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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- SINGLE-USE PLASTIC STRAWS

Introduced By: Senators Dimitri, Famiglietti, Tikoian, Britto, Thompson, and Patalano

Date Introduced: February 27, 2026

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Section 21-27.2-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 21-27.2 entitled "Single-
- 2 Use Plastic Straws" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3           **21-27.2-2. Prohibited practices exception.**
- 4           A food service establishment shall not provide a single-use plastic straw to a consumer
- 5 unless requested or [directly taken](#) by the consumer.
- 6           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would allow customers to directly take single-use plastic straws from food service  
2 establishments.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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