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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

A N A C T

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- RIGHT-OF-WAY

Introduced By: Representatives Read, Noret, Hopkins, J. Brien, and Corvese

Date Introduced: February 11, 2026

Referred To: House Judiciary

(Judiciary)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-17-5.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-17 entitled "Right-Of-
2 Way" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-17-5.1. Penalties.**

4 Any person who violates any provision of §§ 31-17-1 — 31-17-5, pertaining to the right-
5 of-way of pedestrians, upon conviction, shall be ~~sentenced to pay a fine of not more than seventy-~~
6 ~~five (\$75.00)~~ subject to the fines enumerated in § 31.41.1-4.

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

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would amend the general law relative to right-of-way of pedestrians to reference
- 2 the schedule of violations for the adjudication of traffic offenses contained in § 31.41.1-4.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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