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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025**

### AN ACT

## RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ADJUDICATION OF TRAFFIC OFFENSES

Introduced By: Senator E Morgan

Date Introduced: February 13, 2025

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-41.1 of the General Laws entitled "Adjudication of Traffic
- 2 Offenses" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>31-41.1-4.1. Limitation on collection of motor vehicle violation fines.</u>
- 4 <u>Notwithstanding any general law, rule or regulation to the contrary, no fines and/or costs</u>
- 5 <u>assessed as a result of a motor vehicle violation(s) of title 31 may be collected against the motorist</u>
- 6 responsible for the violation by the state, any municipality or a court, more than seven (7) years
- 7 after the violation fine and/or cost became final and unappealable.
- 8 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 state, municipalities, or courts from attempting to collect any motor vehicle violation fines or costs, after more than seven (7) years of the fine becoming final.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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