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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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

Introduced By: Senator E Morgan

Date Introduced: February 06, 2026

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 **31-41.1-4.1. Limitation on collection of motor vehicle violation fines.**
4 Notwithstanding any general law, rule or regulation to the contrary, no fines and/or costs
5 assessed as a result of a motor vehicle violation(s) of title 31 may be collected against the motorist
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
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- 1 This act would prohibit the state, municipalities, or courts from attempting to collect any
2 motor vehicle violation fines or costs, after more than seven (7) years of the fine becoming final.
3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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