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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Introduced By: Representatives Shanley, Phillips, Caldwell, and Finkelman

Date Introduced: February 26, 2025

Referred To: House Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-1 of the General Laws entitled "Department of Health" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:  
3           **23-1-59. Public health advertising.**  
4           It should be the public policy of the state that no public health advertisement or regulation  
5 shall explicitly or implicitly state that there is a safe way to take illegal drugs.  
6           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would provide that public health advertisements be prohibited from stating that
- 2   there is a safe way to take illegal drugs.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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