Officers Arbitration" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **28-9.7-3. Definitions.**

4 As used in this chapter, the following terms shall, unless the context requires a different
5 interpretation have the following meanings:

6 (1) "Correctional officers" shall mean the full-time correctional officers of the state of
7 Rhode Island [and shall include all those job classifications, in any bargaining unit certified by the](#)
8 [Rhode Island state labor relations board, in which correctional officers constitute a majority of said](#)
9 [bargaining unit membership.](#)

10 (2) "State authorities" shall mean the proper officials of the state whose duty or duties it is
11 to establish the wages, salaries, rates of pay, hours, working conditions, and other terms and
12 conditions of employment of correctional officers.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would expand the definition of correctional officer, to include any bargaining unit,
- 2 in which correctional officers constitute a majority of the bargaining unit's membership.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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