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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

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RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY

Introduced By: Representatives Solomon, Donovan, Cortvriend, Ruggiero, and Abney

Date Introduced: January 22, 2021

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 24-12 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Turnpike and
2 Bridge Authority" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **24-12-60. Safety barrier on bridges.**

4 The department of transportation, in conjunction with the Rhode Island turnpike and bridge
5 authority, are hereby directed to erect a safety barrier and/or safety netting on the Mount Hope
6 Bridge, the Claiborne Pell Bridge, and the Jamestown Verrazzano Bridge. The safety barrier or
7 netting shall be in place no later than January 1, 2023.

8 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 provide that the department of transportation, in conjunction with the Rhode
2 Island turnpike and bridge authority, would erect a safety barrier or safety netting on the Mount
3 Hope Bridge, the Claiborne Pell Bridge, and the Jamestown Verrazzano Bridge. The safety barrier
4 or netting would be erected on or before January 1, 2023.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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