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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

Introduced By: Senators Mack, Acosta, Zurier, Ujifusa, Euer, McKenney, LaMountain,
Bissaillon, and Dimitri

Date Introduced: March 06, 2025

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

(Dept. of Corrections)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-3 of the General Laws entitled "Vital Records" is hereby amended

2 by adding thereto the following section:

3 **23-3-25.2. Incarcerated persons' exemption for fees for copies and searches.**

4 Any incarcerated person who is set to be released from prison to re-enter the community

5 shall be processed without a charge or fee when making a first request for vital statistics at the

6 department of health regarding a request for their own personal records.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would provide an exemption for certain incarcerated persons from the payment of
- 2 fees for a first request for vital statistics from the department of health.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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